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## Circular 2010/005

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### ISM and ISPS – Flagstate procedures

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To whom it may concern,

The purpose of this circular is to inform ship owners and recognized organizations of a change concerning the Safety Management Certificate (SMC) and the International Ship Security Certificate (ISSC).

In addition to BMI circular 2005/003 and BMI circular 2005/004 BMI states that it will be up to the BMI to decide who will carry out the intermediate audits in regard of SMC and/or ISSC. This can be by BMI or by the recognized (security) organization.

In that regard the ship owner should always inform BMI of any planned SMC or ISSC audit at least 14 days in advance. This can be done through the BMI specific email address: [ism-isps@mobilif.gov.be](mailto:ism-isps@mobilif.gov.be).

Starting from 1 April 2011, intermediate audits in regard of SMC or ISSC are to be carried out by BMI only.

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