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Port State Control Annual Report

Foreword

This Annual Report on Port State Control (PSC) summarizes deficiencies identified during PSC inspections carried out in various countries around the world. This report is prepared with the objective of building awareness of the present state of PSC and thereby improving future onboard maintenance and inspections as well as Safety Management Systems.
The report consists of the following chapters.

Chapter 1: Measures adopted by ClassNK
Chapter 2: Statistical Analysis of Detained Ships Registered with ClassNK
Appendix: Sample photos of typical deficiencies

Port State Control (PSC) plays a vital role in eliminating substandard ships and ensuring maritime safety and the protection of the marine environment. In recent years, PSC implementation frameworks and inspection functions have been further strengthened in line with ongoing amendments to international conventions. In addition, regional Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) on PSC have promoted enhanced information sharing and greater harmonization of inspection standards and procedures.

Furthermore, following the application of the ISM Code to all ships, the scope of PSC inspections has expanded beyond ship structure and equipment to include operational and maintenance practices. In addition, with the increasing diversity of applicable regulations, the scope of inspections continues to broaden year by year.

In light of these developments, ClassNK will continue striving to enhance the transparency of PSC-related information and further promote efforts aimed at reducing the number of substandard ships.

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Chapter 1

Measures Adopted by ClassNK

1.1 Cooperative Assistance with PSC and Treatment of Deficiencies

When the Society is notified by a port State of deficiencies identified on a ship classed with ClassNK, the Society takes the following actions:

- Where deficiencies related to class and/or statutory matters are identified during a PSC inspection, the Society confirms with the PSCO whether attendance by a surveyor is required.
- In cases where there are questions regarding the interpretation of applicable class or statutory requirements, or where clarification is requested by the PSCO, the Society provides explanations based on relevant IACS interpretations and/or the Society's views.
- Upon request from the PSCO, the Society provides relevant information including the results of previous class and statutory surveys, as well as the status of any outstanding conditions.
- When a surveyor attends a ship in connection with PSC deficiencies, the attendance is not limited to the reported deficiencies. Taking into account the severity of the deficiencies, the scope of examination is expanded to cover the hull, machinery and equipment, and, where appropriate, a general examination equivalent to an Annual Survey is carried out.

1.2 Treatment of PSC Inspection Reports

When a surveyor receives a copy of a PSC inspection report, it is forwarded to the Head Office, where the relevant department reviews and analyzes its contents. The knowledge and findings obtained through this process are utilized to enhance the quality of the Society's survey and audit services.

Furthermore, where the review indicates that deficiencies identified by PSC are related to previous surveys conducted by the Society's surveyors, appropriate corrective and preventive actions are implemented in accordance with the Society's quality management system.

Chapter 2

Statistical Analysis of Detained Ships Registered with ClassNK

2.1 General

The data in this chapter on ships detained due to deficiencies identified during PSC inspections is based on the following sources:

(1) Notifications issued from Port States in accordance with IMO Resolution A.1185(33) “Procedures for Port State Control” and
(2) Public Information related to detained ships issued by the Tokyo MOU, the Paris MOU, and the USCG.

2.2 Data on Detentions

2.2.1 Detentions per Ship Type

Table 2.2.1 Detentions per Ship Type

Ship Type	Number of Registered Ships (500GT or over)			Number of Detentions			Detention Ratio (%)		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Bulk Carrier	4,046	4138	4238	270	236	268	6.7	5.7	6.3
General Cargo	713	740	763	43	56	65	6.0	7.6	8.5
Container Carrier	677	701	708	28	20	27	4.1	2.9	3.8
Chip Carrier	142	141	140	6	7	2	4.2	5.0	1.4
Cement Carrier	128	124	124	1	1	0	0.8	0.8	0.0
Ro-Ro Ship	100	100	106	3	2	1	3.0	2.0	0.9
Vehicles Carrier	295	297	304	11	7	6	3.7	2.4	2.0
Reefer Carrier	106	108	110	3	9	12	2.8	8.3	10.9
Oil/Chemical Tanker	1,374	1352	1350	45	29	33	3.3	2.1	2.4
Gas Carrier	406	406	405	9	12	11	2.2	3.0	2.7
Others	661	653	700	0	2	0	0.0	0.3	0.0
Total	8,648	8,760	8,948	419	381	425			

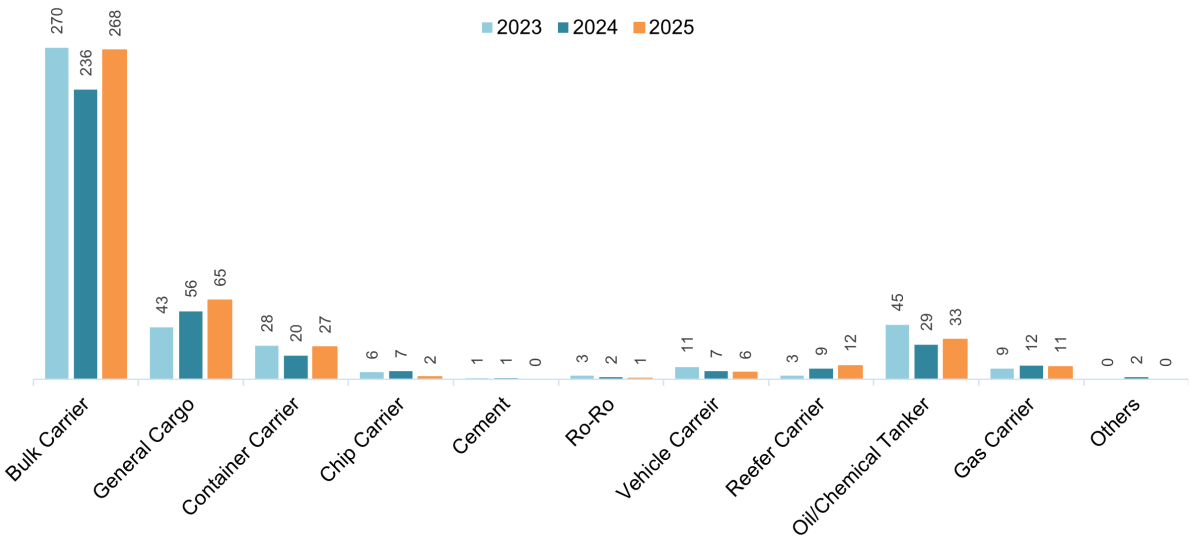


Fig. 2.2.1-1 No. of Detentions per Ship Type

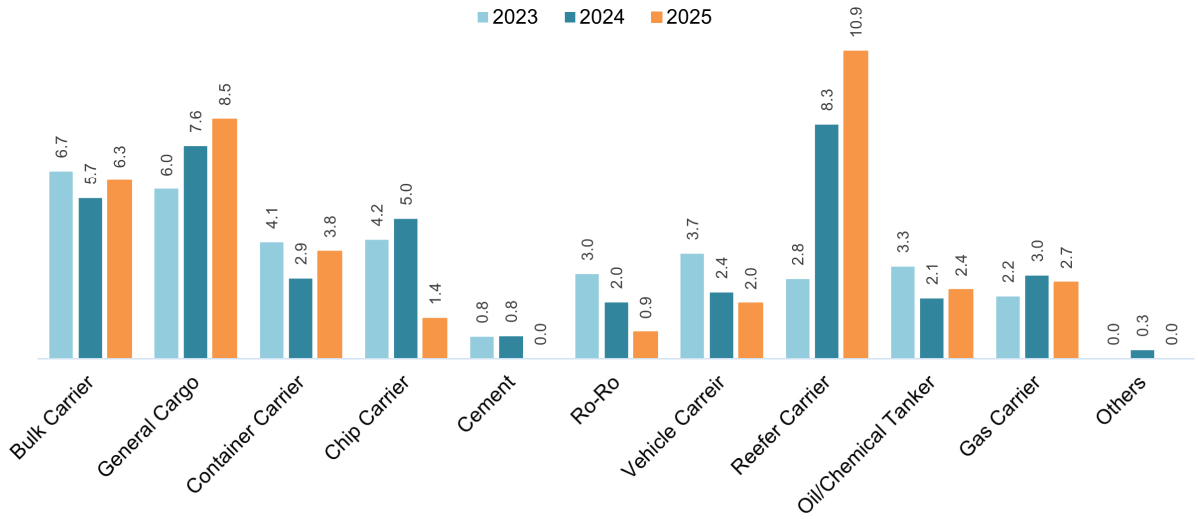
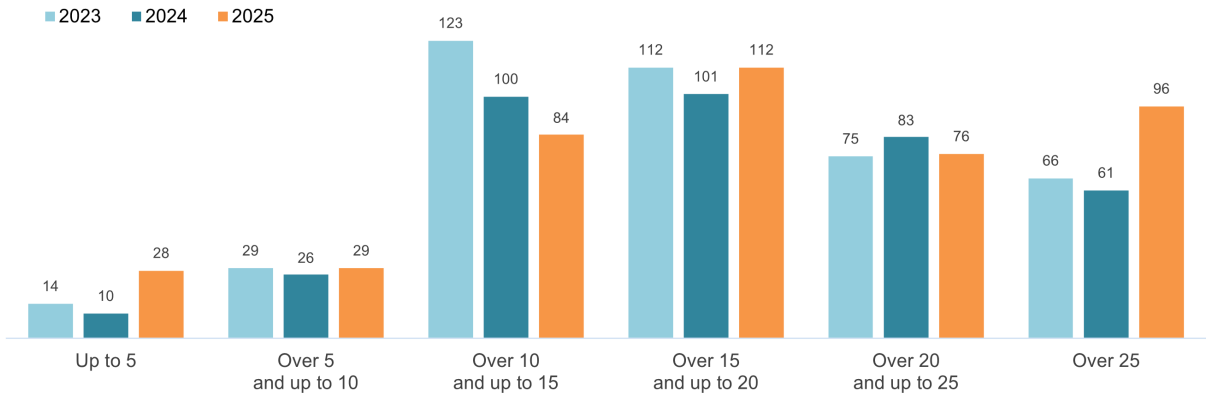


Fig. 2.2.1-2 Detention Ratio per Ship Type (%)

2.2.2 Detentions per Ship Age

Table 2.2.2 Detentions per Ship Age

Ship's Age	Number of Registered Ships (500GT or over)			Number of Detentions			Detention Ratio (%)		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Up to 5 years old	1,655	1,981	1,965	14	10	28	0.7	0.5	1.4
Over 5 and up to 10	1,816	1,771	1,694	29	26	29	1.6	1.5	1.7
Over 10 and up to 15	2,313	2,275	2,250	123	100	84	5.4	4.4	3.7
Over 15 and up to 20	1,576	1,535	1,760	112	101	112	7.3	6.6	6.4
Over 20 and up to 25	679	643	686	75	83	76	11.7	12.9	11.1
Over 25	609	555	593	66	61	96	11.9	11.0	16.2
Total	8,648	8,760	8,948	419	381	425			



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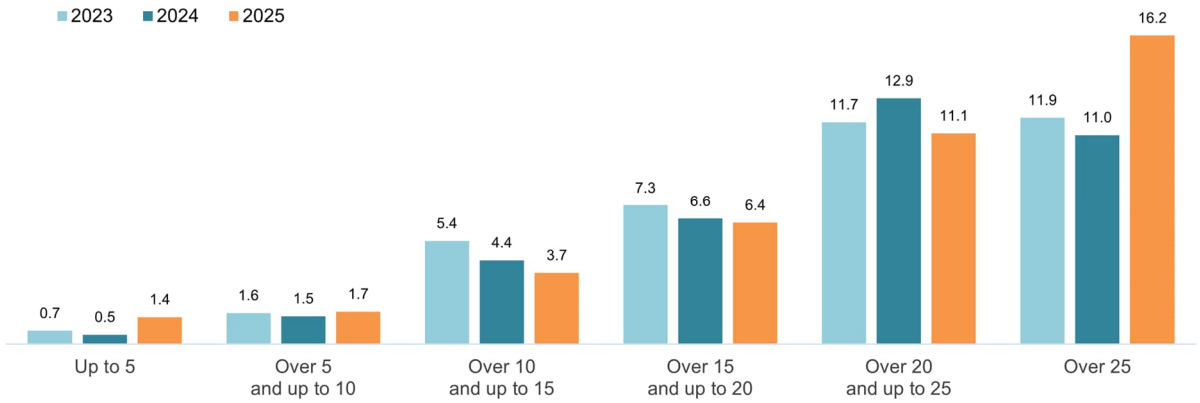


Fig. 2.2.2-2 Detention Ratio per Ship Age (%)

2.2.3 Detentions per PSC Authority

Table 2.2.3 No. of Detentions per PSC Authority

Country	2023	2024	2025
CHINA	175	116	139
AUSTRALIA	54	42	44
TURKIYE	4	7	32
RUSSIA	23	34	28
CANADA	13	18	21
ITALY	22	22	17
JAPAN	6	12	14
INDONESIA	13	6	11
UNITED KINGDOM	7	9	11
UNITED STATES (*)	12	7	11
KOREA	6	5	10
SINGAPORE	9	5	8
BELGIUM	8	4	7
GERMANY	5	7	7
INDIA	6	9	5
Others	56	78	60
Total	419	381	425

(*) Including Guam, Puerto Rico, and Pago Pago

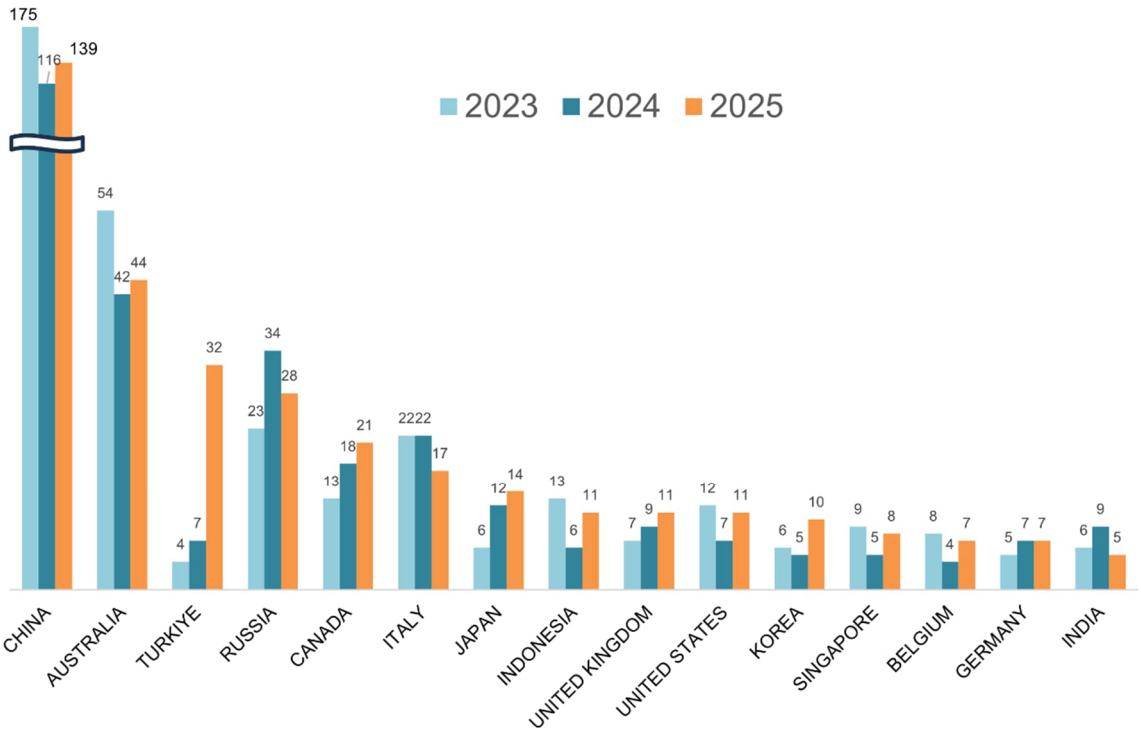


Fig. 2.2.3 No. of Detentions per PSC Authority

2.2.4 Detentions per Tokyo, Paris MOUs and USCG

Table 2.2.4 No. of Detentions per Tokyo, Paris MOUs and USCG

Region	No. of Inspections			No. of Detentions			Detentions Percentage		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Tokyo MOU (*)	8,610	8,536	9,219	281	214	249	3.26	2.51	2.70
Paris MOU (*)	2,238	2,302	2,305	79	92	91	3.53	4.00	3.95
USCG	2,097	2,090	2,156	12	7	11	0.57	0.33	0.51
Total(*)	12,945	12,928	13,680	372	313	351	2.87	2.42	2.57

(*) : There are overlapping detention cases between Tokyo MOU and Paris MOU (west coast of Canada).

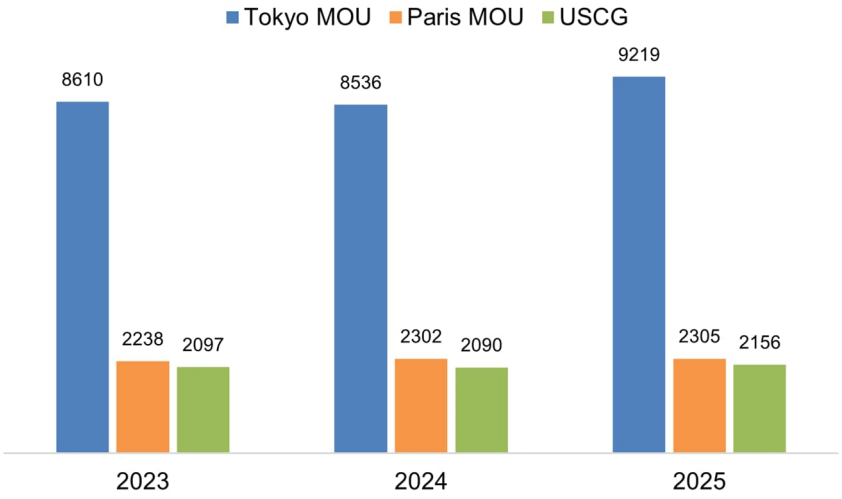


Fig. 2.2.4-1 No. of Inspections per Tokyo, Paris MOUs and USCG

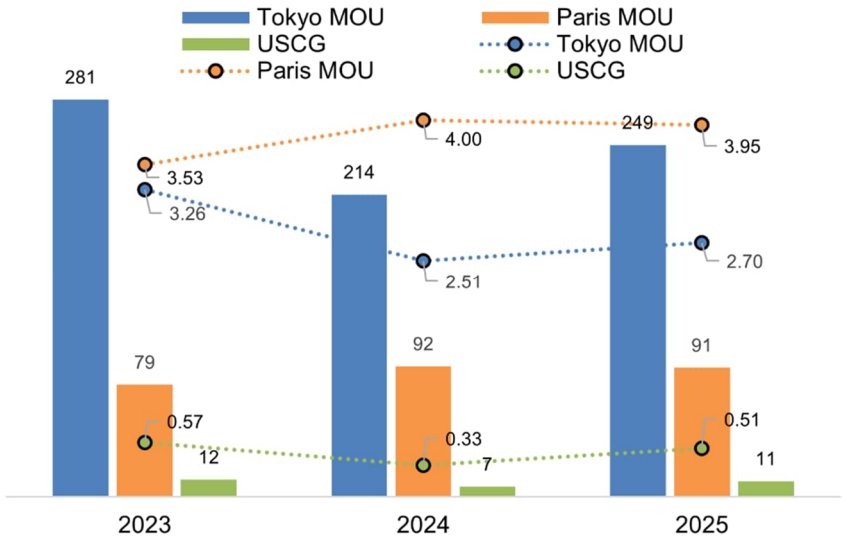


Fig. 2.2.4-2 No. of Detentions and Detention ratio per Tokyo, Paris MOUs and USCG

2.3 Analysis of Detainable Deficiencies

2.3.1 Number of Detainable Deficiencies per Category

In 2025, a total of 1,752 detainable deficiencies were reported in conjunction with 425 detentions. The deficiencies are categorized as shown in Figure 2.3.1 and categories in this figure are based on those of the Tokyo MOU.

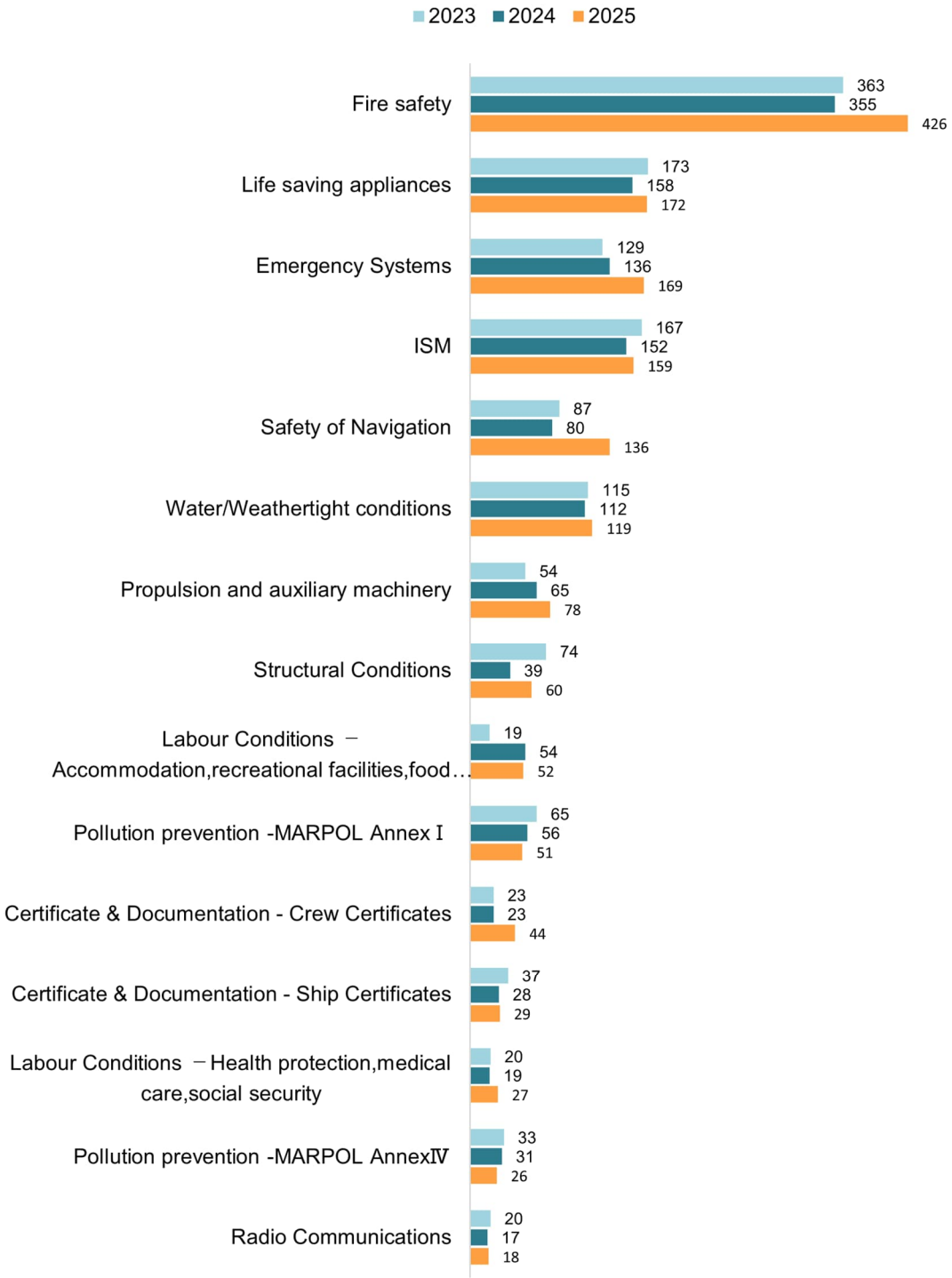


Fig. 2.3.1 No. of Detainable Deficiencies per Category

2.3.2 Number of Detainable Deficiencies per Defective item

Figure 2.3.2 shows those items of detainable deficiencies that were reported frequently, in conjunction with the actual detention of ships in the NK fleet.

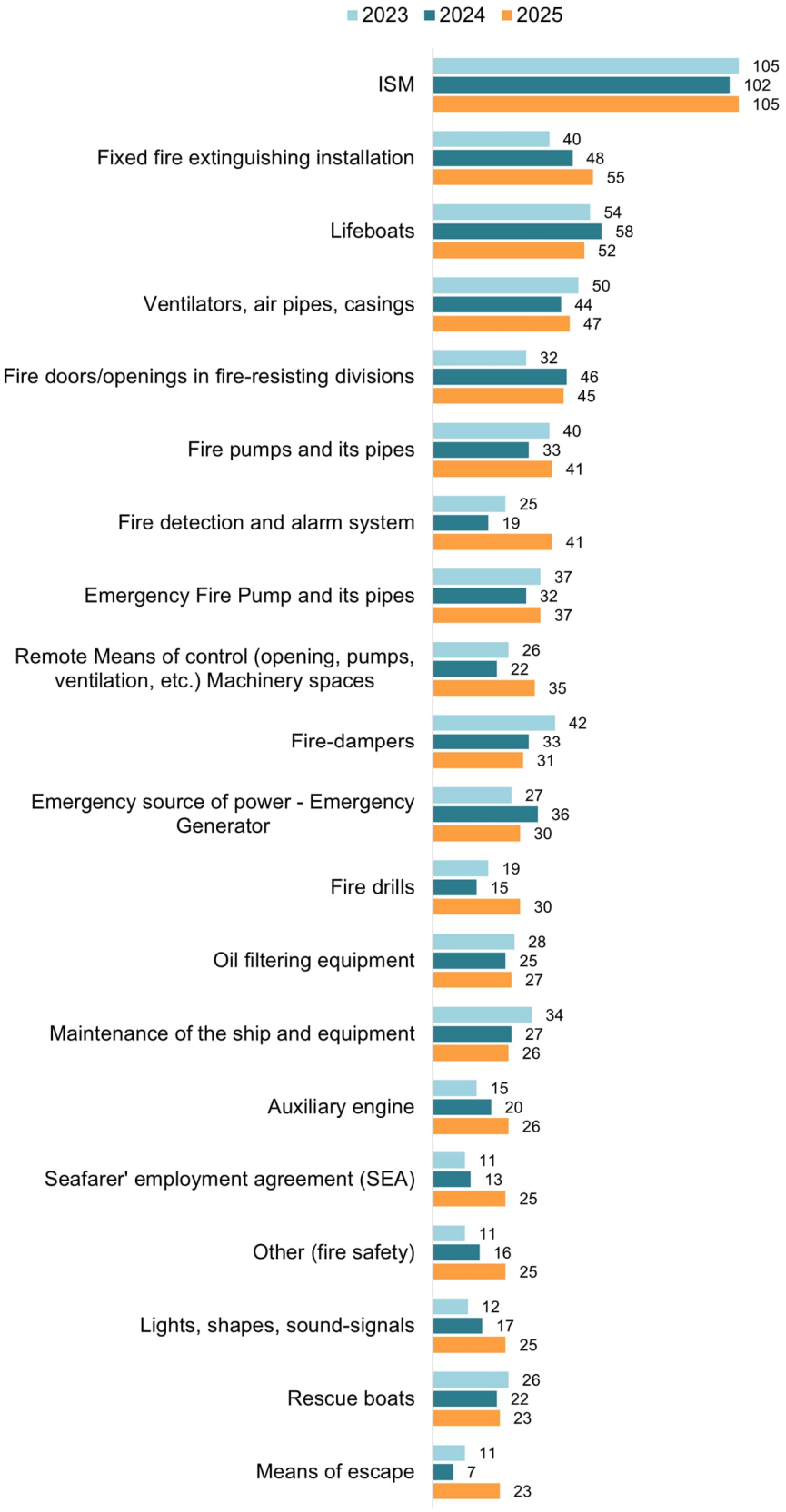


Fig. 2.3.2 No. of Detainable Deficiencies per Defective item

2.3.3 Frequently Reported Deficiencies per Category

The deficiencies per category reported from 2023 to 2025 are explained in detail in (1) to (9).

(1) Fire Safety

Major types and details of deficiencies noted under the category of "Fire Safety" are shown in Table 2.3.3-(1) below.

Table 2.3.3-(1) Fire Safety

Item	2023	2024	2025	Noted Deficiencies
Fixed fire extinguishing Installation	40	48	55	Worn/corroded/holed piping line, Malfunction
Fire doors/openings in fire-resisting divisions	32	46	45	Unable to close properly (by self-closing device), Fitting of hold-back system, Unable to lock with latch
Fire detection and alarm system	25	19	41	Malfunction of fire detector, control panel displaying abnormal reading
Fire pumps and its pipes	40	33	41	Malfunction of fire pump (incl. for emergency), Insufficient pressure, Worn/holed/leaking in fire main line, Malfunction of isolation valves
Remote Means of control (opening, pumps, ventilation, etc.) Machinery spaces	26	22	35	Failure of quick closing valve, Defective closure for ventilation of engine room
Fire-dampers	42	33	31	Worn, Unable to close properly

(2) Life Saving Appliances

Major types and details of deficiencies noted under the category of "Life Saving Appliances" are shown in Table 2.3.3-(2) below.

Table 2.3.3-(2) Life Saving Appliances

Item	2023	2024	2025	Noted Deficiencies
Lifeboats	54	58	52	Unable to start engine, Poor maintenance of rechargeable batteries, Inoperable on-load release gears
Rescue boats	26	22	23	Unable to start engine, Poor maintenance of rechargeable batteries
Launching arrangements for survival craft	19	21	22	Inoperable, Corrosion/damage, Installation of obstructions, Defective wires for remote control means
Embarkation arrangement survival craft	17	9	12	Poor condition of embarkation ladder, Embarkation lights broken/burned out, Installation of obstructions
Launching arrangements for rescue boats	16	9	10	Inoperable, Poor maintenance, Inadequate pressure of hydraulic accumulator
On board training and instructions	3	2	7	Unfamiliarity with operation

(3) Emergency Systems

Major types and details of deficiencies noted under the category of “Emergency Systems” are shown in Table 2.3.3-(3) below.

Table 2.3.3-(3) Emergency Systems

Item	2023	2024	2025	Noted Deficiencies
Emergency fire pump and its pipes	37	32	37	Inoperable Insufficient discharge pressure
Fire drills	19	15	30	Unfamiliarity with operation/procedure/assigned duty
Emergency source of power - emergency generator	27	36	30	Unable to start (including secondary means of starting), Unable to automatically connect to emergency switchboard
Emergency lighting, batteries and switches	11	8	16	Weak/abnormal batteries, Inoperative/worn/damaged emergency lights
Crew familiarisation with Emergency Systems	4	10	15	Unfamiliarity with operation
Abandon ship drills	9	9	12	Unfamiliarity with tasks, operation/procedure/assigned duty

(4) MARPOL (All)

Major types and details of deficiencies noted under the category of “MARPOL” are shown in the Table 2.3.3-(4) below.

Table 2.3.3-(4) MARPOL (All)

Item	2023	2024	2025	Noted Deficiencies
Oil filtering equipment (Annex I)	28	25	27	Unfamiliarity with operation, Malfunction
Sewage treatment plant (Annex IV)	25	24	20	Malfunction, Defective instruments, Corrosion of plant case
Incinerator including operations and operating manual (Annex VI)	0	9	12	Inoperable, Malfunction of interlock
15ppm alarm arrangement (Annex I)	17	18	8	3-way valves/alarm malfunction, Sampling line stuck, Unfamiliarity with operation

(5) Water/Weathertight Conditions

Major types and details of deficiencies noted under the category of "Water/Weathertight conditions" are shown in Table 2.3.3-(5) below.

Table 2.3.3-(5) Water/Weathertight conditions

Item	2023	2024	2025	Noted Deficiencies
Ventilators, air pipes, casings	50	44	47	Corroded/seized flaps/covers of ventilators and air pipe head float
Hatch covers Cargo and other hatchways	31	36	36	Worn/corroded/holed, Worn/missing cleats, Oil leakage from hydraulic oil system, Worn/missing rubber packing
Doors	10	8	12	Corroded/worn, Not properly closed, Worn/missing rubber packing

(6) Safety of Navigation

Major types and details of deficiencies noted under the category of "Safety of Navigation" are shown in Table 2.3.3-(6) below.

Table 2.3.3-(6) Safety of Navigation

Item	2023	2024	2025	Noted Deficiencies
Lights, shapes, sound-signals	12	17	25	Navigation lights damaged (glass cracked, cover worn, etc.)
Voyage data recorder (VDR / S-VDR)	13	12	17	Malfunction
Charts	8	6	14	Not up to date, Navigation charts for engaged/intended voyage unavailable
Voyage or passage plan	4	2	12	Local conditions/information not available onboard, not confirmed with ECDIS, chart missing
Nautical publications	6	6	10	Not up to date, Necessary publications unavailable
Electronic charts (ECDIS)	9	4	9	Malfunction, ENC not updated

(7) Structural Conditions

Major types and details of deficiencies noted under the category of "Structural Conditions" are shown in Table 2.3.3-(7) below.

Table 2.3.3-(7) Structural Conditions

Item	2023	2024	2025	Noted Deficiencies
Closing devices/watertight doors	8	6	10	Watertight doors leakage, Packing deteriorated
Ballast, fuel and other tanks	4	5	8	Inoperable/malfunctioning valves fitted in tanks
Decks - corrosion	1	4	6	Heavy corrosion, Hole
Enhanced survey programme (ESP)	2	3	5	Deficiencies and missing information in ESP-related documentation

(8) Propulsion and Auxiliary Machinery

Major types and details of deficiencies noted under the category of "Propulsion and Auxiliary Machinery" are shown in Table 2.3.3-(8) below.

Table 2.3.3-(8) Propulsion and auxiliary machinery

Item	2023	2024	2025	Noted Deficiencies
Auxiliary engine	15	20	26	Inoperable auxiliary engines, oil leakage
Propulsion main engine	19	22	22	Oil/cooling water leakage, Defective instruments
Other (machinery)	3	10	18	Leakage from pipes, Inoperable/malfunctioning valves

(9) Crew Certificate

Major types and details of deficiencies noted under the category of "Crew Certificate" are shown in Table 2.3.3-(9) below.

Table 2.3.3-(9) Crew Certificates

Item	2023	2024	2025	Noted Deficiencies
Seafarers' employment agreement (SEA)	11	13	25	Contract expired, Unsuitable contract, Continuously employed on board for long period, Inappropriate/unpaid wages
Manning specified by the minimum safe manning doc	1	1	4	Number and qualification not in accordance with the safe manning document
Medical certificate	3	1	4	Expired Not available onboard
Certificates for master and officers	3	3	3	Not available onboard Unsuitable certificate

2.4 Analysis of Detainable Deficiencies per PSC Authority

The most frequent detainable deficiencies per PSC Authority are shown in Tables 2.4.1 to 2.4.7 according to the number of detentions reported from 2023 to 2025.

2.4.1 China

Table 2.4.1 China

Category of Detainable Deficiency	2023	2024	2025
Fire safety	162	133	163
Water/Weathertight conditions	69	54	54
Life saving appliances	81	35	51
Emergency Systems	46	27	32
Safety Navigation	19	19	20
ISM	38	21	17

Defective Items	2023	2024	2025
Fixed fire extinguishing installation	22	26	31
Ventilators, air pipes, casings	31	25	23
Lifeboats	28	16	21
Fire pumps and its pipes	20	15	18
Remote Means of control (opening, pumps, ventilation, etc.) Machinery spaces	18	11	18
Other (fire safety)	8	10	17
Fire prevention structural integrity	10	11	16
Covers (hatchway-, portable-, tarpaulins, etc.)	17	11	13
Lights, shapes, sound-signals	4	8	12
Oil filtering equipment	20	15	12

A total of 458 detainable deficiencies for 129 detained ships were reported in 2025.
(3.6 detainable deficiencies/detained ships)

2.4.2 Australia

Table 2.4.2 Australia

Category of Detainable Deficiency	2023	2024	2025
Water/Weathertight conditions	7	8	14
ISM	21	17	14
Life saving appliances	5	11	9
Fire safety	12	9	7
Emergency Systems	4	8	5
Pollution prevention -MARPOL Annex I	8	5	3

Defective Items	2023	2024	2025
Ventilators, air pipes, casings	4	2	7
ISM	13	6	7
Operational readiness of lifesaving appliances	3	0	5
Fire pumps and its pipes	3	0	4
Covers (hatchway-, portable-, tarpaulins, etc.)	2	2	3
Emergency Fire Pump and its pipes	3	0	3
Fire-dampers	6	6	3
Shipboard operations	2	5	3
Scuppers, inlets and discharges	3	0	2
Emergency source of power - Emergency Generator	5	6	2
Lifeboats	4	5	2

A total of 59 detainable deficiencies for 44 detained ships were reported in 2025.
(1.3 detainable deficiencies/detained ships)

2.4.3 Italy

Table 2.4.3 Italy

Category of Detainable Deficiency	2023	2024	2025
Fire safety	45	44	32
Life saving appliances	14	16	20
ISM	20	20	15
Emergency Systems	21	21	14
Structural Conditions	9	8	12

Defective Items	2023	2024	2025
ISM	20	20	15
Fire doors/openings in fire-resisting divisions	5	11	7
Fixed fire extinguishing installation	3	6	6
Fire drills	3	6	5
Rescue boats	2	1	5
Remote Means of control (opening, pumps, ventilation, etc.) Machinery spaces	2	4	4
Sanitary facilities	3	5	4

A total of 146 detainable deficiencies for 17 detained ships were reported in 2025.
(8.6 detainable deficiencies/detained ships)

2.4.4 Indonesia

Table 2.4.4 Indonesia

Category of Detainable Deficiency	2023	2024	2025
Certificate & Documentation - Crew Certificates	0	3	12
Life saving appliances	7	2	6
ISM	6	4	5
Certificate & Documentation - Ship Certificates	0	0	5
Fire safety	5	1	5

Defective Items	2023	2024	2025
Seafarer' employment agreement (SEA)	0	3	10
On board training and instructions	0	0	3
Sewage treatment plant	2	5	3
International Air Pollution Certificate	0	0	2
Medical certificate	0	0	2
Rescue boats	0	1	2

A total of 46 detainable deficiencies for 11 detained ships were reported in 2025.
(4.2 detainable deficiencies/detained ships)

2.4.5 Canada

Table 2.4.5 Canada

Category of Detainable Deficiency	2023	2024	2025
Emergency Systems	4	9	26
ISM	9	11	18
Life saving appliances	10	7	13
Propulsion and auxiliary machinery	5	2	10
Fire safety	4	2	8

Defective Items	2023	2024	2025
ISM	9	11	18
Crew familiarisation with Emergency Systems	0	0	8
Emergency towing arrangements and procedures	0	0	7
Other (machinery)	1	0	6
Emergency Fire Pump and its pipes	2	6	5
Oil filtering equipment	1	2	5

A total of 123 detainable deficiencies for 21 detained ships were reported in 2025.
(5.9 detainable deficiencies/detained ships)

2.4.6 United States

Table 2.4.6 United States(*)

Category of Detainable Deficiency	2023	2024	2025
ISM	8	7	10
Fire safety	4	7	5
Cargo operations including equipment	0	0	4
Safety of Navigation	0	0	3
Structural Conditions	2	1	2

Defective Items	2023	2024	2025
Cargo operation	0	0	4
Maintenance of the ship and equipment	6	5	4
Masters responsibility and authority	0	0	2
Shipboard operations	0	0	2
Safety Management Certificate (SMC/ISM)	1	0	1

(*): Including Guam, Puerto Rico

A total of 32 detainable deficiencies for 10 detained ships were reported in 2025.
(3.2 detainable deficiencies/detained ships)

2.4.7 Belgium

Table 2.4.7 Belgium

Category of Detainable Deficiency	2023	2024	2025
Fire safety	19	10	12
Emergency Systems	9	5	9
Life saving appliances	7	12	6
Propulsion and auxiliary machinery	7	1	5
Labour Conditions －Accommodation, recreational facilities, food and catering	2	0	5

Defective Items	2023	2024	2025
Bilge pumping arrangements	6	1	4
ISM	8	4	4
Fire drills	0	0	3
Remote Means of control (opening, pumps, ventilation, etc.) Machinery spaces	3	1	3
Abandon ship drills	1	1	2
Crew familiarisation with Emergency Systems	2	2	2
Jacketed high pressure lines and oil leakage alarm	1	0	2
Evaluation of Crew Performance (fire drill)	3	1	2
Lights, shapes, sound-signals	3	0	2
Launching arrangements for rescue boats	2	2	2

A total of 51 detainable deficiencies for 7 detained ships were reported in 2025.
(7.3 detainable deficiencies/detained ships)

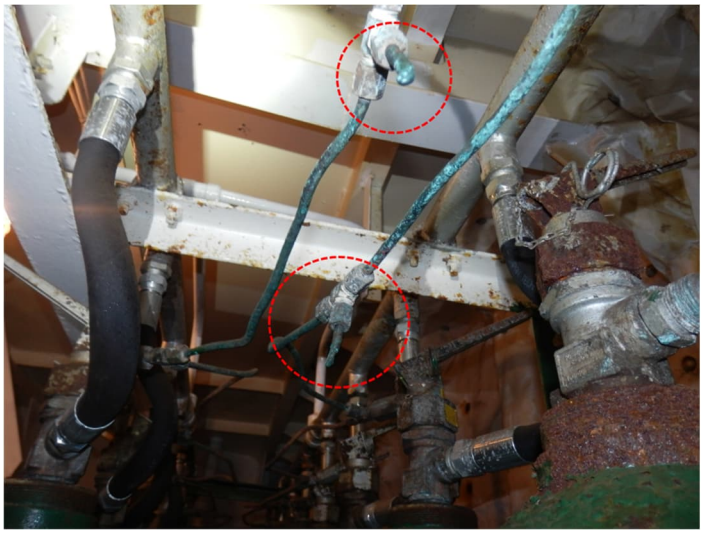
Appendix
Sample photos of typical deficiencies

Note: Sample photos of typical deficiencies are shown below. They consist not only of those found at PSC and class periodical surveys but also of others.

Fire Safety

Corrosion and damage of CO_2 fire extinguishing line

Damage to operating pipes on starting cylinders for CO_2 fixed fire extinguishing system

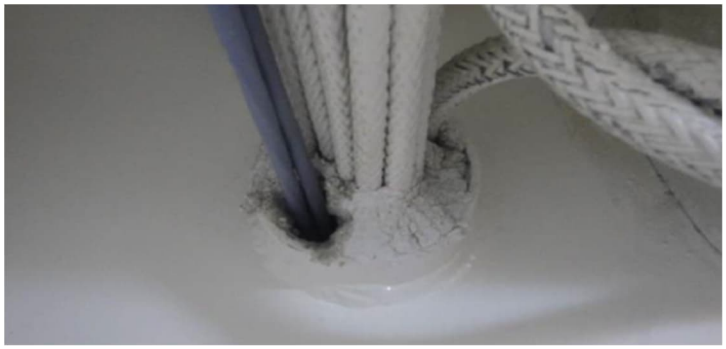


Leakage from Fire Main Line

Fire Safety

Missing A-60 fire insulation

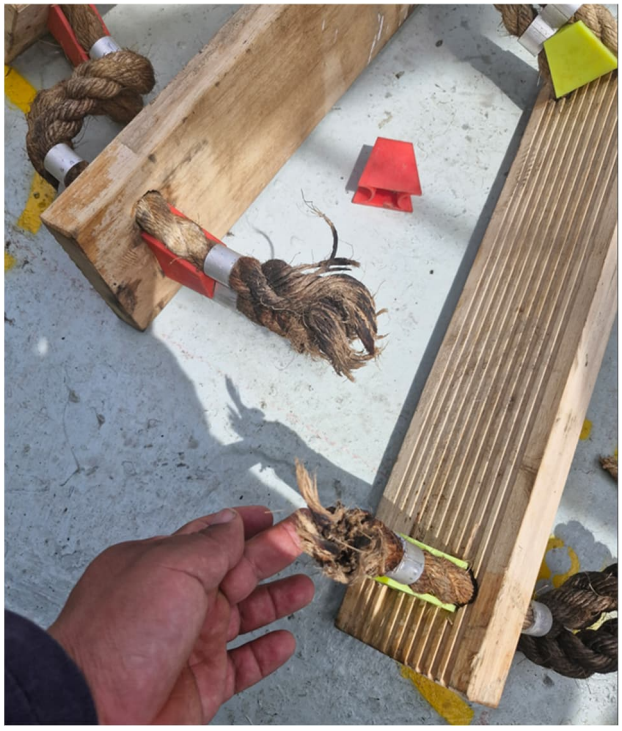
Missing compound at cable penetration (improper modification)



Piping penetration through fire-rated bulkhead (Improper Modification)

Life Saving Appliances

Damage to lifeboat seat belt

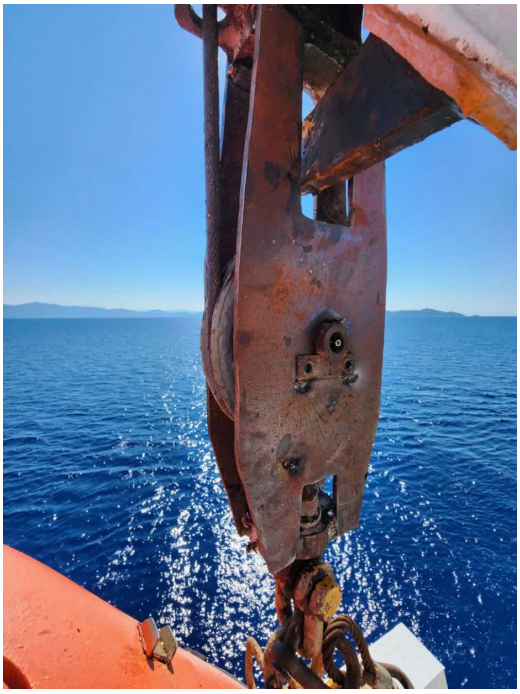


Broken embarkation ladder

Life Saving Appliances

Failure to start rescue boat engine

Damage to lifeboat release cable



Corrosion of lifeboat release mechanism (sheave block)

Load Line / Safety Construction

Corroded air pipe

Corroded/Damaged ventilator

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Partly missing rubber packing of hatch cover

Corroded/Damaged hatch cover

Partly missing handrail at exposed deck

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Corroded/Damaged Weathertight Door

Corrosion of access hatch

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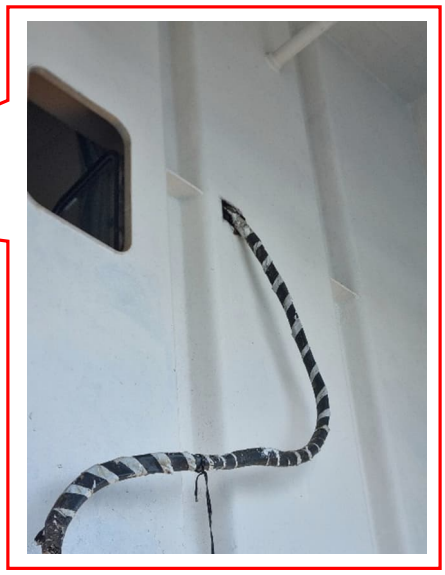

Unauthorized cable installation and penetration through bulkhead

Corrosion of exposed deck with hole formation

Engine Room

Oil leakage and accumulation on engine in engine room

Oil leakage and accumulation on machinery and piping in engine room

Improper piping connection to sewage treatment unit (Improper Modification)

Others

Inappropriate management/storage of garbage

Leakage of hydraulic oil piping

Others

Discolored water from sanitary facilities

Corroded/Damaged Stairs

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Trend analysis

Using AI, it is possible to analyze trends in typical deficiencies, defective items and categories for each country/port. You can also check and graph actual deficiencies recorded by the PSC classified into each typical deficiency.

Checklist

Output pinpoint PSC checklists based on the PSC's past records of selected ports or countries. In addition, any checklists and report forms created on PC that are stipulated in the Safety Management Manual are automatically linked to the mobile app of the managed ships for convenient use on mobile devices.

Tie-up

Communicate with land staff in chat format regarding PSC reports and malfunctioning equipment using the mobile app. In addition, by utilizing the task status management function, it is possible to prevent oversights in task responses.

Summary report

Output a summary report of your fleet that summarizes PSC performance, defective items and frequently identified deficiencies, including trends in deficiencies found in frequently visited countries and ports.

KPI

Set your own KPIs and ship groups in order to monitor, measure and evaluate them.

More features are available free of charge to enhance PSC performance and assist in ship management.
For further details please refer to: https://www.classnk.or.jp/hp/en/activities/portal/psc-intelligence.html

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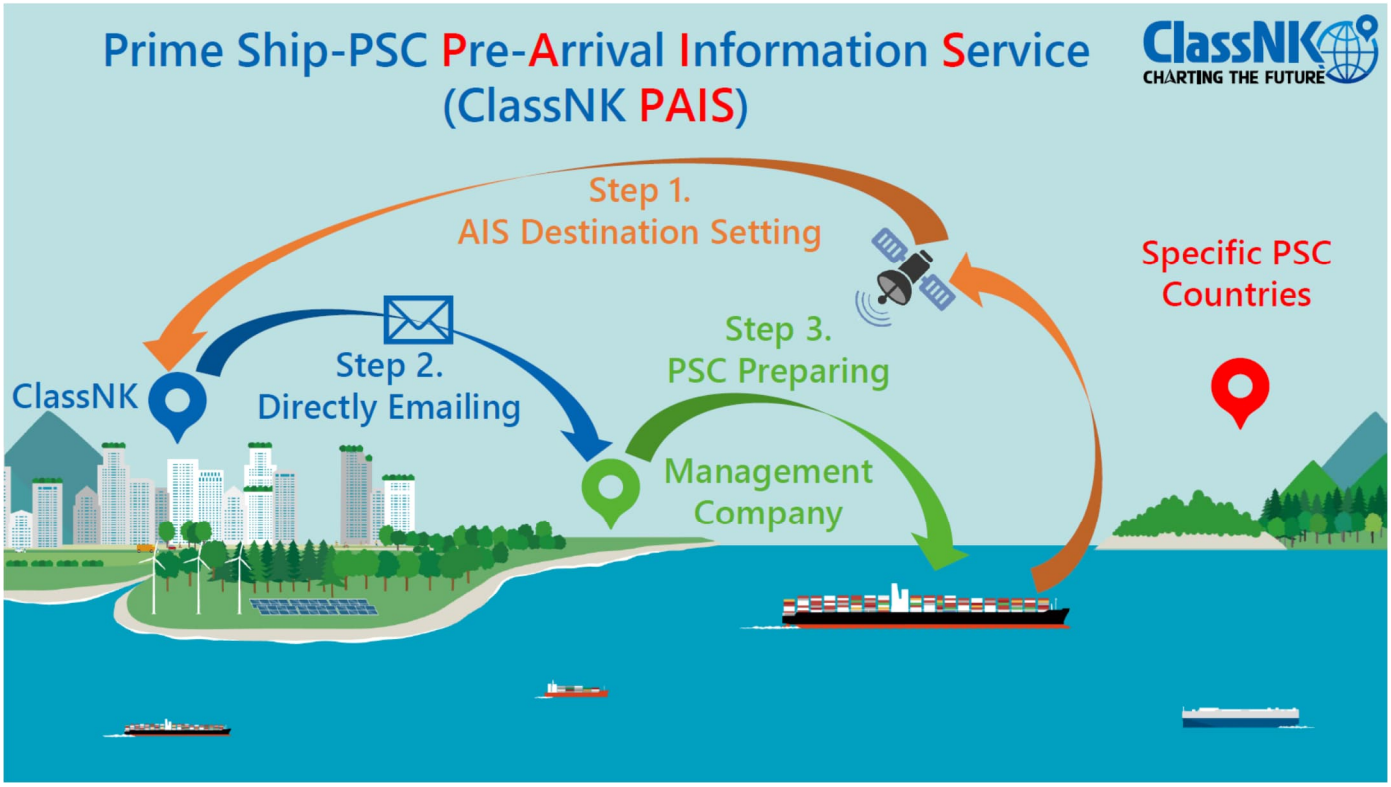

In order to support the safe operation of vessels and compliance with applicable regulations, ClassNK has launched a new information service for PSC preparedness, “ClassNK PAIS (PrimeShip-PSC Pre-Arrival Information Service).”

Based on vessel AIS information, this service provides advance email notifications when a vessel is identified as calling at a port in a specified country or region. The notifications include information on PSC inspection items that are frequently reported or increasingly identified in the relevant area.

The notifications contain checklists of major deficiency items as well as information on past PSC trends, which can be utilized for pre-arrival self-inspections and preparation.

Target countries and regions are selected based on factors such as detention rates and are reviewed and updated periodically. By utilizing this service, customers can strengthen their PSC preparedness and reduce PSC-related risks.

For further details please refer to: https://www.classnk.or.jp/hp/pdf/info_service/psc/PSC_FAQ_E.pdf

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