## Subject

Special requirements for means of recharging breathing apparatus cylinders and spare cylinders regarding Bahamas flagged vessels



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To whom it may concern

With regard to the additional requirements for relevant equipment of fire-fighter's outfit, it has been notified by the Technical Information (No.: TEC-0990, Date: 24 June 2014) for existing ships (ships which are constructed (keel-laid) before 1 July 2014) and by Amendments to Part R of the RULES FOR THE SURVEY AND CONSTRUCTION OF STEEL SHIP on 26 February 2014 for new ships (ships which are constructed (keel-laid) on or after 1 July 2014).

The Bahamian Administration has issued special requirements for means of recharging breathing apparatus cylinders and spare cylinders as follows.

- 1. Bahamas Government strongly recommends that all ships carry an on board means of recharging breathing apparatus cylinders.
- 2. For ships where an on board means of recharging is not provided, the company shall establish how many spare cylinders are required for training purposes, taking into account the number of drills carried out, availability of recharging facilities, ship's schedule, etc.
- 3. In this case, a minimum of one cylinder is to be provided for each fire suit, according to the Muster List, but not less than two cylinders in total.

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