

Merchant Marine Circular

Panama Maritime Authority
General Directorate of Merchant Marine
Control and Compliance Department

MERCHANT MARINE CIRCULAR MMC-306

- To:** Ship-owners/Operators, Company Security Officers and Private Security Companies, Legal Representatives of Panama Flagged Vessels, Panamanian Merchant Marine Consulates and Recognized Organizations (ROs).
- Subject:** Security Personnel and Weapons listed by Private Maritime Security Companies (PMSC).
- Reference:** Resolution No. 106-13-DGMM of March 8th, 2012.
Resolution No. 106-74-DGMM of September 15th, 2016.
Resolution JD No. 038-2014 of November 12th, 2014.
Resolution No. 106-85-DGMM of November 22th, 2010.

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1. This Circular has the purpose to inform all the Maritime Security Companies (PMSC) authorized by this Administration the decision to revoke the payment of USD10.00 dollars for Recognition for a term of two (2) years for each person listed by a Private Maritime Security Companies (PMSC) authorized.
 2. For this purpose, all the Maritime Security Companies (PMSC) authorized by this Administration does not need to complete and return the Security Personnel List format.
 3. The total amount paid so far by all the Maritime Security Companies (PMSC) Recognition for each person listed and approved by this Administration, will be credited for the next annual fee.
 4. All the Private Security Companies (PMSC) must keep an updated list at the Maritime Ships Security Department involving any change whether on personnel or inventory of weapons (replacements, exclusions or inclusions of personnel or weapons). In case of any change related to security personnel, the list must include: name, nationality and passport number of the security personnel.



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In case of any change related to weapons, the list should include: type, manufacturer, caliber, serial number and category.

5. Starting from the December 15th 2021, all Private Maritime Security Companies should send the UPDATED INFORMATION (ISO, Third party insurance, personnel and weapons list) through the following website link: <https://certificates.amp.gob.pa/certificates/FrmAnualReport.aspx>
6. The Private Security Companies (PMSC) authorized by this Administration shall ensure that the security personnel incorporate into the company and assigned to be on board the Panamanian flagged vessel, meets the requirements on paragraph 5 article 4 of Resolution No. 106-13-DGMM dated March 8, 2012 and additional requirements listed on Resolution No.106-85-DGMM dated December 17, 2014.

April, 2023 – CANCELLED. This circular is superseded and compiled by the circular MMC-245.

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December, 2021 – Inclusion of paragraph 5.

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