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INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GUIDE FOR SEAFARERS AND FISHERMEN

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1. The purpose of this notice is to communicate to all users of the Panamanian registry that the International Medical Guide for Seafarers and Fishermen, drafted by the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS) in conjunction with the International Transport Workers Federation (ITF) and the International Maritime Health Association (IMHA), has recently been published.
2. The International Medical Guide for Seafarers and Fishermen was designed for non-medical professionals working at sea to provide more practical and up-to-date guidance for handling medical emergencies on board, covering all injuries and ailments that need urgent treatment, and is accompanied by a new first-aid kit guide containing the latest globally available medicines and equipment to be carried on board ships to improve the welfare of seafarers on board.
3. The Panama Maritime Authority recommends including the International Medical Guide for Seafarers and Fishermen on the list of publications approved on board Panamanian-flagged vessels to complement the latest edition of the ILO/IMO International Medical Guide on Board Guide. WHO and the IMO First Aid Guide for use in case of accidents related to dangerous goods, in compliance with article 163 of Executive Decree No. 086 of February 22, 2013, by means of which the Convention on the Maritime Work, 2006, modified by Executive Decree No. 160 of March 3, 2021.

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