

Merchant Marine Circular

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

MERCHANT MARINE CIRCULAR MMC-373

To: Ship-owners/Operators, Company Security Officers, Legal Representatives of Panamanian Flagged Vessels, Panamanian Merchant Marine Consulates, Recognized Organizations (RO), Regional Offices, Manning Agencies, Nautical Inspectors, Shipping Companies, Recognized Trainings Organizations.

Subject: Global Maritime Safety Inspection Platform Implementation (GMSIPI).

Reference: Law N° 57 General Merchant Marine of August 6, 2008.

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this Merchant Marine Circular is to officially communicate that on August 1st, 2018, the use of the new Global Maritime Safety Inspection Platform (GMSIPI) was implemented.

2. Scope

- **2.1** That Law No. 57 of August 6, 2008, in its Article 187, which modifies Article 30, paragraph 25 of Decree Law No. 7 of February 10, 1998, establishes as a function of the General Directorate of Merchant Marine, " To execute the functions of the Flag State and enforce on Panamanian and foreign registered vessels in jurisdictional waters the national legal standards and those that are part of the current international conventions ratified by the Republic of Panama, referring to maritime safety, navigational safety, maritime protection and the prevention and control of pollution at sea, as well as the international guidelines and codes related to the Flag State."
- **3.** This platform is an essential tool for the issuance of inspection requests for our registry vessels. The flag inspectors will perform the inspections of our vessels in a digital manner (eliminating the use of paper) and integrate them in real time to the platform.

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- 4. In addition, the platform has a component that allows Shipowners or Operators to register within the platform for the purpose of keeping track of the safety inspections done on their vessels, monitoring deficiencies found during the inspection and coordinating their inspections. That is why through this circular we formally invite you to register on this platform. It is important to note that on first instance, you must register as a guest and then you will be required to register as an operator.
- 5. The procedure to register in the platform is as follows:
- I. Login into the following web site <u>https://amp.digitaledge.net</u>.
- II. Press the button to start session (Up to the right hand side)
- III. Below the password field you will find the option to register. Do not have an account? Sign up
- IV. The operators must fill in the requested fields (Email, password, confirm password) (If the email already exists in the platform, the system will notify that the account cannot be created)
- 6. The procedure to reset the password in the platform is as follows:
- I. Login into the following web site <u>https://amp.digitaledge.net</u>.
- **II.** Press the button to start section (Up to the right hand side).
- **III.** Below the password field you will find the option to reset the password. Did you forget your password? **Restart.**
- IV. The operator must fill in the requested field (Email).
- V. The user will receive an email with the link to reset the password.
- 7. The procedure to request the role of operator in the platform is as follows:
- I. Login into the following web site <u>https://amp.digitaledge.net</u>.
- **II.** Press the button to start session (Up to the right hand side).
- **III.** After entering the username and password in the platform, select the **Join us** option.
- **IV.** Select the operator option and complete the required fields and send it for approval. (Name, surname, gender, family status, city, etc ...)
- **8.** After having a username in the platform, an email must be sent from the email used to register in the platform with the list of vessels under its administration and the respective documents that support such information.

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