



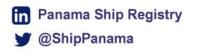
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PARIS MOU, PSCIRCULAR 104 - RESIDUAL COVID-19 ISSUES TO BALLAST WATER MANAGEMENT (BWM)

No: MMN-10/2023

- 1. The purpose of this Merchant Marine Notice is to communicate to Shipowners/Operators, Legal Representative of Panamanian Flag Vessels; Authorized Recognized Organizations (ROs), the content of the Paris MoU PSCircular 104, issued on November 22, 2023.
- **2.** The above mentioned circular makes reference to effects related to Ballast Water Management due to the Covid-19 pandemic, faced by PSCO during the inspections.
- **3.** Therefore, policies are clearly established in the way the PSCO in the Paris MOU will proceed in cases where the flag state authorize vessels to continue using standard D-1 beyond the D-2 standard applicable compliance date.
- 4. For further reference, please find <u>here</u> the PSCircular 104 by the Paris MOU.
- **5.** This Administration encourage Ship-owners /Operators, Legal Representative of Panamanian Flag Vessel; Panama Merchant Marine Recognized Organizations (ROs), to increase awareness of this marine notice and the compliance date to install the BWTS.
- **6.** We remind you to bear in mind the Panama Policy related to the Ballast Water Management Convention, 2004 and its amendments informed through our MMC-345.

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