



**REPUBLIC OF  
THE MARSHALL ISLANDS**

**MARITIME ADMINISTRATOR**

**Marine Guideline**

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**TO: ALL SHIPOWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS AND OFFICERS OF  
MERCHANT SHIPS, AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS**

**SUBJECT: Organizations Acting on Behalf of the Republic of the Marshall Islands  
Maritime Administrator**

**PURPOSE:**

This Marine Guideline provides a comprehensive listing of organizations authorized under written agreement to act on behalf of the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Maritime Administrator (the "Administrator") as Recognized Organizations (ROs), Recognized Security Organizations (RSOs), Aviation Inspection Bodies (AIBs), and Appointed Representatives (ARs)

**APPLICABILITY:**

This Guideline applies to all RMI flag vessels.

**GUIDANCE:**

**1.0 Definitions**

**1.1 Appointed Representative (AR)**

An AR is an Administrator appointed agent or representative for the statutory survey of unclassed yachts for the issuance of statutory certificates; initial, annual and renewal surveys and Compliance Verifications; and other services.

**1.2 Aviation Inspection Bodies (AIB)**

AIBs are entities recognized by the Administrator for the verification and certification of helicopter landing areas (HLAs).

**1.3 Classification Society or Class**

A Classification Society is an organization that establishes and applies technical standards in relation to the design, construction and survey of marine vessels.

## 1.4 Recognized Organization (RO)

An RO is an entity delegated authority with respect to statutory certification and services; and 1) if a Classification Society, has been assessed by the Administrator and found to comply with the Code for Recognized Organizations (RO Code); or 2) if an AR, has been assessed by the Administrator and found to substantially comply with the RO Code.

ROs, among other things, are authorized to verify compliance with the International Safety Management (ISM) Code and issue ISM Code Documents of Compliance and Safety Management Certificates on behalf of the Administrator.

## 1.5 Recognized Security Organization (RSO)

An RSO is an organization with appropriate expertise in security matters, and with appropriate knowledge of ship and port operations, authorized to carry out assessment, verification, approval, or certification of activity required by SOLAS Chapter XI-2 or by Part A and certain elements of Part B, as made mandatory by the Administrator, of the International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code. (See Marine Notice [2-011-16](#)). Only those Classification Societies that have been specifically designated by the Administrator in writing may act as an RSO on RMI flagged vessels.

RSOs assist in the implementation and continued enforcement of the ISPS Code. Their duties include review and approval of the Ship Security Plans (SSP) or of amendments to a previously approved plan, carrying out verification audits of the SSP aboard ships, and issuing International Ship Security Certificate (ISSC) to ships found in compliance with the ISPS Code.

Vessel owners are reminded that the ISPS Code strictly prohibits RSOs from undertaking review and approval of SSP and its amendments for a specific ship if the selected RSO had been involved in either the preparation of the Ship Security Assessment (SSA) or of the Ship SSP and/or amendments under review.

## 2.0 Classification Societies

2.1 The following Classification Societies, with one exception as noted, have been authorized as both ROs and RSOs and may provide services to all RMI flagged vessels.

ORGANIZATION	ADDRESS	CONTACT	TEL/FAX/EMAIL
AMERICAN BUREAU OF SHIPPING (ABS)	ABS Europe 1, Sachtouri Street & Posidonos Ave. Kallithea 176 74 GREECE	Capt. Steve Blair, Division Manager, MSC	Tel: +30-210-9441240 Mobile: +30-6937-086711 Email: <a href="mailto:msc-eur@eagle.org">msc-eur@eagle.org</a> or <a href="mailto:sblair@eagle.org">sblair@eagle.org</a>
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	ABS Greater China 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Silver Tower, No. 85 Taoyuan Road Huangpu District, Shanghai 200021 P.R. China	Mr. Suvendra Bagchi, Division Manager, MSC	Tel: +86-21-2327-0748 Mobile: +86-185-0178-5533 Email: <a href="mailto:msc-china@eagle.org">msc-china@eagle.org</a> or <a href="mailto:sbagchi@eagle.org">sbagchi@eagle.org</a>
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HELLENIC REGISTER OF SHIPPING (HRS) <sup>1</sup>	23 Akti Miaouli 185 35 Piraeus GREECE	Mr. Konstantinos Chiou, Managing Director	Tel: +30 210 4221 900 Fax: +30 210 4221 914 Email: <a href="mailto:hrrs@hrrs.gr">hrrs@hrrs.gr</a>
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1 HRS is currently limited to providing survey and audit functions for yachts only. HRS is not authorized as an RSO.

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	RINA Hong Kong Ltd. Unit 1703, 17 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Tai Yau Building, 181 Johnston Road Wanchai HONG KONG	Mr. AARONS Leander Basil Vivek, Hong Kong Marine Manager	Tel: +86 21 32260911 Mobile: +86 15901669236 Email: <a href="mailto:Leander.Aarons@rina.org">Leander.Aarons@rina.org</a> , with cc to <a href="mailto:Administrations@rina.org">Administrations@rina.org</a>
	RINA USA, Inc. 922 N Alder Street Tacoma,, Washington 98406	Ches King, Business Development Manager	Tel: +1-253-503-1150 Mobile: +1-206-495-2862 Fax: +1-253-503-1150 Email: <a href="mailto:ches.king@rina.org">ches.king@rina.org</a> with cc to <a href="mailto:Administrations@rina.org">Administrations@rina.org</a>
RUSSIAN MARITIME REGISTER OF SHIPPING (RS)	8. Dvortsovaya Naberezhnaya 191186, St. Petersburg RUSSIAN FEDERATION	Mr. Alexander R. Putraim, Head of Marine Management Systems Division	Tel: +7 812 380 19 55 Fax: +7 812 380 19 58 Email: <a href="mailto:ism.dept@rs-class.org">ism.dept@rs-class.org</a>

## 2.2 Yachts

The Classification Societies listed in 2.1, above, are recognized by the Administrator to carry out certain survey and audit functions for yachts.

### .1 Class Surveyor

- (a) An exclusive surveyor appointed by a Classification Society to conduct a survey on the yacht, shall be considered as acting on behalf of the Administrator when performing flag State functions
- (b) When a Class surveyor is so appointed, the Classification Society shall provide the appointed surveyor with detailed guidance and instruction on the scope of survey and report required.

## 3.0 Aviation Inspection Bodies (AIBs)

3.1 The AIBs listed below are recognized by the Administrator to verify and certify HLAs.

The Squadron ( <a href="http://www.the-squadron.com">www.the-squadron.com</a> )
HeliOps ( <a href="http://www.helioperations.co.uk">www.helioperations.co.uk</a> )

## 4.0 Appointed Representatives (ARs)

4.1 The following entities are limited to providing services to commercial and private yachts of any size. They are also authorized as RSOs.

ORGANIZATION	ADDRESS	CONTACT	TEL/FAX
AZURE NAVAL ARCHITECTS	Wilhelminastraat 43A 2011 VK Haarlem THE NETHERLANDS	Mr. Erik Spek, Managing Partner	Tel: +31 6 141 06 103 Fax: +31 (0)23 547 17 60 Email: <a href="mailto:erik.spek@azure-na.com">erik.spek@azure-na.com</a>
MARK ROBINSON MARITIME CONSULTANTS (MRMC)	12 Romney Place Maidstone, Kent ME15 6LE UNITED KINGDOM	Mr. Mark Robinson	Tel: +44 (0) 7714 251 321 Email: <a href="mailto:mark@mrmc.co">mark@mrmc.co</a>
REGS4SHIPS LTD.	Digital House Kemps Quay Quayside Road Southampton, SO18 1AD UNITED KINGDOM	Mr. Andy Langford, Senior Surveyor	Tel: +44 (0) 23 8098 8631 Mobile: +44 (0) 7595 068 735 Fax: +44 (0) 23 8022 8029 Email: <a href="mailto:survey@regs4yachts.com">survey@regs4yachts.com</a> or <a href="mailto:andy.langford@regs4yachts.com">andy.langford@regs4yachts.com</a>
UNITED MARITIME SURVEY (UMS)	1845 Cordova Road Suite 202 Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33316	Mr. Will Nock, Senior Surveyor	Tel: +1-954-630-8775 Fax: +1-954-337-0345 Email: <a href="mailto:survey@umssurvey.com">survey@umssurvey.com</a>

- 4.2 Classification of the hull, machinery, or equipment of a yacht by an AR is not recognized by the Administrator.
- 4.3 ARs are recognized to perform initial, annual, and renewal Compliance Verifications for any commercial yacht, passenger yacht (PAXY), private yacht limited charter (PYLC), or private yacht with intent to obtain a temporary certificate of registry for a yacht engaged in trade (YET) and issue the relevant short-term Compliance Certificate and Compliance Verification and endorsement.
- 4.4 The statutory international convention certificates for classed yachts are to be issued by the yacht's Classification Society. However, the certification for ISM/ISPS and Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC, 2006) may be carried out by an AR or Classification Society on any size classed or unclassed yacht, as applicable.

## 5.0 Contact Information

- 5.1 Vessel owners are encouraged to contact the Classification Society, AR or AIB, as appropriate, in the lists above. The Administrator is also available to answer questions and maintains the following points of contact:
- [technical@register-iri.com](mailto:technical@register-iri.com) – for ALL inquiries pertaining to any type of technical matter, statutory compliance or survey issue;
  - [yachttec@register-iri.com](mailto:yachttec@register-iri.com) – for ALL inquiries pertaining to any type of technical matter with regards to yachts.
  - ISM Code: [regulatoryaffairs@register-iri.com](mailto:regulatoryaffairs@register-iri.com)
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