

Commonwealth of Dominica**Office of the Maritime Administrator**

TO: ALL SHIPOWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS AND OFFICERS OF MERCHANT SHIPS, MOBILE OFFSHORE DRILLING UNITS AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS

SUBJECT: Safety Management Certificates for MODU's

**REFERENCE: (a) Dominica International Maritime Act 2000
(b) SOLAS 74, Chapter IX, Management for the Safe Operation of Ships**

PURPOSE: This Circular clarifies the requirements of the International Safety Management (ISM) for Mobile Offshore Drilling Units (MODU'S)

APPLICABILITY: This Circular applies to the Owners and Operators of MODU's.

REQUIREMENTS:

- 1.0 Only self-propelled mobile offshore drilling units of 500 gross tons or over on an international voyage area required to have a valid Safety Management Certificate and a copy of their company's valid Document of Compliance certificate on board by not later than 1 July 2002.
- 2.0 Owners and Operators of all other MODU's are encouraged to follow the principles and guidelines of the ISM system to the extent practicable.
- 3.0 Owners and Operators of self-propelled MODU's are referred to the guidelines contained in Marine Circular CD-MSC 09-01.
- 4.0 A Safety Management Certificate is issued for a period of not more than 60 months.

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