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**San Marino Small Yacht Safety Code – Application to
yachts in private use**

TO: Recognised Organisations, Shipowners, Managers, Masters, Seafarers, SMSR partners, SMSR brokers, Surveyors, and the general public.

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1	10/02/2022	Alternative safety evaluation measures added	ma

San Marino Small Yacht Safety Code – Application to yachts in private use

1. Introduction

With regard to the application of the San Marino Small Yacht Safety Code, the Administration has established the following:

“Compliance with the Code is also required, as far as practicable and reasonable, on pleasure yachts not engaged in trade (in private use)”.

The requirements set by the Code are strongly recommended for all pleasure yachts in private use below 24 metres in load line length.

The safety and radio equipment tables as defined by the Code are not to be considered mandatory for small pleasure yachts in private use, as defined by the Code.

Authorised surveyors and ROs who have been appointed to carry out safety surveys on private yachts below 24 metres in load line length, are authorised to inspect the safety and radio equipment present on board. If the requirements of the Code are not met, they shall issue a recommendation and include details of all recommendations in the “notes section” of the San Marino Small Yacht Code survey report.

The surveyor/RO may proceed based on their professional judgement with recommending the issuance of a Small Yacht Safety Certificate of Compliance, provided that the below items are surveyed, and recommendations made where necessary:

- i. Watertight and weathertight integrity
- ii. Machinery
- iii. Electrical arrangements
- iv. Stability criteria
- v. Fire safety provisions

2. Alternative safety evaluation measures

The following cases can be reviewed by the Administration as an alternative to carrying out an initial (or renewal) safety inspection to obtain a San Marino Small Yacht Safety Certificate of Compliance:

- i. In the case of new private yachts below 24 m in load line length, in possession of a CE certificate as per Directive 2013/53/EU, issued in the previous 12 months from registration, the inspection carried out to issue the CE certificate may be considered by the Administration as an equivalent to the initial survey to verify compliance with the San Marino Small Yacht Safety Code. In such cases, a copy of the CE certificate shall be submitted to the Administration for review and a San Marino Small Yacht Safety Certificate of Compliance for vessels in private use shall be issued with no initial safety inspection required; or
- ii. The Owner of the private Yacht below 24m in load line length shall provide the Administration with a self-assessment and declaration which attest to the Yacht's seaworthiness and good conditions, as well as the validity of all documentation and statutory certificates. The self-assessment document shall be signed by the Owner and Captain of the vessel. The Owner shall be responsible for the correctness and veracity of the information provided to the Administration in the self-assessment form. Moreover, the Owner shall declare that the Yacht has not suffered any failure and has not been involved in any incident or accident, nor suffered any damage in the 12 months prior to the self-assessment. The Owner shall also provide details of any major repairs and structural conversions in the 12 months prior to the self-assessment.

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