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San Marino Policy Letter

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San Marino Ship Register SMSR

Electronic Certification

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

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The International Maritime Organization (IMO) has agreed that a certificate may be considered as "original" or "authentic" while containing an "authorized" electronically applied signature or stamp. The IMO Facilitation Committee approved circular, FAL.5/Circ.39/Rev.2 - Guidelines for the use of electronic certificates, at its 40th session in April 2016.

Certificates issued directly by the San Marino Maritime Authority are in line with the IMO circular FAL.5/Circ.39/Rev.2 for digital certificates and electronic signatures.

Certificates issued directly by the San Marino Maritime Authority are digital and contain the encryption to verify electronic signature and certificate validity online. They use the internationally recognized Globalsign system for digital signatures.

Section 7 of FAL.5/Circ.39/Rev.2 provides that port State control officers and other stakeholders should accept electronic certificates.

The format and content of the certificates and documents are consistent with the models given in SOLAS, MARPOL, MLC and other relevant conventions.

Each certificate has a unique Document Control Number on the bottom that can be used to verify the certificate's authenticity online at the following link:

https://onlineservices.smsr.sm/certificate_validators

After the selection of the certificate type to check, the Document Control Number must be entered. For some certificates some additional information are required. Upon submission of the query the system will return with the status of the certificate.

The printed versions of San Marino's electronic certificates include, but are not limited to, the following:

Certificate of Registry, Transcripts, Bunker Certificate, CLC Certificate, Removal of Wrecks Certificate, Athens Convention Certificate, ISPS Certificate, Ism Certificate, Safe Manning Document, Yacht Safety Certificate, Ship Radio Station License, International Tonnage Certificate, Exemptions, Dispensations, Permits, DMLC Part 1, MLC Certificate, Financial Security Document.

The certificates and documents may be transmitted by regular surface mail or electronically.

This letter should be kept with the vessel's certificates and documents and made available to interested Port State Control boarding officers, Classification Society surveyors and auditors.

Additional information may be requested to: flagstate@smsr.sm