

REPUBLIC OF PANAMA

Ministry of Finance and Treasury

Office of the Directorate of Merchant Marine Circular No. 22

Consular and Maritime Affairs

To: Shipowners/Operators, Agents and Masters of Merchant Vessels

Subject: - Certificate of Liability for Oil Pollution Damage, 1968 Law 21 of July 9, 1980

- Resolution No. 145 of March 22, 1976

1. Reference is made to the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damages of 1968, which prescribes that all vessels transporting over two thousand (2,000) tons of hydrocarbons as cargo must obtain insurance or other financial guarantee to cover the amount of its limits of liability.
2. Panama flag vessels must comply with the above mentioned and for such purpose must carry on board a Certificate of Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damages which will prove the existence of such insurance or guarantee.
3. The Republic of Panama will accept the certificates issued by contracting governments to the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil pollution Damages in accordance with the terms of such convention.
4. In accordance with Resolution 145, the Directorate General of Consular and Maritime Affairs or the Consulate abroad will issue such certificates for a validity period of one (1) year.

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