
Approved Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) Small Vessel Certifying Authorities

Notice to all Owners, Operators and Skippers of Small Vessels in Commercial Use, Inspection and Certifying Authorities of this Class of Vessel.

*This notice should be read with the small commercial vessel codes and MGN 280.
This notice supersedes MIN 333(M)*

This MIN expires 30 November 2010

Summary

The purpose of this Marine Information Note is to provide the revised contact details of the MCA approved Certifying Authorities undertaking survey and certification work against the standards of the Small Commercial Vessel Codes of Practice or MGN 280 (M).

1. Introduction/ Background

1.1 Certifying Authorities undertake survey and certification work under the Small Commercial Vessel Codes of Practice or MGN 280. The Codes of Practice are as follows:

- The Safety of Small Commercial Sailing Vessels – A Code of Practice (Blue Code)
- The Safety of Small Commercial Motor Vessels – A Code of Practice (Yellow Code)
- The Code of Practice for the Safety of Small Workboats and Pilot Boats (Brown Code)
- The Code of Practice for the Safety of Small Vessels in Commercial use for Sport or Pleasure Operating from a Nominated Departure Point (NDP) (Red Code)

1.2 MGN 280 (M) – Small Vessels in Commercial Use for Sport or Pleasure, Workboats and Pilot Boats – Alternative Construction Standards is available as an equivalent standard to the Small Commercial Vessel Codes of Practice, until the new enabling Statutory Instrument has been completed. Once completed, the new standards will be produced as a Merchant Shipping Notice (MSN) and will supersede the current Small Commercial Vessel Codes listed above.

2. List of Certifying Authorities

2.1 The following is a list of Certifying Authorities authorized through formal agreement to conduct survey and certification of all types of small commercial vessels against the standards of the Small Commercial Vessel Codes or MGN280.

Bureau Veritas
Suite 1
1 Keel House
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Burness Corlett - Three Quays
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Beresford House
Town Quay
Southampton
SO14 2AQ
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Department for Transport
Maritime and Coastguard Agency
Bay 2/22
Spring Place
105 Commercial Road
Southampton
SO15 1EG
Tel: 02380 329213
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Det Norske Veritas
14 Mitchell Point
Ensign Way
Hamble
Southampton
SO31 4RF
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International Institute of Marine Surveying
Administration Office
3 Stone Lane
Gosport
PO12 1SS
Tel: 023 9258 8000
Fax: 023 9258 8002

Lloyd's Register EMEA
5 Town Quay
Southampton
SO14 2PF
Tel: 023 8052 5718
Fax: 023 8052 5736

MECAL Ltd
First Floor Offices
Pearl Assurance House
Duke Street
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Tel: 01822 615500
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RINA UK Ltd
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Portsmouth
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Royal Yachting Association
RYA House
Ensign Way
Hamble
Southampton
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Seafish Industry Authority
Humber Seafood Institute
Origin Way
Euro Parc
Grimsby
North East Lincolnshire
DN37 9TZ
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Fax: 01472 268792

Society of Consulting Marine
Engineers and Ship Surveyors
202 Lambeth Road
London
SE1 7JW
Tel: 020 7261 0869
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Yacht Designers and Surveyors
Association
The Glass Works
3b Penns Road
Petersfield
Hampshire
GU32 2EW
Tel: 01730 710490
Fax: 01730 710423

3. List of NDP Certifying Authorities

3.1 The following is a list of Local Authorities and Harbour Commissioners authorized through formal agreement as NDP Certifying Authorities to conduct survey and certification of small commercial vessels against the standards of The Code of Practice for the Safety of Small Vessels in Commercial use for Sport or Pleasure Operating from a Nominated Departure Point (NDP) or the standards for vessels wishing to operate in area category 5 or 6 within MGN280.

Padstow Harbour Commissioners
Harbour Office
Padstow
Cornwall
PL28 8AQ
Tel: 01841 532239
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Pembrokeshire County Council
County Hall
Haverfordwest
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SA61 1TP
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Fax: 01437 776494

Scarborough Borough Council
Whitby Harbour Office
Endeavour Wharf
Whitby
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Torrige District Council
Environmental Health & Public
Protection,
Licensing Team
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