

Green Passport Declaration

Purpose

The Green Passport Inventory service helps ship owners and operators to document onboard hazardous materials. Such documentation is increasingly requested when ships are sold for recycling, but also by ship yards undertaking repairs and conversions. It makes it possible to take effective measures for reducing the risks posed to workers and the environment during ship recycling.

The Green Passport Inventory is a step forward for ship owners that want to demonstrate responsibility in connection with the ship recycling industry, and will help to reduce the health, safety and environmental risks related to decommissioning of ships. It also helps in managing the health risks posed to onboard crew during the remaining operating life of a ship.

One of the most important parts that The Green Passport requires is the Inventory of Hazardous Materials:

Inventory of Hazardous Materials

The importance of an inventory detailing the type, amount, and location of hazardous materials (asbestos, heavy metals, PCBs, brominated flame retardants, refrigerants, chemical additives, etc.) used in ship construction and operations is increasingly recognized as a means to enhance onboard safety and environmental awareness, both throughout the ship's economic life and at the end of the ship's useful life, when the ship is being prepared for recycling.

For the completion of this inventory shipbuilders will require information regarding the equipment and material from their suppliers:

Equipment and material suppliers

Shipbuilders need to work closely with all their suppliers so all equipment, parts, and materials provided are classified as environmentally safe or specifically itemized on the Inventory. These suppliers should indicate and declare whether or not some substances are present above the threshold level specified.

The approach consists of two declarations, as follows:

- Material Declaration (MD) – A declaration prepared by the suppliers, including the upstream suppliers in the equipment/system supply chain, detailing the specific substances including the system/item, the substance, and amount of substance.
- Supplier's Declaration of Conformity (SDoC) – A declaration by the supplier to confirm conformity of the delivered product and related Material Declaration to the law and compliance with appropriate management/control requirements on the chemical substance contained in the product.

The Green Passport for ships implies Top Cable S.A the realization of these two declarations whenever a shipbuilder demands them.

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