

Port State Control – Information Notice No. 7 of 2010

The purpose of this notice is to advise shipowners, operators, managers and Masters of Isle of Man registered ships of the following;

Qualship 21 Programme

Information for Vessels operating in the United States or within US Waters

The United States Coast Guard (USCG) has today officially recognised the Isle of Man Ship Registry has having qualified for inclusion in the USCG Quality Shipping for the 21st Century (Qualship 21) programme. This is as a result of the Isle of Man's three year detention ratio percentage being below the 1.0% cut-off that is required to qualify for this initiative.

The USCG currently has an assessment underway to identify those vessels from the Isle of Man Ship Registry that will potentially qualify for the Program. Upon the identification of those vessels, the USCG will contact the vessel owners directly to confirm their eligibility. The USCG would hope to have this completed in the next two to three weeks.

I have included further attachments with this information notice which cover the topics of Qualship 21 programme, frequency of examinations, and frequently asked questions on the subject of this USCG initiative

However, further information on the subject of the Qualship 21 initiative please follow the link below to; <http://homeport.uscg.mil/mycg/portal/ep/browse.do?channelId=-18371> and if you are having trouble with this link then just use; <http://homeport.uscg.mil> and follow the Homeport directions to Port State Control, then Foreign Vessel Safety and under Port State Control Topics you can find the Qualship 21 Initiative

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