

Terms of Reference of the **Committee on Healthy and Safe Operation of Passenger and Cargo Ships**

Committee structure

In order to ensure that the views and experiences of the industry contribute to the largest extent possible to developing health and safety on board Danish ships and protection of the external environment, committees have been established under the auspices of the Ships Inspection Council where the two sides of industry are, inter alia, involved in the drafting of proposals for new and amended regulations as well as the practical handling hereof.

At its meeting of 19 April 2005, the Ship Inspection Council agreed to establish the Committee on Healthy and Safe Operation of Passenger Ships and Cargo Ships.

Terms of reference

The Committee is to consider and present recommendations for the Danish Maritime Authority on the following:

- Proposals for regulations, interpretations or issues of a technical nature concerning passenger and cargo ships in areas related to general occupational health conditions, hours of rest and work medical examinations, health care and ship's medicine.
- Proposals for regulations, interpretations or issues of a technical nature concerning passenger and cargo ships in areas related to the operation of ships, the safe operation of ships (ISM) as well as ship security.
- Issues related to the survey practice associated with the above-mentioned areas.
- Proposals for the development of new or changed training programmes.

Furthermore, the Committee is to:

- secure and develop cooperation and networks between the players in the maritime industry.

The Committee refers to the Ships Inspection Council. Issues are to be presented to the Ships Inspection Council only if this is requested by one or more of the Committee members.

Organisation

The Committee is composed of representatives of the organisations that are represented on the Ships Inspection Council. Representatives of other authorities, organisations, unions or associations can attend the meetings of the Committee as observers either on a permanent basis or on an ad-hoc basis.

- The Committee is established with a chairmanship, a number of members and a Secretariat.
- Alternates can be appointed so as to ensure continuity in the work.
- The chairmanship and Secretariat are anchored with the Danish Maritime Authority.
- All correspondence between the Danish Maritime Authority, the Committee and the Secretariat will be by email.