Mandatory Ship Reporting Systems

The complete IMO circular on the GREENPOS/COASTAL CONTROL (IMO SN/Circ. 221 of 29 May 2002) may be found here:

In order to be able to fulfil your obligations according to this mandatory ship reporting system, it is recommended that ship owners make sure, that the ships are equipped with adequate communication facilities when navigation north of latitude 76°N, for example a satellite telephone that has reliable coverage north of 76°N.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE GREENPOS SYSTEM:

1. THERE ARE TWO MANDATORY SHIP CONTROL SYSTEMS IN GREENLAND. ONE IS THE GREENPOS SYSTEM MONITORED BY MRCC GROENNEDAL. THE SECOND IS THE COASTAL CONTROL SYSTEM MONITORED BY THE GREENLAND COAST RADIO STATIONS.

AS OF DECEMBER 1 ST. 2002 THE SYSTEMS BECAME MANDATORY.

THE GREENPOS SYSTEM APPLIES TO ALL SHIPS ON VOYAGE TO AND FROM GREENLANDIC WATERS AND INSIDE THE GREENLANDIC CONTINENTAL SHELF OR EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE. THE SHIPS ARE TO REPORT THEIR POSITION, COURSE, SPEED AND ACTUAL WEATHER INFORMATION EVERY 6TH HOUR.

2. WHEN JOINING THE SYSTEM, THE SHIP MUST SEND A SAILINGPLAN (SP)

WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

GREENPOS – SP
A. SHIP NAME/CALL SIGN
B. DATE AND TIME (151632UTC)
C. PRESENT POSITION
E. COURSE
F. SPEED
I. DESTINATION AND ESTIMATED TIME OF ARRIVAL
L. ROUTE
S. ACTUAL WEATHER AND ICE INFORMATION
X. PERSONS ONBOARD (POB XX)
AFTER JOINING THE SYSTEM THE SHIP MUST SEND A POSITION REPORT (PR) EVERY 6TH HOUR (AT 0000, 0600, 1200, 1800 UTC).

THE PR INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

GREENPOS – PR
A. SHIP NAME/CALL SIGN
B. DATE AND TIME
C. PRESENT POSITION
E. COURSE
F. SPEED
S. ACTUAL WEATHER AND ICE INFORMATIONS

WHEN THE SHIP LEAVES THE REPORTING AREA (GREENLAND EEZ) OR UPON ARRIVAL AT THE GREENLANDIC DESTINATION THE SHIP MUST SEND A FINAL REPORT (FR) INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

GREENPOS – FR
A. SHIPS NAME/CALL SIGN
B. DATE AND TIME GROUP
C. PRESENT POSITION
S. ACTUAL WEATHER AND ICE INFORMATIONS

IF THE SHIP CHANGES DESTINATION OR ALTER ITS ROUTE, THE SHIP MUST SEND A DEVIATION REPORT (DR) INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

GREENPOS – DR
A. SHIPS NAME/CALL SIGN
B. DATE AND TIME
C. PRESENT POSITION
L. SHORT DESCRIPTION OF NEW ROUTE.

5. AS THE SYSTEM IS A PART OF THE SEARCH AND RESCUE ASSISTANCE SYSTEM IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE SHIP REPORTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE.
IF THE SHIP IS MORE THAN 30 MINUTES OVERDUE WITH ITS REPORT, MRCC NUUK IS OBLIGED TO INVESTIGATE THE SHIPS MISSING REPORT.

IF MRCC NUUK IS UNABLE TO ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH THE SHIP, MRCC NUUK WILL INITIATE A SEARCH AND RESCUE MISSION.

6. ALL REPORTS ARE TO BE SENT DIRECTLY TO MRCC NUUK EITHER VIA AASIAAT COAST RADIO STATION, INMARSAT MAIL, FAX, VOICE ECT:

MRCC NUUK NUMBERS:

INMARSAT C: 433 116 710
EMAIL: ako-commcen@mil.dk
PHONE: +299 364023
FAX: +299 364099

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THE COASTAL CONTROL SYSTEM APPLIES TO ALL SHIPS GREATER THAN 20 BT ON VOYAGE TO AND FROM GREENLAND PORTS AND PLACES OF CALL. THE SHIPS ARE TO REPORT THEIR POSITION, COURSE, SPEED AND PERSONS ONBOARD AT LEAST EVERY 24TH HOUR.

WHEN JOINING THE SYSTEM, THE SHIP MUST SEND A SAILING PLAN (SP) WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

TO: COASTAL CONTROL

SP
A. SHIPS NAME AND CALL SIGN
B. DATE AND TIME GROUP UTC (LIKE 151630Z)
D. PRESENT POSITION OR PORT
I. DESTINATION AND DATE AND TIME OF ARRIVAL
L. ROUTE
X. NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BOARD
AFTER JOINING THE SYSTEM, THE SHIP MUST SEND POSITION REPORTS (PR) EVERY 24TH HOUR. THE POSITION REPORT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

TO: COASTAL CONTROL

PR
A. SHIPS NAME AND CALL SIGN
B. DATE AND TIME GROUP UTC
D. POSITION INDICATED AS GEOGRAFICAL NAME OR PLACE
E. COURSE
F. SPEED

DEVIATION REPORT MUST BE SENT IF THERE ARE CHANGES TO INFORMATION GIVEN IN SAILING PLAN (SP). A DEVIATION REPORT SHALL ALSO BE SENT IF THE PREVIOUS GIVEN TIME OF ARRIVAL IS OVERDUE WITH MORE THAN ONE HOUR:

TO: COASTAL CONTROL

DR
A. SHIPS NAME AND CALL SIGN
B. DATE AND TIME GROUP UTC
C. POSITION INDICATED AS GEOGRAFICAL NAME OR PLACE
L. INTENTIONS OR CAUSE OF DEVIATION

FINAL REPORTS (FR) MUST BE SENT IMMEDIATELY UPON ARRIVAL:

TO: COASTAL CONTROL

FR
A. SHIPS NAME AND CALL SIGN
B. DATE AND TIME GROUP UTC
D. POSITION INDICATED AS GEOGRAFICAL NAME OR PLACE

AS THE SYSTEM IS A PART OF THE SEARCH AND RESCUE ASSISTANT SYSTEM IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE SHIP REPORTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE.

IF THE SHIP IS MORE THAN 30 MINUTES OVERDUE WITH ITS REPORT, THE COASTAL RADIO STATION IS OBLIGED TO INVESTIGATE THE SHIPS MISSING
REPORT. IF THE COASTAL RADIO STATION IS UNABLE TO ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH THE SHIP, A SEARCH AND RESCUE MISSION WILL BE INITIATED VIA THE POLICE OR MRCC NUUK.

ALL REPORTS IN THE COASTAL CONTROL SYSTEM ARE TO BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE COASTAL RADIO STATION EITHER VIA RADIO, INMARSAT MAIL, FAX, VOICE ECT.

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