



Merchant Marine **Notice**

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General Directorate of Merchant Marine
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AMSA FOCUSED INSPECTION CAMPAIGN—LIVESTOCK SHIPS

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1. The purpose of this Marine Notice is to provide information to ship owners, operators and masters about the Focused Inspection Campaign (FIC) on livestock ships which will run from March 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021; initiated by AMSA and specific to Australia. The FIC will only be carried out on vessels that Australia has approved to carry livestock under [Marine Order 43](#).
2. The purpose of this AMSA FIC is to:
 - determine the level of compliance with the maintenance and repair requirements of international conventions, and
 - ensure masters and officers are complying with specific requirements of Marine Order 43 for ships that hold an Australian Certificate for the Carriage of Livestock, including voyage planning, determining the ship's stability, and that accurate values are used for the livestock cargo carried.
3. AMSA inspectors will undertake the FIC in conjunction with a normal port State control (PSC) inspections. Any PSC deficiencies will be reported to regional PSC databases. However, deficiencies that relate only to Marine Order 43 will be recorded separately, in accordance with normal AMSA processes, and will not be reported to regional PSC databases.
4. AMSA surveyors will use a [checklist](#) when they conduct this FIC. There are two parts to this FIC checklist. The first part relates to Marine Order 43 specific requirements. These are Australia's national requirements. Any deficiencies found that relate directly to Marine Order 43 will be recorded on the record of the inspection form (SV-CC). The second part of the FIC relates to International Convention requirements. Any deficiencies will be recorded as part of normal port State control practices.



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5. Every livestock ship that carries livestock as a cargo from Australia, will be subject to one FIC inspection during this campaign. The duration of the campaign allows for each livestock ship that holds a current ACCL to be inspected once during this campaign.
6. Our Administration encourages ship owners, operators and masters to review the information provided on this Marine Notice.

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