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## Shipping Guidance Notice 093a – Marine Equipment: Design, Construction, Performance and Testing Standards

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To: Ship Owners, Operators, Master's, Classification Societies and Recognised Organisations

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### 1. Introduction

The International Maritime Organization (IMO) International Conventions require flag States to ensure that certain types of safety and pollution prevention equipment (collectively “marine equipment”) carried on board ships flying their flag comply with international design, construction, performance and testing standards and to ensure such equipment is approved as meeting those standards.

### 2. Approval Standards

In accordance with the IMO Conventions, Gibraltar ships must carry marine equipment which has been approved to the applicable international standards.

Gibraltar ships may place on board either:

- a) Marine equipment holding UK conformity approval granted by one or more UK Approved Bodies, bearing the UK conformity mark for marine equipment and otherwise compliant with the Regulations; or;
- b) Marine equipment holding Marine Equipment Directive (MED) conformity approval granted by one or more EEA Notified Bodies, bearing the MED conformity mark and otherwise compliant with the MED; or;
- c) Approved by a recognised third country and accompanied by such declarations and marks of conformity (if any) as the GMA may specify.

The Administration will decide on the acceptance on any equipment, which is not subject to one of the above approvals, on a case by case basis.

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