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**APPLICATION:**

Type of ships: **All ships navigating on international voyages to be subjected to Riyadh MoU inspections (all ships entering ports in Saudi Arabia, Emirates, Qatar, Bahrain, Oman and Kuwait)**  
Flag(s): **All flags**

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PSC inspectors shall use a questionnaire to establish that crew members are familiar with the relevant equipment and that they have received training to allow to identify and understand the hazards associated with enclosed space entry.

CIC questionnaire is attached.

Accordingly, companies are advised to ensure at least that:

- crew members participate in an enclosed space entry and rescue drills onboard the ship at least once every two months and the record for same is available;
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- the testing of atmosphere is to be carried out by calibrated equipment. The portable atmosphere testing instruments may be calibrated on board or ashore in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions;
- crew members are trained, as appropriate, in enclosed space entry, including familiarization with onboard procedures for recognizing, evaluating and controlling hazards associated with entry into enclosed spaces;
- necessary training of crew members responsible for testing the atmosphere in enclosed spaces and their familiarization with the relevant equipment is carried out;
- records of drills conducted and testing of equipment to be retained onboard and maintained.

### **Any Inquiries?**

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Questionnaire - CIC on Crew Familiarization for Enclosed Space Entry  
1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 – 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017

<b>Ships Name:</b>		<b>IMO No:</b>	
<b>Port of Inspection:</b>		<b>Date of Inspection:</b>	

#	Item	YES	NO	N/A
1	Are there measures in place to test the atmosphere of an enclosed space to confirm it is safe to enter?			
2	Are crew members responsible for testing the atmosphere in enclosed spaces trained in the use of the equipment referred to in Question 1?			
3 *	Are the crew members familiar with the arrangements of the ship, as well as the location and operation of any on-board safety systems or appliances that they may be called upon to use for enclosed space entry?			
4 *	Are crew members responsible for enclosed space emergency duties, familiar with those duties?			
5 *	Is the training manual available on board and its contents complete and customized to the ship?			
6 *	Is there evidence on board that enclosed space entry and rescue drills are conducted in accordance with SOLAS Chapter III, Regulation 19?			
7 *	Have the ship's crew participated in an enclosed space entry and rescue drill on board the ship at least once every two months in accordance with SOLAS Chapter III, Regulation 19.3.3?			
8 *	Are crew members responsible for enclosed space entry aware of the associated risks?			
9 *	During the CIC, the PSCO is to observe an enclosed space entry and rescue drill. Did the drill comply with the requirements of SOLAS Chapter III, Regulation 19.3.6?			
10	Is the ship detained as a result of a "NO" answer to any of the questions?			

**Note 1** Each question should be answered and only one box ticked for that question.

**Note 2** Questions with an asterisk (\*) indicate Code 30 may be issued