



**MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY**  
**ENFORCEMENT SERVICE**

NOV 18 2021

**MARINA ADVISORY NO. 2021-67**

**TO** ALL SHIPOWNERS/OPERATORS OF PHILIPPINE REGISTERED PASSENGER SHIPS AND OTHER SHIPS ENGAGED IN DOMESTIC VOYAGES/OPERATIONS AND ALL CONCERNED

**SUBJECT :** PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TO BE OBSERVE ON THE ENTRY INTO CONFINED SPACE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Presidential Degree No. 474, Sec. 14 (e) of E.O. No. 125/125A and Sec. 9, Chapter III of R.A. No. 9295, that all concerned are reminded to take Precautionary Measures on the Entry into Confined Spaces in accordance with IMO Resolution A.1050 (27) "REVISED RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ENTERING ENCLOSED SPACES ABOARD SHIPS" and pursuant to SOLAS Regulation XI-1/7 "Atmosphere testing instrument for enclosed spaces", which entered into force last 1 July 2016:

The Master or the responsible person should determine that it is safe to enter an enclosed space by ensuring that:

1. Potential hazards have been identified in the assessment and as far as possible isolated or made safe;
2. The space has been thoroughly ventilated by natural or mechanical means to remove any toxic or flammable gases and to ensure an adequate level of oxygen throughout the space;
3. The atmosphere of the space has been tested as appropriate with properly calibrated instruments to ascertain acceptable levels of oxygen and acceptable levels of flammable or toxic vapours;
4. The space has been secured for entry and properly illuminated;
5. A suitable system of communication between all parties for use during entry has been agreed and tested;
6. An attendant has been instructed to remain at the entrance to the space whilst it is occupied;
7. Rescue and resuscitation equipment has been positioned ready for use at the entrance to the space and rescue arrangements have been agreed;




**MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY  
ENFORCEMENT SERVICE**

8. Personnel are properly clothed and equipped for the entry and subsequent tasks; and
9. That a permit has been issued, authorizing entry.

Further, only trained personnel should be assigned the duties of entering, functioning as attendants or functioning as members of rescue teams. Ships' crews with rescue and first aid duties should be drilled periodically in rescue and first aid procedures.

The MARINA Central Office and all MARINA Regional Offices are instructed to strictly monitor the adherence to the above recommendations, in accordance with applicable rules and regulations.

For strict compliance.

  
VADM ROBERT A EMPEDRAD AFP (Ret)  
Administrator