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TO	:	**ALL SHIPOWNERS/OPERATORS OF PHILIPPINE REGISTERED SHIPS, SHIP BUILDING & SHIP REPAIR (SBSR) ENTITIES AND THEIR SUBCONTRACTORS AND ALL CONCERNED**
SUBJECT	:	**REITERATION OF MARINA ADVISORY NO. 2022-62 – PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TO PREVENT FIRE WHILE CONDUCTING HOT WORKS ONBOARD SHIPS**

In view of recent maritime fire accident/incident caused by inadequate hot work management, the Administration hereby reiterates **MARINA Advisory No. 2022-62 –** Precautionary Measures to Prevent Fire While Conducting Hot Works Onboard Ships.

In addition to the said Advisory, all vessel crew, welders, fitters, fabricators, technicians, contractors, subcontractors, and other personnel engaged in hot work or related activities are reminded to **strictly observe and implement the following safety measures before, during, and after** the conduct of such work, as well as comply with the Company's internal controls and established safety procedures governing the safe and controlled execution of hot work and other activities requiring a **Permit-to-Work (PTW)** onboard ships.

1. **Permit-to-Work.** The company/shipowner/operator's Hot Work and/or Permit-to-Work (PTW) Checklist shall be properly completed and approved prior to the commencement of any hot work activity.
2. **Work Area Inspection.** The work area and nearby, adjacent, or connected spaces shall be inspected for fire, explosion, and other potential hazards before the commencement of work.
3. **Fire Prevention and Protection.** Appropriate fire prevention and protection measures, including readily available firefighting equipment and a designated fire watch, where required, shall be provided and maintained throughout the work.
4. **Control of Combustible Materials.** Flammable and combustible materials, residues, and other potential fire hazards shall be removed, isolated, or adequately protected before and during the conduct of hot work.
5. **Gas Testing and Ventilation.** Where applicable, gas testing and atmosphere monitoring shall be conducted to confirm that conditions are safe for hot work. Adequate ventilation shall be provided and maintained throughout the activity.

6. **Isolation and Safety Controls.** Where applicable, tanks, cargo spaces, pipelines, machinery, electrical systems, fuel systems, and other sources of hazardous energy or materials shall be properly isolated and secured prior to the commencement of hot work.

7. **Supervision and Monitoring.** Hot work shall be properly supervised and continuously monitored. The activity shall be immediately suspended whenever unsafe conditions arise or when required safety measures and controls are not maintained.

8. **Post-Work Inspection.** Upon completion of the hot work, the work area and nearby, adjacent, or affected spaces shall be inspected and monitored for any signs of fire, heat transfer, smoldering, or re-ignition before the PTW is closed and the area is declared safe.

Annex I – Sample Hot Work and/or Permit-to-Work (PTW) Checklist is attached and shall serve as a reference or guidance for the proper planning, authorization, execution, and monitoring of hot work activities. The checklist may be modified/simplified, translated into the language use on board the ship or supplemented, as necessary, to address vessel-specific conditions and identified hazards.

Strict compliance with the foregoing requirements and MARINA Advisory No. 2022-62 shall be strictly enforced.

This Advisory shall take effect immediately.

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Annex I

SAMPLE HOT WORK PERMIT and/or PERMIT-TO-WORK CHECKLIST

Name of Vessel:	**Location of Work:**
Issued date/Time Checked:	**Expiration date of permit:**

Type of Work: ☐Welding ☐Cutting ☐Grinding ☐Burning ☐Other: _____

PRE-WORK CHECKLIST	YES	NO	REMARKS
Hot work area inspected by responsible officer.			
Combustible materials removed from the work area.			
Nearby spaces/areas checked for combustible materials.			
Decks, bulkheads, pipelines and adjacent areas checked for heat transfer/fire risk.			
Flammable liquids and gases removed or adequately isolated.			
Tanks/cargo spaces/pipelines checked and confirmed where applicable			
Required gas testing completed, as necessary (especially for enclosed spaces)			
Atmosphere confirmed safe for hot work.			
Adequate ventilation provided and maintained.			
Oxygen and fuel-gas cylinders secured in an upright position.			
Hoses, regulators and connections checked.			
Welding leads and electrical connections inspected and found safe.			
Fire hoses/extinguishers/bucket of dry sand available & ready for immediate use.			
Fire watch assigned.			
Communications established with the fire watch.			
Adjacent decks/levels checked for falling sparks.			
Work area adequately screened, barricaded, and secured.			
Emergency arrangements confirmed.			

Prepared by: _____
(Signature Over Printed Name)

Checked and permitted by: _____
(Master/Safety Personnel-in-Charge - Signature Over Printed Name)

HOT WORK COMPLETE	YES	NO	REMARKS
Hot work completed.			
Work area inspected after completion.			
Fire watch maintained for required period.			
No signs of fire/smoldering materials.			
Equipment and gas cylinders removed/secured.			
Area returned to safe condition.			
Permit closed.			

Check Complete: _____
(Master/Safety Personnel-in-Charge – Signature over Printed Name)