



CIRCULAR MCO – 025-2021

DATE: SEPTEMBER 25th, 2021
FROM: MCO HEAD OFFICE – TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT
TO: SURVEYORS/ MANAGERMENTS/ OWNERS/ OPERATORS
SUBJECT: FOREIGN PASSENGER VESSEL EXAMINATION COVID19 GUIDANCE

Dear All:

By this means we would like to draw your attention to circular **MMC-390** providing information to RO's, shipowners, operators and captains about the CG-CVC Policy Letter 21-02 regarding the guidance to the Cruise Ship National Center of Expertise (CSNCOE) and Officers in Charge, Marine Inspection (OCMI) on US Coast Guard examination requirements for all foreign passenger vessels seeking to resume suspended passenger operations within US ports due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Also, there is information in relation to CSNCOE Field Notice 01-2021 about the Evaluation of Alternative Passenger Muster Protocols to clarify examination techniques for attendance and observation of alternative passenger muster protocols to fulfill the requirements of SOLAS-Regulation III/19.2.2 and STCW-Section A-V/2.

Note: **Circular MMC-390** as well **CG-CVC Policy Letter 21-02** and **CSNCOE Field Notice 01-2021** are attached for reference.

All related documents can be found on our website: <https://macosnar.com/>.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "STC" followed by a stylized flourish.

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