



Tip of the Month – Preventing Risk



CASE STUDY #46 PaSea H.EL.M.E.T. Marine Risk Assessment

RISK ELEMENT: Portable Fire Extinguishers

MRA FINDING: No evidence that the spare portable fire extinguishers were inspected monthly, only blank labels were found attached. No records found onboard regarding inspection at regular time intervals

REF. SOLAS II-2/10.3 & 14, MSC/Circ.1432, FSS Code Ch.4

PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE AT DESIGNATED LOCATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FIRE CONTROL & SAFETY PLAN, IN SATISFACTORY CONDITION, UNOBSTRUCTED & EASILY ACCESSIBLE, CLEARLY MARKED WITH OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS AND SUBJECT TO ATLEAST MONTHLY INSPECTIONS.

RECOMMENDATION: ADDITIONAL FAMILIARIZATION WITH COMPANY PROCEDURES SHOULD BE PROVIDED TO ALL OFFICERS ONBOARD ALONG WITH EXTRA TRAINING REGARDING PROPER MAINTENANCE, INSPECTION & RECORD KEEPING OF SAFETY & FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT.

Making Prevention A HABIT!