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Inspection Activities

01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

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Purpose

This report is prepared in accordance with Standard A5.1.4.13, taking into consideration the guidance provided in B5.1.4.10 of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC) Code and covers the period from 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023.

The statistics contained in this report take into account only ships which are certified according MLC, 2006.

System of Inspection

The following categories of ships are required to be certified and maintain a valid Maritime Labour Certificate (ML Certificate) and a Declaration of Maritime Labour Compliance (DMLC):

- i. Ships of 500 gross tonnage or over, engaged in international voyages;
- ii. Ships of 500 gross tonnage or over, operating from a port, or between ports, in another country; and
- iii. Other ships, as may be voluntarily requested by a shipowner.

The total number of authorized MLC inspectors/auditors by Hellenic Administration is 41. The Administration after taking into account the requirements set out for authorization of recognized organizations in Standard A5.1.2.1, has authorized RO's to conduct maritime labour verification inspections and certification of Hellenic flag ships. A shipowner has the option to choose the certification body between the flag and the authorized ROs. The number of appointed RO's inspectors during 2023 is 2960.

Ships inspected

The following is a record of inspections for issuance of MLC certificates carried out on Hellenic registered ships, during the period of this report.

Number of MLC inspections by Hellenic Administration	39
Number of MLC inspections by authorized RO's	339
Total number of inspections (Hellenic Administrations and RO's)	378
Number of inspections with no MLC related deficiencies	372
Number of inspections with MLC related deficiencies	6
Total number of MLC related deficiencies	8

The total number of deficiencies noted during inspections for certification is broken down by category as follows:

MLC Regulation		Number of deficiencies	%
Reg 1.3	Training and Qualifications	3	38%
Reg 2.1	Seafarers employment agreements	2	25%
Reg 2.3	Hours of work and hours of rest	1	13%
Reg 3.1	Accommodation and recreational facilities	1	13%
Reg 5.1.5	On-board complaint handling procedures	1	13%

Table 1: Number of MLC related deficiencies noted during inspections for certification (2023) per regulation

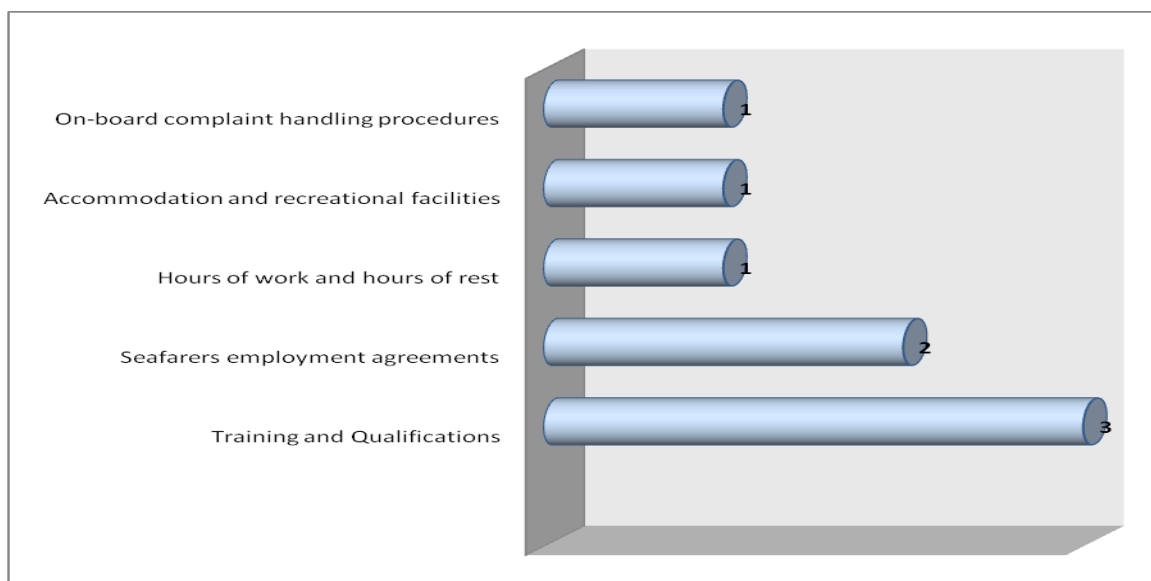


Figure 1: Number of MLC related deficiencies noted during inspections for certification (2023) per regulation

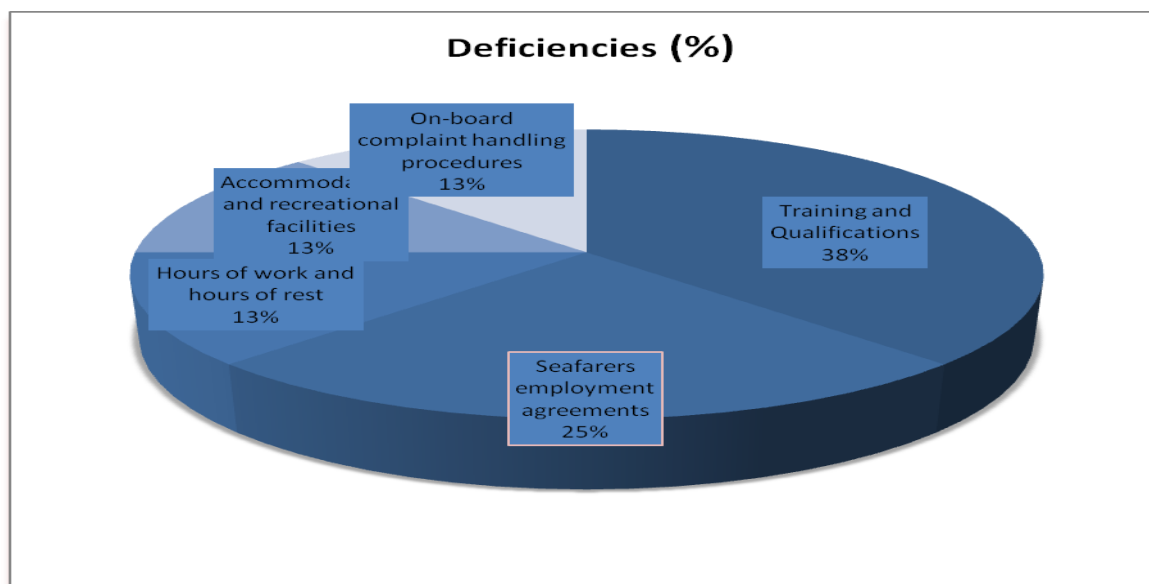


Figure 2: MLC related deficiencies noted during inspections for certification (2023) per regulation

Violations of Legislation, Penalties Imposed and Cases of detention of Ships

Violation of legislation and penalties imposed

The following is a record of MOU inspections carried out (by Abuja MOU, Black Sea MOU, Caribbean MOU, Indian Ocean MOU, Mediterranean MOU, Paris MOU, Tokyo MOU, Riyadh MOU, Vina del Mar) on Hellenic registered ships, during the period of this report.

Total number of MOU inspections	763
Number of inspections with no MLC deficiencies	679
Number of inspections with MLC deficiencies	84
Number of deficiencies	144

There were seven hundred sixty three (763) Port State Control inspections. One hundred forty four(144) MLC-related deficiencies were recorded.

The total number of deficiencies noted during MOU inspections is broken down by category as follows:

MLC Regulation		Number of deficiencies	%
Reg 1.2	Medical Certificates	1	1%
Reg 1.3	Training and Qualifications	4	3%
Reg 2.1	Seafarers employment agreements	14	10%
Reg 2.2	Payment of wages	4	3%
Reg 2.3	Hours of work and hours of rest	5	3%
Reg 2.5	Repatriation	1	1%
Reg 3.1	Accommodation and recreational facilities	29	20%
Reg 3.2	Food and catering	7	5%
Reg 4.1	Medical care on board ship and ashore	4	3%
Reg 4.2	Shipowners' Liability	1	1%
Reg 4.3	Health and safety protection and accident prevention	70	49%
Reg 5.1.3	Maritime labour certificate and declaration of maritime labour compliance	3	2%
Reg 5.1.5	On-board complaint procdures	1	1%

Table 2: Number of MLC related deficiencies noted during MOU inspections (2023) per regulation

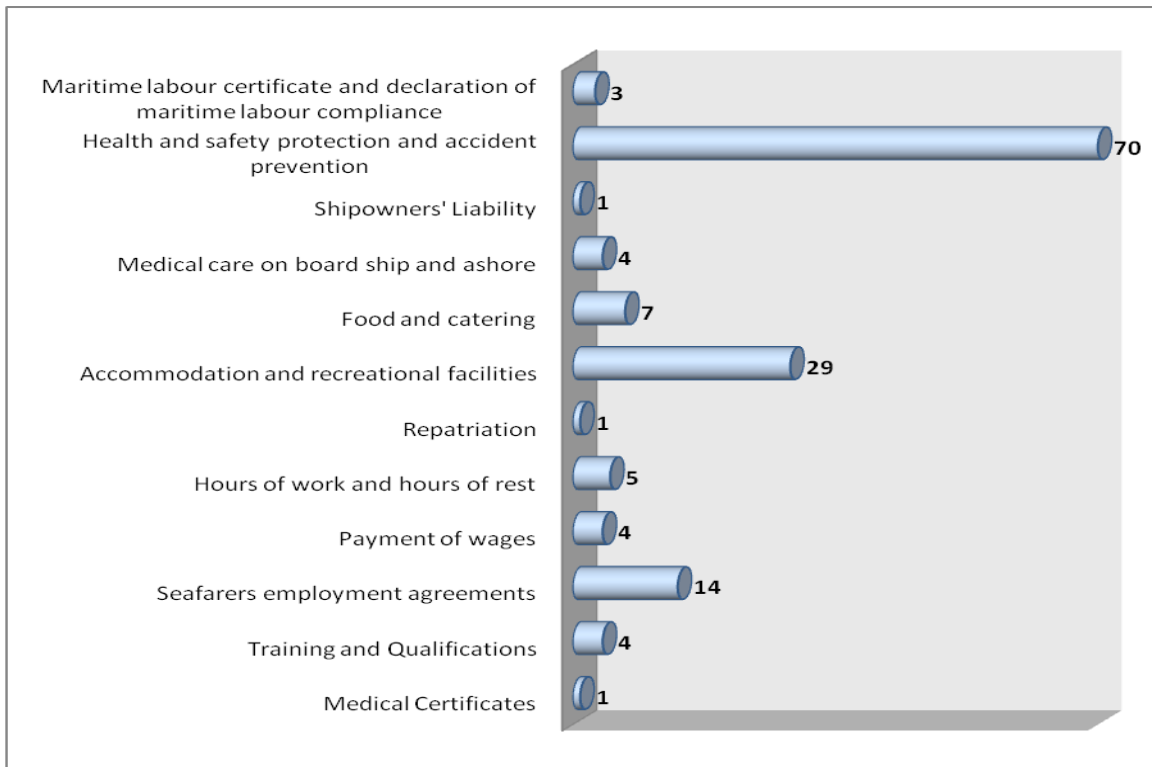


Figure 3: Number of MLC related deficiencies noted during inspections (2023) per regulation

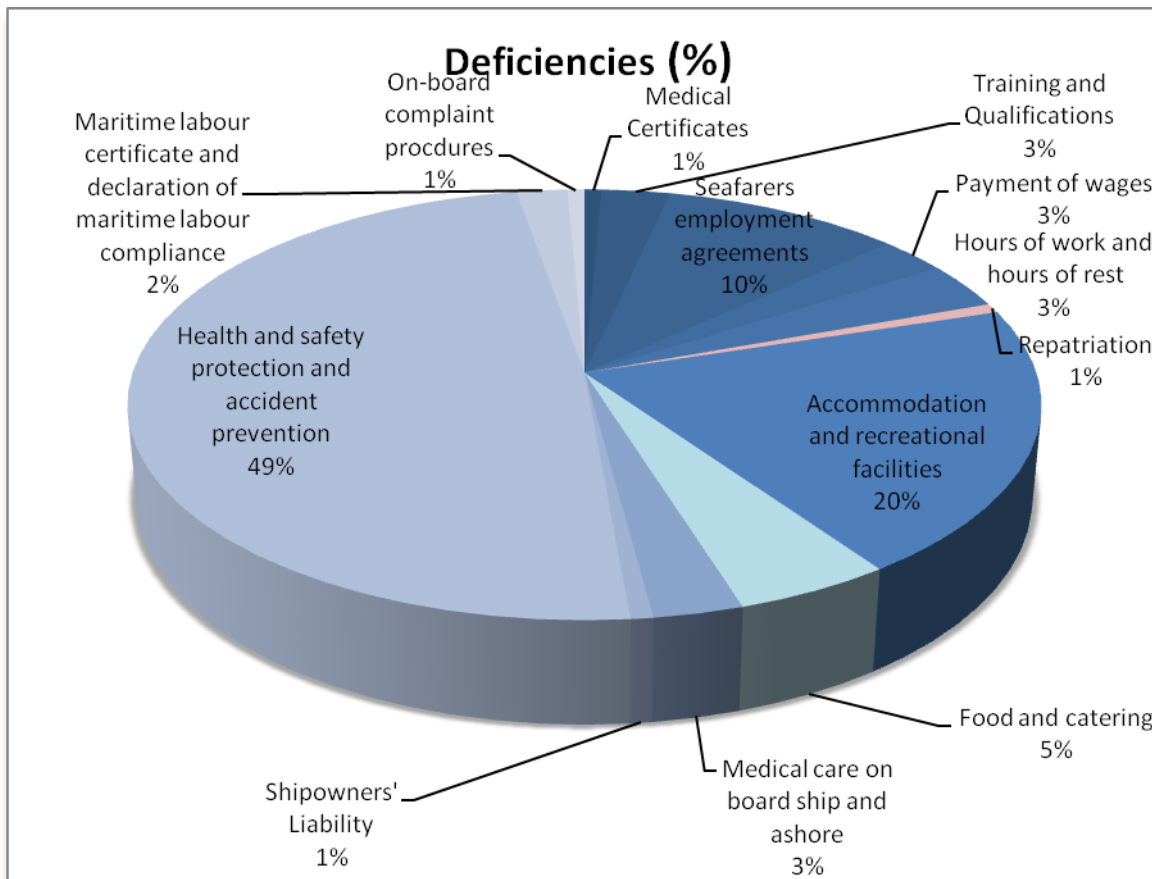


Figure 4: MLC related deficiencies noted during MOU inspections (2023) per regulation

Ships Detentions

During the period of this report, among the fifteen (15) Hellenic registered ship that were detained in 2023, one (01) Hellenic registered ship was detained due to a deficiency related with MLC (concerning Standard A.2.1)

In five (05) of the fifteen (15) Hellenic registered ships that were detained in 2023, MLC related deficiencies were found, not noted as “ground for detention”, categorized as follows:

MLC Regulation		Number
Reg 2.1	Seafarers employment agreements	1
Reg. 2.5	Repatriation	1
Reg 3.1	Accommodation and recreational facilities	3
Reg 3.2	Food and catering	2
Reg . 4.2	Shipowners’ liability	1
Reg. 4.3	Health and safety protection and accident prevention	4

Table 3: Number of MLC related deficiencies noted during PSC inspections to Hellenic registered ships that were detained during 2023 (for reasons not concerning MLC matters).

Conclusion

1. The report has been prepared to provide an accurate account of the implementation of MLC on board certified ships during the period 01 January 2023 through 31 December 2023.
2. In the year 2023, total number of detentions due to MLC issues was 1.
3. Hellenic Administration is aiming to improve the level of compliance with the MLC requirements on board Hellenic flagged ship throughout the year 2024.

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