



# Kiribati Ship Registry

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## MARINE CIRCULAR 40/2017

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**TO : Ship Owners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Charterers, Ship Masters,  
Classification Societies and the Shipping Community**

**SUBJECT : PORT STATE CONTROL DETENTION**

### PURPOSE

This Circular serves to notify all parties concerned on the actions that shall be taken by Kiribati Administration in the event of a Port State Control (PSC) detention.

### APPLICATION

This Circular applies to all Kiribati registered vessels.

### CONTENT

#### 1. Mandatory Flag State Inspection (FSI)

In the event that a vessel is detained by PSC Authority, a mandatory FSI by a FSI Inspector shall be arranged within 3 months from the date of vessel's PSC detention with all fees in relation to the mandatory FSI to be borne by the ship owner.

The purpose of the mandatory FSI is to ensure that all PSC deficiencies have been satisfactorily rectified and preventive measures have been implemented to avoid any recurrences, and that the vessel complies with the requirements of the applicable IMO Conventions, thereby ensuring the safety and security of the crew and vessel, and the protection of the marine environment.

#### 2. Closure of vessel's registration

If a vessel incurs two (2) PSC detentions within a 12-month period, the vessel's registration shall be closed within the notice period as stipulated by the Kiribati Administration.

However, if a vessel is not detained within the 12-month period after incurring a first PSC detention, the first PSC detention shall be not be considered for the 12-month period closure penalty, and subsequent PSC detention shall be considered as first detention again.

Please do not hesitate to contact this Administration for any assistance or clarification.

Yours sincerely,

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