



Circular

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OUTLINE

- The deadline for submission of owners' Certificates of Entry under Californian Code of Regulations relating to COFRs is extended to ten calendar days prior to entering local waters.
- This circular supersedes "Circular 18/11:US Pollution California – Changes in Certificates of Financial Responsibility [COFRs] Requirements" issued in January 2012.

TO THE MEMBERS

Dear Sirs

UPDATED CALIFORNIA CERTIFICATES OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (COFR) REQUIREMENTS

Members are requested to note the relevant provisions in the California Code of Regulations (CCR) on evidence of financial security and renewal procedures for California certificates of financial responsibility (COFRs) published by the Californian Office of Spill Prevention and Response (OSPR) are currently effective.

Before operating in California marine waters, tank and non-tank vessels are required to submit their certificate of entry (CoE) at least ten (10) calendar days prior to operating or entering these waters, in order to apply for a Californian COFR. This requirement supersedes the previous requirement to submit the CoE at least three (3) working days prior to entering Californian waters.

Members are also advised that the thirty (30) and ninety (90) day timeframe required for self-certifying renewal with the P&I Club and the timeframe for providing the renewal documentation, i.e. the CoE – is replaced with a timeframe of forty-five (45) calendar days following expiration of the P&I Club coverage to submit all necessary documentation including the CoE.

Members should contact the Manager/Association should they have any queries regarding any of the above.

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All clubs in the International Group of P&I Clubs have issued similar circulars.

Yours faithfully

THE MANAGERS

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