

## Flag inspections

**Application:** All shipowners, operators, masters and flag inspectors

The Barbados Maritime Ship Registry is committed to support ship operators and to avoid disruption to their business. Therefore it is be ensured that ships are properly prepared for a flag state inspection to avoid delays in carrying out the survey.

In 2019 some common factors have been noted at flag state inspections and port state detentions. Therefore our inspectors are hereby advised of the frequently noted deficiencies as mentioned below:

- Fire doors -closing mechanisms found ineffective
- Fire drills - lack of familiarity
- Fire pumps - failure to establish pressure
- Emergency generator - failure to start
- IMO symbols - found to be missing
- Publications - old editions found onboard or publications not found onboard
- Gangway ladders - steps to be replaced

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