



ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES  
MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

**CIRCULAR N° FSI 001 – Rev.1**

**ANNUAL FLAG STATE INSPECTIONS**

**TO:** **SHIPOWNERS, SHIPS' OPERATORS AND MANAGERS,**  
**APPLICABLE TO:** ALL VESSELS  
**EFFECTIVE AS FROM:** DATE OF PRESENT CIRCULAR

11<sup>th</sup> November 2013

The Annual Flag State Inspection policy has helped in improving the safety of vessels and in considerably lowering the number of detentions. This policy will therefore be pursued more than ever.

This Administration tries to keep the Owners' expenses at a minimum but the cost of an inspection may vary from one country to another. As Flag State Inspections should be carried out annually with a three (3) months window, it is suggested that Owners arrange for inspections to be carried out in a suitable/convenient port (pricewise etc ...).