

Meeting Report
ICOMIA Super Yacht Meeting
Gdansk, Poland
June 10, 2015

Highlights of the ICOMIA Super Yacht (SY) Division Meeting held at ICOMIA Congress 2015 in Gdansk.

1. Superyacht Coatings Conference
 - Main issues are the conduct of coating inspections and inspectors qualifications.
 - Held in Amsterdam in December 2014.
2. Registered Marine Coatings Inspector
 - First set of certified coating inspectors will be presented at the next Superyacht Coating Conference. This was the result of a pilot course held this fall in London.
3. ISO Technical Committee (TC) 8/Subcommittee (SC) 12 Issues
 - Planning group met at Genoa Boat Show, April 2015, to discuss future SC proposals.
 - There are four work groups; two are active.
 - Four Large Yacht ISO standards were published in 2014.
 - The Secretariat will look to reinstate previously deleted New Work Items.
 - Potential New Work Items include:
 - Quality evaluation of interiors
 - Level of seakeeping performance
 - Underwater noise
 - Elevators and lifting platforms
 - Energy efficiency
 - Polar code
 - Yacht recycling
 - Masts
 - Helipads
 - New proposals:
 - Citadels/ “safe rooms”
 - Paint foils
 - Maintenance of paint systems
 - Construction quality standard
 - Gluing/bonding
 - The group discussed the organization of large yacht standards and inclusion into TC 188, Small craft. This has to be vented through TC8 and SyBass. A potential change in the scope of TC188 will be to include craft up to 500T. Also discussed taking SC12 out of TC8 and moving it into TC188.
 - How can we increase use of large yacht standards? Go to the super yacht associations? Go to ICOMIA membership? Publish in SY magazines? To be discussed.
4. IMO
 - Polar code – Enters into force 2017. Applies to ships above 200T. Addresses design and construction, search and rescue, and safety in the environment. No certification needed yet.
 - Underwater Noise – Deals with cavitation and ship hull noise. Interest is increasing throughout the EU. New EU legislation requires an underwater assessment. TC 43 is responsible for underwater noise standards. TC188 and TC8 have liaison members.

- MARPOL Annex VI Tier III – Delayed to 2021. Only for vessels above 500GT. Size of the catalyst is a concern for boat builders. Might combine with the engine silencers. Still need to define “recreational”.
 - Passenger Yacht Code – applies to sailing yachts with >12 passengers to conduct stability assessments. Worked with SyBass and Lloyds. Contained in LY3 program.
 - Dynamic positioning systems - TBD
 - Human Element Training – Deals with crew training for super yachts and fatigue management.
 - FRP in Ship Construction – Fire safety concerns with FRP.
5. Registered Marine Coatings Inspectors
- Idea first introduced in 2009 for the need for a certified coating inspector for super yachts.
 - 45 students have passed the course. Three more classes to be held in 2015.
 - Need to include this requirement in contracts.
 - Now the industry needs an applicators course.
6. EU Regulations
- Ship Recycling – Starts with affidavit that hazardous materials are not being used on board the yacht. EU Regulation 1257/2013 is applicable.
 - 5000 GT and monitoring CO - 2018 is mandatory for CO monitoring only.
7. Next meeting
- The next meeting of the Super Yacht Division will be held at METS in Amsterdam 2015.

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