

Past Compliance Summary

Focus Areas 2024-25



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Overview

Every year we undertake a range of planned and responsive activities to keep people safe and to protect the marine environment.

Compliance activities during the past year were conducted in accordance with the 2024-25 National Compliance Plan and focused on higher risk areas informed by safety data.

A summary of our business-as-usual compliance activities can be found in the:

- Annual Inspections report
- Maritime Labour Convention Annual Report
- Marine Incidents Annual Report

Our performance against the focus areas identified in the 2024-25 National Compliance Plan are detailed below.

2024-2025 focus area measured performance

Focus area 1: Foreign Flagged and Regulated Australian Vessels Inspections

Risk area 1: Continue to focus inspection efforts on those vessels considered as higher risk coming to Australia

Vessel type	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Foreign flagged vessels eligible for PSC inspection	Minimum 2400 inspections	2452 inspections completed	Met Target√√√
Regulated Australian 95% vessels eligible for	95%	98% of target achieved on eligible vessels ¹ .	Met Target √√√
FSC inspection		Higher priority of Australian flagged vessel inspections required in future.	

¹ There were 82 eligible RAVs for inspection, with 80 inspections conducted in the year. Note that barges are excluded from the statistics.

Risk area 2: Maintenance and response – disabled vessels

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Integrate planned maintenance of critical systems (element 10), emergency preparedness response when vessel disabled (element 8), crew training and familiarisation in maintenance and response (element 6) into annual inspection regime, as part of the international Safety Management (ISM) code requirements.	Ongoing	2,452 Inspections completed including increased focus on elements of the international Safety Management (ISM) code requirements	Met Target √√√
Publish Safety Bulletin on maintenance and emergency preparedness in relation to disabled vessels	Quarter 1	Published bulletin on 30 September 2024: Marine Safety Awareness Bulletin issue 20 - Maintenance	Met Target √√√

Risk area 3: Maintenance – Watertight integrity

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Integrate maintenance and inspections of hatch covers, watertight integrity and ingress points into the annual inspection regime as part of the international Safety Management (ISM) code requirements.	Ongoing	2,454 PSC Inspections completed with an ISM – Safety Management System requirements inspection focus; maintenance and inspections of hatch covers, watertight integrity and ingress points.	Met Target √√√

Focus area 2: Maritime Labour Convention

Risk area 1: Working conditions and practices – fatalities and serious injuries

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Participate in the Tokyo MOU joint concentrated inspection campaign on conditions of employment (MLC)	Quarter 1 Quarter 2	The 2024 Concentrated Inspection Campaign under the TOKYO MOU focused on Maritime Labour Convention (MLC) factors. The campaign ran from 1 September to 30 November 2024.	Met Target √√√
		A total of 473 vessels were inspected by AMSA during this period.	
Publish Safety Bulletin on work health and safety (MLC) during maintenance activities on ships	Quarter 3	Published bulletin on 26 March 2025: Marine Safety Awareness Bulletin issue 21 - Managing risk	Met Target √√√

Focus area 3: Domestic Commercial Vessels (DCVs)

Risk area 1: DCV inspection targeting

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Higher risk domestic commercial vessel (Priority 1 & 2)	60%	40.33% of high-risk inspections	Outside Threshold
		AMSA will continue to refine its targeting algorithm to reflect a transient fleet.	

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Lower risk domestic commercial vessel (priority 3 & 4)	40%	59.67% of low-risk Inspections	Met Target √√√
Conduct at least 2,300 inspections of DCVs based on vessel priority	Minimum of 2,300 inspections	2,251 Inspections 98% of target achieved	Within Threshold

Risk area 2: Safe working practices – injury to crew and passengers

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Conduct an education campaign for lifejacket requirements as per Marine Order 504. Provide information on lifejacket wear on AMSA correspondence from MARS	Quarter 1 Quarter 2	A series of videos commencing with lifejacket wear and risk assessments began in September 2024 were released on AMSA's social media channels. The campaign looked at the key themes of lifejacket wear, risk assessment, servicing and types of lifejackets.	Met Target √√√

Risk area 4: Carriage of dangerous goods

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Publish safety information in collaboration with State WHS regulators focusing on carriage of dangerous goods.	Quarter 4	Dangerous goods procedure - Guidance: Marine Order 504 changes published on the AMSA website and short video promotion published on Facebook.	Met Target √√√

Risk area 5: Torres Strait and Top End: Safe vessel operations

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Conduct simplified SMS workshop with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander DCV operators	Ongoing	Series of workshops held during Quarter 3 and Quarter 4 Maritime safety education in the Torres Strait continues	Met Target √√√

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
		to be delivered collaboratively	

Risk area 6: Poorly implemented safety management systems

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Conduct operational monitoring on key areas of risk assessment, maintenance, crewing and emergency preparedness	100	124 DCV Inspections completed	Met Target √√√

Risk area 7: Pilot transfer operations

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Conduct operational monitoring on pilot launch operators	Targeted vessels from each pilot launch operator	Insufficient supporting data available to enable delivery of this initiative. Only one incident reported in the previous year. Decision taken to transfer KPI to 25/26	Insufficient data to enable delivery of this initiative.

Focus area 4: Environmental

Risk area 1: MARPOL Annex V (Garbage) – DCVs

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
Continue education campaign on compliance with MARPOL V	Ongoing	63 inspections completed during 2024/25 included issue of a MARPOL Annex V flyer covering 'my responsibilities' as a DCV Operator, which covered garbage discharge, garbage reception facilities, MARPOS garbage	Met Target √√√

Action	Performance measure	2024-25 Results	Key
		placards, garbage management plan and garbage record books.	

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