



OVID/Offshore Newsletter

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Welcome to another edition of the OCIMF OVID/Offshore Newsletter.

In the last newsletter the development of a new category of OVID Programme Recipients was mentioned. As a reminder this new category is designed to allow non OCIMF companies access to the OVIQ and to increase the acceptance of OVIQ in areas where vessels are operating in associated industries, not necessarily exclusively oil and gas.

Work is reaching final stages of this new category and expected to go live early Q1 2017.

If you have any questions with regards to this, please feel free to email us at ovid@ocimf.org.

Offshore Maritime Operations Group (OMOG)

Dynamic Positioning Assurance Framework Information Paper

Last August OCIMF published the information paper *Dynamic Positioning Assurance Framework*.

This paper aims to define sound Dynamic Positioning (DP) assurance practices based upon the levels of risk presented across a range of maritime operations where DP vessels are deployed. It also highlights the proper way of managing a DP vessel when it encounters non-environmental external forces.

Please note that this information paper will also be available to download from the Information Paper area of the OCIMF website <http://www.ocimf.com/Library/Information-Papers>

OVID Inspector News

Minimum Inspection Requirement

As reported in previous newsletter we are continually monitoring the number of inspections submitted in relation to the number of accredited inspectors. The OVID Focus Group met in early September and decided not to reduce the minimum inspection requirement for 2016.

With that said we will be conducting another review towards the end of the year to see if some exemptions are needed. This review will only focus on inspectors that are short 1 or 2 and will take into account the amount of inspections submitted in 2015

2017 OVID Course Schedule

The 2017 course schedule is now listed on the OVID website. <https://www.ocimf-ovid.org/Welcome.aspx>

If you are in need of attending a Refresher Course please email OCIMF at ovidaccredit@ocimf.org and request to be place on the nearest course to you.

Computer Based Refresher Course

Recently and OVID Focus Group Member was approached by OVID Accredited Inspector with possibility of changing refresher courses from face to face to online CBT.

This was discussed at last OVID Focus Group Meeting. Although this topic was discussed in detail and could be seen as additional cost savings members felt that it would be difficult to maintain the integrity of the system if refresher course was moved to CBT.

In addition, at a recent OVID Refresher course, attending inspectors were surveyed to get their opinion on face to face OVID Refresher courses. A majority of inspectors like the face to face meeting. For these inspectors it was seen not only as training but a network event.

Based on this OFG Members agreed that Refresher Course should stay face to face.

Re-organised OVIQ (ROOVIQ) template

ROOVIQ has been developed to give an OVID inspector the ability to re-organise the question set into a format which follows the direction of his/her inspection routine while onboard the vessel.

Currently the ROOVIQ is being beta tested by a few OVID Accredited Inspectors. Once testing is complete the ROOVIQ will be release to whole OVID Accredited Inspector pool.

OVID Focus Group

Last month OCIMF hosted the 13th meeting of the Offshore Vessel Inspection Database (OVID) focus group.

Topics discussed during this meeting included:

- OVID accredited inspector pool and compliance with minimum inspection requirement because of a downturn in the market.
- Developments to the OVID Programme, including the creation of a new category of user (OVID Programme Recipients) and a new platform for vessel inspection requests (OVIR).
- Improving quality of reports submitted by inspectors and validated by Members.
- Updating the Offshore Vessel Particulars Questionnaire (OVPQ).
- Creation of workgroup to begin reviewing list of suggested OVIQ/MODU question set changes

OVID User Group (OUG)

Mark your calenderers as the next meeting of the OUG will held in Houston via face to face and telecom on March 8th, 2017 at 14:00 – 17:00 Houston time. As a reminder the purpose of the OUG is to enable users of the OVID programme, including OVID Accredited

Inspectors and Vessel Operators, to provide their comments and feedback on the operations on the programme and where improvement might be considered.

If you are interested in participating, please send an email to ovid@ocimf.org and we will add your name to invite list.

OVID Current Status

OVID numbers as of Oct 1st 2016

Current OCIMF Members using OVID (out of 105 OCIMF members)	50
Number of vessels	9625
Number of Vessels with an OVID Inspection	5889
Number of inspections submitted in last 12 months	2755
Number of vessel operators	1636
Operators with published OVMSA	636
Total Operators who have started the online OVMSA	878
Total OVID Inspectors	483

OVIQ2 Most frequent observations from section 4 Navigation

These totals are based on OVIQ2s that were commissioned during 01 Jan - 15 Sep 2016

Question Number	Question Text
4.1.9	Are the vessel/unit's manoeuvring characteristics displayed on the bridge?
4.1.5	Do the vessel documented procedures clearly identify the actions to be followed when changing the manoeuvring position on the bridge, taking into account the physical location of the vessel in relation to the platform and/or the engine/generator status?
4.1.18	Is the echo sounder recorder marked with a reference date and time on each occasion it is switched on?
4.1.8	Are records maintained of preventive fire and security rounds completed after each watch?
4.1.14	Is there a documented procedure for checking and recording heading reference system errors?
4.1.2	Do the vessel operating procedures require a minimum of two crew members, one being the Master or a suitably qualified and experienced officer, to be on the bridge throughout operations alongside an installation?
4.1.15	Has a system been established to ensure that nautical publications and charts, paper and/or electronic, for the intended voyage are on board, current and corrected up-to-date?
4.1.6	Does the operator provide guidance on minimum under keel clearance and squat?
4.1.13	Have the deck officers countersigned the Master's standing and night orders as being read and understood?

4.1.20

Do documented procedures clearly prohibit the use of offshore installations as way points?

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