

## Port of Ilyichevsk, Ukraine – Port access to surveyors and correspondents

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For several years marine surveyors and correspondents have been able to obtain entry passes to the port of Ilyichevsk, Ukraine, which had their validity extended on a yearly basis.

However, the new Ilyichevsk port administration has decided that in 2012 it will not extend the validity of passes, on the basis that surveyors and correspondents do not provide services to the port itself. Surveyors and correspondents will now need to apply for entry passes each time they wish to enter the port.

The port administration recommends that those having to attend a vessel in Ilyichevsk should follow the existing regulations, i.e. the local agents should provide the port administration and security management with documentation referring to the surveyor/consultant/correspondent and his company, accompanied by an application for an entry pass. There is apparently no guarantee that any such pass will be issued. It is estimated that some 40 marine surveyors and consultants have had their applications for passes refused so far.

The port administration is open for the submission of applications during a few hours each working day and not during evenings, weekends and public holidays. As a result, there is a risk that urgent attendance on board during these periods may be impossible.

Until further notice, it is recommended that vessels requesting correspondents/surveyors attendance at Ilyichevsk should request it well in advance in order to ensure that passes can be obtained.

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