

MEASUREMENT ORGANIZATION INFORMATIONAL NOTES - 05/12/2021

OPEN SPACE PROGRESSION The Marine Safety Center (MSC) recently responded to an inquiry regarding open space progression from a qualifying end opening in a deckhouse structure fitted with an exterior platform. Our response noted that the provisions of § 69.117(d)(2) of MTN 01-99 CH-10 - which require a deck or platform on the exterior side of an end opening - and the deck height restrictions of § 69.117(d)(2')(vi) are both derived from coaming height restrictions dating to 1952. Accordingly, we consider a qualifying exterior platform to also serve as the associated exterior deck in applying § 69.117(d)(2')(vi).

MSC RELOCATION The Department of Homeland Security is in the process of moving one of its component offices into the Douglas A. Munro Coast Guard Headquarters building. As part of this effort, the MSC will be relocating within the building in late May, with reduced services prior to and after the move. Notably, tonnage file request services will be suspended on Thursday, May 13th until further notice. We will process any file requests received by the close of business today, May 12th. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and will provide an update when this service is restored.

MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY The MSC will be closed on Monday, May 31, 2021 in observance of Memorial Day.