

## Electronic Record Books on Portugal and Portugal (Madeira) flagged vessels

Please be advised that we have now received a confirmation from the flag Administration of Portugal, as follows (freely translated by our Lisbon office):

Quote

*“ Allow us to clarify our previous reply by ref. to the Portuguese law 56/2020 dated 27<sup>th</sup> August namely article 23B which presently states the following:*

*Article 23<sup>a</sup>B*

*1-All vessels registered in MAR must have and maintain the ship logbooks and record books required by applicable national and international law. However, it is not mandatory on these vessels the usage of the type of books required by national law , which makes it possible to use other types of logbooks and register books, provided that all the relevant elements related to their function are included in and that they follow the relevant international requirements applicable.*

*2-The record and logbooks may also be of electronic format provided their systems have been approved in accordance with the applicable international requirements and considering all the relevant recommendations and guidelines namely the ones concerning the integrity and availability of the records.*

*As such we consider that all the indicated books may be accepted as being of electronic format (Electronic Record Book) provided that all applicable international requirements are fulfilled as well as all relevant recommendations and guidelines namely concerning the integrity and availability of records”*

Unquote

We take this as a confirmation that the TELSCOPE Electronic Record Books can be applied for the following purposes on Portugal and Portugal (Madeira) flagged vessels:

- Deck log book
- Radio log book
- Engine room record book
- Oil Record Book part I
- Garbage Record Book Part I and II
- Ballast Water Record Book

We trust the above is to your satisfaction.

Best regards

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