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Shipping Company Öppet hav AB

SHK assessment of response from the Shipping Company Öppet hav AB

The 12 March 2018 the Swedish Accident Investigation Authority (Statens haver-ikommission – SHK) published the final report RS 2018:03 about a marine accident involving a RIB boat in Stockholm. In the report, two safety recommendations were issued to the shipping company Öppet hav AB.

The shipping company was recommended, *e.g.* to introduce routines which mean that relevant safety information is provided in connection with booking confirmations and to implement checklists or other standardized information material to support the crew's instructions on safety routines to passengers.

The shipping company has replied to the recommendations and stated that they are trying to provide safety information at the time of booking. One difficulty, however, is that there can be several intermediaries in the form of different event companies between the shipping company and the final customer. The shipping company is working on a text about safety which is to be included in the booking confirmations. Furthermore, they have checklists that the crew should use, for example when informing the passengers about safety issues before departure. At the company's internal training occasions, emphasis has been placed on using the checklists as intended.

SHK considers that the shipping company has taken measures to address the safety issues covered by the recommendations. The recommendations may thus be regarded as taken care of. SHK closes the case. (Closed – adequate response)

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