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The Transport Agency's response to recommendations in Final report RS 2021:01 Delta One – passengers overboard at Skutskär, Uppsala County, 7 August 2020.

Introduction

Below we describe our reasoning in respect of the safety recommendations the report directs at the Swedish Transport Agency and how we will handle them.

Handling of recommendations

The Swedish Transport Agency is recommended to:

• *Take action to ensure that survey, no matter how and by whom it is performed, within the segment of commercial vessels 5–15 m., becomes so efficient that a safety effect is achieved (see section 3.4). (RS 2021:01 R1)*

Response:

Each year, the Transport Agency produces a report (Analytical Forum for Risk-based Surveying within Domestic Maritime Transport) into how the risk-based survey regime will prioritise the various categories and segments of vessel that have been identified. This report results in a survey plan that describes the vessels on which survey activities will be taking place and which random testing campaigns will be conducted. The data on which the report is based are expected to improve gradually as surveying of both vessels and documentation continues.

The Transport Agency also believes that improved safety is being achieved through:

- Holding continual training programmes for surveyors and case officers
- Continuing to develop the system for risk-based surveying
- Introducing online training for information coordinators who are self-declaring for the first time

- Conducting inspections of documentation as a complement to surveying on board the vessel.
- *Inform the industry of potential deficiencies with inflatable life jackets, relevant actions to update such life jackets according to existent requirements, and keeping them in good shape (see section 3.3). (RS 2021:01 R2)*

Response:

The Transport Agency is preparing an information programme concerning the deficiencies that inflatable life jackets can have, and about actions to update these life jackets in accordance with applicable requirements. The plan is also for the information programme to include life jacket safety and how to keep life jackets in good condition.

Decisions in this case have been made by Head of Section Analysis Section Andreas Tapani. Heads of unit Pernilla Wallin and Simon Posluk, heads of section Fredrik Hellsberg, Fredrik Jonsson, Lotta Taxén and Henrik Pahlm, and Linda, accident coordinator, participated in the final processing of this case, the latter acting as rapporteur.

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