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The Association Veteranflottiljen

Assessment of recommendation response from the Association Veteranflottiljen

On 5 September 2025, the Swedish Accident Investigation Authority (SHK) published a final report (SHK 2025:16) into the near collision between the veteran vessel YSTAD and the passenger vessel SILVERPILEN that occurred at Gålö in Stockholm Archipelago on 7 September 2024.

In the report, SHK directed one safety recommendation at the Association Veteranflottiljen. The recommendation for the association was that, for future events, coordination between the participating vessels should be improved, risk assessments conducted, and risk-mitigating measures implemented. Additionally, communication with surrounding traffic should be strengthened (SHK 2025:16 R2).

The Association Veteranflottiljen has responded to the safety recommendation. They have described the measures that have been implemented and are planned and the response includes the following. In April/May of each year, before the start of the season, Veteranflottiljen will convene a joint meeting with operators/owners/mariners at which safety issues and risk analyses will be addressed and discussed. Ahead of major events, Veteranflottiljen will more clearly direct operations by issuing a Flottilla Order containing rules for implementation and a risk analysis. There will be specific rules for VHF traffic and the risk of incorrect channel scanning. They will also be communicating their activities through the VTS in order to orient other seafarers in the area.

In light of this response, SHK deems the safety recommendation to have been implemented (Concluded – satisfactory response).

Best regards,

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