



SAFETY ALERT No. 18-09

IMCA Safety Flash 21/18

1. Introduction

- 1.1 New Safety Flash issued by the International Marine Contractors Association (IMCA).
- 1.2 The Bahamas Maritime Authority wishes to bring the information referenced in paragraph 2 to the attention of interested parties¹.

2. IMCA Safety Flash 21/18

- 2.1 Safety Flash 21/18 is available for download from the IMCA website at:

<https://www.imca-int.com/alerts/downloads/safety-flash/21/>

- 2.2 IMCA Safety Flash 21/18 – September 2018, summarises the following:

- i. Unplanned Deployment of Free Fall Lifeboat.
- ii. Life Raft Self Activates and Falls to the Quayside.
- iii. Costly Damage to Azimuth Thruster Caused by Fishing Gear.
- iv. Control Module Failure Caused Main Engine Sudden Reduction to Idle Speed.
- v. Inadequate Maintenance and Securing Arrangements of Emergency Exit Hatches.

3. Validity

- 3.1. This alert is valid until further notice.

4. Revision History

Rev.0 (19 September 2018) – First issue

¹ This Safety Alert is provided by the Bahamas Maritime Authority with the aim of highlighting incidents, lessons learnt and to increase awareness, which may help avoid similar incidents occurring elsewhere. Any queries on the content of the information provided should be referred to the party providing the information.
