

A close-up photograph of a braided rope knot. The rope is primarily blue with yellow accents. The knot is a reef knot (square knot), which is a common maritime knot. The word "UKRAINE" is overlaid in the center of the knot in a white, bold, sans-serif font. The background is a plain, light-colored surface.

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The Ministry of infrastructure of Ukraine
issued an order approving the
SECTORAL PROGRAMME
for maritime safety for
2014 – 2018

The Programme's principal objectives are to:

- Ensure safe operation of maritime and inland water transport, as well as shipping companies
- Prevent accidents on maritime and inland water transport by way of enhancing the operation of the state system for maritime safety and making it conform to international and national requirements

SECTORAL PROGRAMME

for maritime safety for 2014 – 2018

The Programme's main tasks:

- Responding to incidents of violence on maritime and inland water transport
- Environmental protection
- Ensure maritime safety and security
- Advance the national system for search and rescue operation at sea
- Ensure safe and secure inland water navigation

International agreements and documents Ukraine intends to accede to:

- Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims 1976
- International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-fouling Systems on Ships
- International convention on salvage 1989
- Protocol 1988 to International convention on load lines, 1966
- Protocol 2002 to Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea 1974
- Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks 2007

IMO Conventions: total **62**



Of which Ukraine has ratified **27**

- International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS)
- International convention MARPOL
- International Convention on Standard of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping
- International convention Convention on Maritime Search and Rescue (SAR)

National Legislation

- Merchant ship[ping code of Ukraine
- Law of Ukraine «On transport»
- Law of Ukraine «On sea ports of Ukraine»
- Ordinance of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 17.07.2014 No 300 «On approval of the Regulation on the state inspectorate for safety on maritime transport and inland water navigation»
- Ordinance of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 04.03.1997 No 204 «On approval of the Procedure for oversight of transport safety»
- Order of the Ministry of transport of Ukraine of 17.07.2003 No 545 «On approval of the Rules for inspecting ships to ensure maritime safety»



On 1 March 2014 in Brussels the political part of the Association Agreement was signed by Ukraine and the EU, the European Atomic Energy Community and the EU Member States; the economic part of this agreement was signed on 27 June 2014

On 16 September the Parliament of Ukraine and the European Parliament simultaneously ratified the Association Agreement



In connection with the signing and ratification of the Association Agreement between Ukraine and the EU, Ukraine is currently implementing in its national legislation the following legislative acts of the European Union:

- Directive 2009/16/EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 23 April 2009 on port State control
- Directive 2009/21/EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 23 April 2009 on compliance with flag State requirements
- Directive 2009/15/EC OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 23 April 2009 on common rules and standards for ship inspection and survey organizations and for the relevant activities of maritime administrations

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION OF UKRAINE

In accordance with its statute, the Ministry of infrastructure of Ukraine performs functions of the Maritime Administration of Ukraine

Functions of the Maritime Administration of Ukraine

Certain functions of the Maritime Administration of Ukraine are carried out by the State Inspectorate for Safety of Maritime and Inland Water Transport, the activities of which are coordinated by the Cabinet of Ministers through the Minister of infrastructure

State port control and flag state control

The State Inspectorate for Safety of Maritime and Inland Water Transport carries out the functions of state port control and flag state control

State Inspectorate for Safety of Maritime and Inland Water Transport

Principal tasks of the State Inspectorate for Safety of Maritime and Inland Water Transport:

- Implementation of the government policy in the area of safety of maritime and inland water transport
- Submit for consideration to the Infrastructure Ministry proposals aimed to formulate the government policy in the area of safety of maritime and inland water transport
- Implement the state oversight (control) of safety of maritime and inland water transport
- Provision of administrative service in the maritime and inland water transport sector as specified by law

Environmental protection

The State Inspectorate for Safety of Maritime and Inland Water Transport:

- carries out an oversight of compliance with requirements aiming to prevent environmental pollution caused by maritime and inland water transport;
- ensures prevention of environmental pollution by ships, including ships sailing under Ukrainian flag

Ukraine has now embarked on reforming its government bodies

The reform is being carried out in accordance with commitments Ukraine has assumed under the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement and directly concerns executive government bodies involved in performing the functions of the Maritime Administration of Ukraine

The ongoing work

Creation of the Information system of the State Inspectorate for Safety of Maritime and Inland Water Transport will enable to:

- Integrate disconnected information resources into a single information system and simplify provision of administrative services by implementing centralized data collection and processing and by decentralizing provision of administrative services
- Ensure prompt retrieval of information about the results of state control, as well as its fast distribution among the parties concerned
- Ensure implementation of Article 6 of Directive 2009/21/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on compliance with flag State requirements

Plans and prospects

- Setting up a new body
- Implementing a Quality Management System
- Preparing for audit by International Maritime Organization
- Undergoing an audit by International Maritime Organization

