

	SHIPS CLASSIFICATION MALAYSIA			
	SCM CIRCULAR			
QUALITY MATTERS	TO SHIPOWNERS, MASTERS, AGENTS AND RELEVANT INTEREST PARTIES			
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TITLE	Harmonized survey for Safety Radio Certificate			

Since the safety radio certificate under the Harmonized Survey System is valid for 5 years the certificate will require annual endorsements to maintain its validity. Previously the radio certificates were valid for only 1 year and upon completion of radio survey a new certificate was issued for another year. Radio surveys are being carried out by approved radio survey companies who are not authorized to endorse the certificate.

To enable the radio certificates to be endorsed after the radio survey is carried out, owners have 3 options:

1. Radio survey to be carried out in presence of SCM surveyor while the other class and statutory surveys are carried out *or*
2. Radio survey is carried out before the other class and statutory survey and report is submitted to SCM for verification. At time of surveyors attendance on board he may endorse the radio cert *or*
3. Radio survey is carried out without the attendance of SCM surveyor, radio report is submitted to SCM, when the vessel is in Port Kelang, Penang or Sibul, agent brings the certificate to SCM for endorsement. (only for vessel calling Port Kelang, Penang or Sibul)

Owners are advised to plan the radio survey well in order to have the certificate endorsed before the end of the window period.