



Milan, March 01st 2023

Circular 0323

To whom it may concern,

Subject: Recertification audit

Recertification audits shall be carried out at the end of the certificate's period of validity or with a maximum of **6 months** in advance of the expiry date of the certificate.

Exceptions for valid reasons, are allowed but must be communicated in advance and approved by Friend of the Sea.

The CB shall inspect the complete checklist (Essential, Important and Recommended requirements) of the applicable standard(s) during all audits.

All other provisions of FOS 0001 remain valid and applicable.

In faith,
Paolo Bray
Director and founder of Friend of the Sea

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paolo Bray', written in a cursive style.