

MANAGEMENT SYSTEM MANUAL

ARM 7.5.1 R/V Armstrong Chief Engineer's Standing Orders

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1. Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to set forth general guidance from the Chief Engineer to the Engine Department on the Armstrong.

2. General

- A. Watchstanders will be alert, well rested and sober
 - 1. If your relief appears to be anything but the above, notify the Chief Engineer
- B. Oncoming Engineers
 - 1. Become familiar with the equipment you are responsible for
 - 2. Know how to start/stop an engine and put it on/off line
 - 3. Know how to start fire pumps and put proper pressure on line.
 - 4. Know how to pump bilges and transfer ballast
 - 5. Know how to transfer fuel
 - 6. DO NOT be afraid to ask questions
 - 7. Know your Fire and Boat Drill Station
 - 8. Carry a flashlight and wear PPE when required
- C. Inspect all equipment before starting
 - 1. Check fluid levels
 - 2. DO NOT start any equipment that status is not known:
 - 1. If you are not sure how to operate
 - 2. If recently has been worked on
 - 3. If equipment does not appear to be in working order
- D. Rounds of the main and auxiliary engine, switchboard, drive, MSD and steering gear rooms are to be made once every hour during watch
 - 1. Twice by the Engineer during the watch
 - 2. Twice by the Oiler during the watch
 - 3. The rounds should also include the workshop area with particular attention to the CPP HPU's and water quality package for stern tube cooling.
 - 4. Rounds will be made more often if situations warrant, (i.e.: weather or machinery problems)
- E. Rounds of the outside engine spaces are to be done twice per watch.
 - 1. Areas include fan, bow thruster with particular attention to the refrigeration systems, stern thruster, emergency generator, forward mechanical,

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transformer, transducer, UPS and winch room. This round is to include the hydrographic winches or any science winches that are operating on deck.

- 2. In general, a walk-through of the ship looking for anything out of the ordinary. (i.e. leaks, vibrations, and odors)
 - a. Rounds will be made more often if situations warrant, (i.e.: weather or machinery problems)
- F. During rounds, watchstanders will check all operating machinery including the emergency generator and the auto-standby engine.
 - 1. Fluid levels are to be adjusted as necessary.
 - 1a. Fuel, oil, and water levels
 - 2. Temperatures and pressures
 - 3. Inspect for leaks, odd vibrations, and unusual noises
- G. Notify the Bridge when changing engines and when science gear is ready to be used
 - 1. Also inform Bridge if any major equipment cannot be used, i.e.:
 - a. Repair in progress
- H. The first engineer and chief engineer shall be notified if any of the following should occur. The Bridge will also be notified so they can slow down/stop or take whatever action is necessary to prevent any further damage to the equipment.
 - 1. Main engine or main motor failure
 - 2. Steering or control failure
 - 3. Blue Drive failure
 - 4. Science gear problems
 - 5. Any problem that is critical and cannot be solved by you.
- I. DO NOT attempt to make any repairs or adjustments to operating machinery.
 - 1. Notify the first assistant or chief engineer
 - 2. Secure the equipment if necessary
 - 3. Put another unit on line if available
 - 4. Wait until equipment is secured
- J. DO NOT engage in a work project that will take your full attention
- K. There shall be an engineer or oiler available in the following areas at all times:
 - 1. In the control room if situations warrant
 - a. Bad weather (i.e.: heavy seas, ice, or reduced visibility)

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- b. Maneuvering (i.e.: entering/leaving port, high traffic areas)
- 2. In the main/auxiliary engine room
- 3. In the shop
 - a. Be aware of the phone

L. Bow thruster operations

- 1. The oiler on watch shall make a thorough inspection of the bow thruster before it is operated:
 - a. Oil levels
 - b. Proper operation of motors/pumps
 - c. Area under and around thruster is clear
 - d. Bilge is dry
- 2. Notify the engineer when bow thruster is ready, that engineer shall then notify the bridge that it is okay to operate.
- 3. Standby the thruster until control is acquired on the bridge and has been operated satisfactorily.

M. Keep all engine spaces clean

- 1. Clean up oil spills/leaks
- 2. Pick up rags/trash
- 3. Put tools away where they belong

N. Watertight Boundaries

- 1. Maintain watertight boundaries as required.
- 2. Verify and secure all hatches in spaces that are unoccupied

3. Reporting

The Chief Engineer shall maintain a set of standing orders. These standing orders shall be provided to the Ship Operation Group. Any time standing orders are changed or new ones promulgated, a copy of these orders shall be provided to the Ship Operations Group.

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