

ITEM: CARGO CARE PROCEDURES

FINDING: No procedures on board for taking care of steel cargoes

WHY DO WE INSPECT THIS?

FACTS AND FIGURES

- 14 % of inspected vessels within the ArcelorMittal ship inspection programme don't have procedures on board for taking care of steel cargoes (which includes cargo hold preparation and hold ventilation)
- 23% of inspected vessels show reaction to silver nitrate testing, meaning that chlorides are present in the cargo hold which may affect steel cargoes during the passage
- Condensation in the cargo hold during a longer sea passage is equally an important factor in wetting damage claims

RISK WHEN NO PROCEDURES ARE AVAILABLE

- When the Company does not issue guidelines, the safety of the cargo on these aspects depends on the crew alone. Not all crew have the same level of experience or are equally familiar with the carriage of steel cargoes



Example of a P&I procedure

WHAT KIND OF FEEDBACK IS EXPECTED?

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

- Provision of guidelines to the crew on how to take care of steel cargoes:
 - This can be specific guidelines issued by the company and tailor-made to be relevant to the type of ships, cargoes and voyages
 - Alternately, there are many P&I procedures available which issue the same advice. See the general guidelines for providing feedback, or consult your P&I Club's website

PREVENTIVE MEASURES

- Explanation on how the procedures were communicated and how you will ensure implementation