

14 March 1968

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1. The door that is hinged at the top that closes off the sales counter to the ship's service store (Officer's Lounge) is entirely too heavy and presents a serious safety hazard. The hold-back hooks are being straightened out and and pad eyes that support the door may be attached to a type of plasterboard.

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*E.*  
*RECOMMENDATION: Replace heavy door with a lightweight door of expanded metal covered with a thin metal or plexiglass.*

2. The electrical panel in the service store is located in a recessed area, leaving from storage bins in the ship's service store.

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5. The electrical panel in the service store is located in a recessed area, leaving from storage bins in the ship's service store.

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7. The sterilizer and scrub room is fitted with a pressure gauge.

*D.*  
*RECOMMENDATION: Remove gauge and replace with dry chemical detector.*

8. The bulletin board in the 1274 is covered with plate glass (Medical Department).

*D.*  
*RECOMMENDATION: Replace glass with plexiglass or safety glass.*

9. There are two holes in a junction box in the sterilizer and scrub room (Medical Department).

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*RECOMMENDATION: Plug holes to make box explosion-proof.*

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S. 10. The conductive decking adjacent to the operating room is being waxed, which to some extent nullifies the purpose of this type decking.

RECOMMENDATION: Remove wax and refrain from waxing this area.

D. 11. The 15-pound CO<sub>2</sub> extinguisher at 01-100-1 is not properly secured.

RECOMMENDATION: Alter storage rack so that strap does not slip off bottom of cylinder.

E. 12. The grounding prong has been broken off the electric plug on the hemato-crit centrifuge. (Medical Department)

RECOMMENDATION: Replace defective plug.

E. 13. The portable electric cord on a Phillips Drucker centrifuge is smaller than 18 AWG and has been spliced.

RECOMMENDATION: Replace electric cord with a three-conductor cord of continuous length without splices.

E. 14. Globe missing from lighting fixture in two storerooms at 01-108-2.

RECOMMENDATION: Replace with globes.

E. 15. Small portable lamp in dental office not grounded.

RECOMMENDATION: Replace two-conductor cord and plug with three-conductor type.

E. 16. The scuttlebutt at 01-125-1 is not grounded.

RECOMMENDATION: Replace two-conductor cord using three-conductor type.

D. 17. The 15-pound CO<sub>2</sub> extinguisher at FE 01-136-2 has not been weighed since 15 January 1968.

RECOMMENDATION: Weight each such extinguisher monthly.

D. 18. Numerous lifejacket instruction cards are obsolete and contain wrong information.

RECOMMENDATION: Procure MSTS Form 3131/3 of 3-66 and post.

W.H. 19. The Medical Department is not maintaining a Conductivity Log.

RECOMMENDATION: Establish a log and maintain conductivity readings.

D. 20. General John Pope's picture is covered with plate glass.

RECOMMENDATION: Replace glass with plexiglass or safety glass.

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D. 21. Many bunks and mirrors do not have signs posted: "Avoid deadly fire gas. Do not smoke in bed."

RECOMMENDATION: Post stickers.

E. 22. The scuttlebutt at 1-78-1 is supplied current through a non-polarized plug.

RECOMMENDATION: Replace with polarized plug.

E. 23. The lifeboat battery charging cord on #1 motor lifeboat is not of the type that will pull fall if the boat was lowered.

RECOMMENDATION: Rearrange means of attachment so that the cord will pull fall when boat is lowered.

D. 24. No one-inch (1") band of luminous tape around the end of the mechanical release lever.

RECOMMENDATION: Install 1" band of tape on handle end, IAW COMSTSINST 9280.3B, art. 6.3e.

D. 25. The wording on the mechanical release lever in #1 motor lifeboat is not proper.

RECOMMENDATION: Replace label plate with one reading: DANGER - LEVER DROPS BOAT.

D. 26. Several 15-pound CO2 extinguishers at 1-15-2 are stored in bins and not secured.

RECOMMENDATION: Store each compressed gas cylinder in suitable racks and fasten by means such as metal collars.

D. 27. Paint and allied products in the lamp locker are not properly secured.

RECOMMENDATION: Install retaining bars or battens on fins. Excess containers should be transferred to another flammable liquids locker.

D. 28. There is a considerable amount of grease, oil, etc. stowed in the carpenter's shop.

RECOMMENDATION: Store bulk containers of flammable substances in a flammable liquids locker.

D. 29. No non-skid material on deck around band saw in the carpenter's shop.

RECOMMENDATION: Install slip-resistant material.

D. 30. General alarm bell on bridge is not properly marked.

RECOMMENDATION: Replace missing label plate with GENERAL ALARM.

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31. No slip resistant material on deck at the helmsman's station on the bridge.

RECOMMENDATION: Install grating and secure or install rubber matting.

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