

- monitoring the implementation of provisions ensuring the security of:
- a) ships flying the Bulgarian flag;
- b) ports in the Republic of Bulgaria;
- collection and submitting information to the Minister of Transport, Information technology and Communications about the execution of the requirements for service life of ports and objects under art. 111a, par. 1 of the Law on the sea spaces, inland waterways and ports of the Republic of Bulgaria.
- shall give proposal to the Minister of Transport, Information technology and Communications for suspension of the activity or for temporary or permanent limitation of the operation of ports that do not meet the requirements of the law or deliver port services in violation of Art. 116, para. 5, Law on the sea spaces, inland waterways and ports of the Republic of Bulgaria.
- shall exercise control on the observation of the technical safety of the port facilities, labor safety and of the safely conduct of cargo operations;
- shall set security levels on ships flying the Bulgarian flag and for the ports of the Republic of Bulgaria;
- shall exercise control on the observation of the requirements for open access to ports for public transport;
- shall give proposals to the Minister of Transport, Information technology and Communications about the revision of the amount of port charges;
- shall support the Minister of Transport, Information technology and Communications in the motoring of the implementation of the concession contracts as well as the implementation of the contracts under § 74 para. 3 of the Law amending and supplementing the Law on the sea spaces, inland waterways and ports of the Republic of Bulgaria (SG. 24, 2004);
- shall exercise control on the implementation of the contracts under art. 117b, para. 1 Law on the sea spaces, inland waterways and ports of the Republic of Bulgaria;
- shall support the Minister of Transport, Information technology and Communications in the programming the activities and monitoring the investments in the construction, reconstruction and modernization of the transport corridors in the field of maritime transport (ports, waterways, inland waterways), financed by the state budget or by loans, guaranteed by the state;
- shall support the Minister of Transport, Information technology and Communications in the coordination of detailed structural plans through which the territory and aquatory for construction of ports under art. 107 – 109 and of objects under art. 111a, para. 1, Law on the sea spaces, inland waterways and ports of the Republic of Bulgaria, are allotted;
- shall support the Minister of Transport, Information technology and Communications in the coordination of documents for the allotment of land and water areas for construction along the Black Sea and The Danube coastline, in the inland waterways and the territorial sea and areas of operation of the means of navigation security;
- shall submit to the Minister of Transport, Information technology and Communications motivated positions on the investment initiatives for construction of new or expansion of existing ports for public transport;
- shall approve the plans for the accepting and processing of waste;

- shall coordinate the port operators' plans prepared in cases of disasters, emergencies and accidents;
- shall execute other functions, assigned by the law or by an act of the Council of Ministers.

The Agency shall examine the European experience and shall propose to the board of the Fund "Inland waterways" measures for the regulation of the inland waterways fleet's capacity and shall carry out the organizational and technical insurance of the Fund's activity. The Agency conducts examinations for professional competence for licensing of carriers of cargo on the inland waterways.

The territorial jurisdiction of the Agency shall extend to:

- internal sea waters;
- territorial sea;
- the Bulgarian section of the Danube river;
- the 100 m coastal line, starting from the lowest tide line; where there are settlements or a height within less than 100 m of the lowest tide line, the coastal line borders shall repeat the borders of the settlement on the sea side or shall cross the peak of the height;
- The 100 m bank line, starting from the line where the waters of the Danube river meet the ground on the Bulgarian side when lowest.
- The territory of ports including the areas under art. 103, para. 6 and the objects under art. 111a, para. 1, Law on the sea spaces, inland waterways and ports of the Republic of Bulgaria, with exception of military ports.