

*Automated Mutual Assistance Vessel Rescue System*  
**U.S. Coast Guard**



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### **Amver ship saves two sailors in the Caribbean Sea**

**NEW YORK** – Two sailors were rescued by the Amver participating ship Clipper Glory after their sailboat lost power on a voyage from the Dominican Republic to Antigua July 24, 2011.

The captain of the Clipper Glory says his crew noticed two flares and diverted towards the distress location. They came alongside the sailboat and were met by two yachtsmen who requested to be taken off their boat. The skipper of the sailboat suffers from high blood pressure and the other passenger, his daughter, strongly urged her father to abandon the disabled boat. Both survivors were helped aboard the Clipper Glory and stayed on board until the Hong Kong flagged ship reached port in Norfolk, Va. The sailboat was marked as hazard to navigation and left adrift.

The Clipper Glory, managed by Maritime Capital Shipping (HK) Ltd, enrolled in the Amver system on March 24, 2011.

Amver, sponsored by the United States Coast Guard, is a unique, computer-based, and voluntary global ship reporting system used worldwide by search and rescue authorities to arrange for assistance to persons in distress at sea. With Amver, rescue coordinators can identify participating ships in the area of distress and divert the best-suited ship or ships to respond. Prior to sailing, participating ships send a sail plan to the Amver computer center. Vessels then report every 48 hours until arriving at their port of call. This data is able to project the position of each ship at any point during its voyage. In an emergency, any rescue coordination center can request this data to determine the relative position of Amver ships near the distress location. On any given day there are over 4,000 ships available to carry out search and rescue services. Visit <http://www.amver.com> to learn more about this unique worldwide search and rescue system.

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