

Merchant Shipping Directorate



Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage) Regulations, 2011 Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) (Amendment) Regulations, 2011

Merchant Shipping Notice 91

Notice to Shipowners, Ship Operators and Managers, Masters, Owners' representatives and recognised organisations

The Directorate would like to draw the attention of all concerned to the publication of the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage) Regulations, 2011 published on 6 May 2011, as Legal Notice 176 of 2011 and the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) (Amendment) Regulations, 2011 published on 10 May 2011, as Legal Notice 183 of 2011. Both regulations shall enter into force on 30 June 2011.

The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage) Regulations, 2011 provide the legal framework for the transposition and implementation of Annex IV to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973 (MARPOL Convention), whilst the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) (Amendment) Regulations, 2011 provide the legal framework for the transposition and implementation of Annex VI to the MARPOL Convention. The Annexes shall both enter into force for Malta on 30 June 2011.

The replacement of the Statement/Document of Compliance with the International Certificate in respect of Annexes IV and VI shall be carried out at any one of the following occasions arising on or after 30 June 2011, whichever is the earliest:

- change of flag;
- owner's request;
- re-issue of certification
 (consequential to changes in technical requirements, certification details/entries, etc);
- renewal survey.

In any case international certification is to be effected by latest 31 December 2012.

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