



Merchant Shipping Directorate



## 9 GHz RADAR REQUIREMENTS FOR YACHTS < 300 GT

### Commercial Yachting Notice 8

*Notice to Yacht Owners, Yacht Operators, Managers, Masters, Owners' Representatives, Appointed Surveyors and Recognised Organisations*

The Directorate would like to draw the attention of all concerned that following feedback from industry stakeholders and after careful consideration, a decision has been taken to amend, with immediate effect, the requirement concerning 9 GHz X-Band radars for yachts < 300 GT as detailed in the [CYC 2020](#) Section 15.2.2.7.

CYC Code Section 15.2.2.7 should now read:

*“All yachts shall be equipped with a MED or CE Certified (for yachts < 300 GT) 9 GHz X-Band radar capable of determining and displaying the range and bearing of radar transponders (SARTs), and of other surface craft, obstructions, buoys, shorelines and navigational marks to assist in navigation and in collision avoidance. For yachts  $\geq$  300GT the unit shall be capable of triggering a SART transponder within at least a 5nm radius.”*

Any active recommendations concerning the replacement of the 9 GHz radar on yachts < 300 GT, requiring compliance with the 5nm triggering radius, shall be duly deleted and the owners/managers shall be informed by their respective RO/Appointed Surveyor accordingly.

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