



Merchant Shipping Directorate



AUTHORISED CLASSIFICATION SOCIETIES

Merchant Shipping Notice 96 Rev.4

*Notice to Shipowners, Ship Operators, Managers, Masters,
Owners' Representatives and Recognised Organisations*

1. A merchant vessel both at the time that is being registered as a Maltese ship and during the period of its registration under the Malta flag must be classed with a classification society authorised to issue statutory certificates on behalf of the Government of Malta.

2. The list of these classification societies has been revised as follows:

*American Bureau of Shipping (ABS)
Bureau Veritas (BV)
China Classification Society (CCS)
Croatian Register of Shipping (CRS)
ClassNK (NK)
Det Norske Veritas (DNV)
Indian Register of Shipping (IRS)
Korean Register of Shipping (KR)
Lloyd's Register (LR)
Polish Register of Shipping (PRS)
Registro Italiano Navale (RINA)*

3. Existing procedures requiring a ship by ship authorisation for a classification society listed in this notice to issue statutory certificates on behalf of the Government of Malta shall remain in effect.

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