



Merchant Shipping Directorate



Transport Malta

19th RUSSIA SANCTIONS PACKAGE

Merchant Shipping Notice 200

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

The Merchant Shipping Directorate draws the attention of all concerned to the 19th package of restrictive measures adopted by the Council of the European Union to respond to actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.

Within the existing framework for sanctions, the restrictive measures have, inter alia, been extended to cover additional individuals and entities. A ban on Russian LNG imports has been implemented, along with a full transaction ban on major Russian oil and gas companies for EU imports. Additionally, an import ban on a variant of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) was introduced.

The sanctions list an additional 117 vessels, bringing a total of 557 vessels in Russia's shadow fleet now listed by the EU. Such vessels are subject to a port access ban and a ban on receiving services. The sanctions also extend the existing port infrastructure ban, which will enable the EU to list ports in third countries. The package mirrors all trade-related provisions in the Belarus sanctions regime as per previous practice.

All those concerned, including owners of ships registered in Malta, shipping organisations established in Malta or operating Maltese ships and masters of Maltese ships are requested to comply with these measures at all times and to extend their full cooperation for their effective enforcement. The shipping community is reminded, without prejudice, that the use of Maltese ships in any such violation may be considered as being against the interest of Malta and of Maltese shipping and may lead, inter alia, to the imposition of penalties and closure of the registry.

The relevant legal acts are available at:

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_25_2491

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