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Applicable to: Ship owners, managers, operators, masters, crew members, surveyors and the shipping community

MERCHANT SHIPPING (SAFETY CONVENTION) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2015

- 1. This circular informs the shipping community on the entering into force of the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) (Amendment) Regulations 2015.
- 2. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) at its ninety-fourth session, had adopted amendments to SOLAS 74, as amended, by resolution MSC.380(94). In recognising the need to implement the new SOLAS regulation XI-1/7 early to expedite the carriage of portable atmosphere testing instruments, MSC through MSC/Circ.1485, had invited SOLAS Contracting Governments to voluntarily implement SOLAS regulation XI-1/7 to ships entitled to fly their flags as soon as practicable.
- 3. <u>Shipping Circular No. 4 of 2015</u> and <u>Shipping Circular No. 8 of 2015</u> provides further information on the MSC resolution and circular.
- 4. The Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) (Amendment) Regulations 2015, which give effect to the resolution, will enter into force on <u>1 July 2015</u>.
- 5. Copies of the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) (Amendment) Regulations 2015 (Government Gazette No.**S375**/**2015**) may be purchased at:

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