



REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS

SHIPPING DEPUTY MINISTRY TO THE PRESIDENT

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To all Registered owners, Registered bareboat charterers
Managers and Representatives of Passenger Ships flying the Cyprus Flag

To all Owners, Managers, Representatives and Agents in Cyprus of Passenger Ships,
irrespective of flag they are flying, calling at Cyprus ports
c/o Cyprus Shipping Association

**Subject: Harmonisation with the European Union Directive (EU) 2017/2108:
The Merchant Shipping (Safety Rules and Standards for Passenger
Ships) Law of 2020 (Law 190(I)/2020).**

1. I refer to the above subject and wish to inform you of the enactment of the ***Merchant Shipping (Safety Rules and Standards for Passenger Ships) Law of 2020 (Law 190(I)/2020)***¹.
2. The purpose of **Law 190(I)/2020** is to transpose into the law of the Republic of Cyprus, European Union Directive (EU) 2017/2108², which amends Directive 2009/45/EC, and to repeal the existing Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ship Safety Rules and Standards) Laws of 2002 and 2004 by which Consolidated Directive 2009/45/EC had been transposed into the Cypriot legal order. Therefore, this said Law also includes the provisions of Directive 2009/45/EC which have not been repealed or amended by Directive (EU) 2017/2108.
3. The text of the above EU Directive is available on the European Union website at <http://eur-lex.europa.eu>.
4. A translation into English language of **Law 190(I)/2020** will soon be available on the Shipping Deputy Ministry's website at www.shipping.gov.cy (selecting Legislation/Consolidated Cyprus Shipping Legislation/National Instruments).

¹ Published in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Cyprus No. 4794, Supplement I(I), dated 17.12.2020.

² of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 November 2017 amending Directive 2009/45/EC on safety rules and standards for passenger ships.



The recipients of this Circular should strictly abide by the above new Law.



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- Attorney General of the Republic
 - Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
 - Maritime Offices of the Department of Merchant Shipping abroad
 - Diplomatic Missions and Honorary Consular Officers of the Republic
 - Cyprus Shipping Chamber
 - Cyprus Union of Shipowners
 - Cyprus Bar Association

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