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MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT,  
COMMUNICATIONS AND WORKS



DEPARTMENT  
OF MERCHANT SHIPPING  
LEMESOS

Circular No. 12/2015

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To all Registered owners, Registered bareboat charterers  
Managers and Representatives of ships flying the Cyprus Flag  
and Recognised Organisations

To all Managers of European Union ships based in Cyprus

To all Suppliers/Sellers of marine equipment in Cyprus (c/o Associated Members of  
Cyprus Shipping Chamber)

**Subject: Transposition of the European Commission Directive 2014/93/EU of 18<sup>th</sup>  
July 2014 by:**

- **The Merchant Shipping (Marine Equipment) Order of 2015**
- **The Merchant Shipping (Marine Equipment) Notification of 2015**

1. I refer to the above subject and I wish to inform you that the Minister of Transport, Communications and Works of the Republic of Cyprus, in exercising his powers under section 22(1) as well as under sections 2 and 6(3) of the Merchant Shipping (Marine Equipment) Laws 2002 – 2006 (Law 55(I)/2002 as amended), issued respectively the Merchant Shipping (Marine Equipment) Order of 2015, P.I 198/2015<sup>1</sup> and the Merchant Shipping (Marine Equipment) Notification of 2015, P.I 192/2015<sup>2</sup>.
2. The said new Order and Notification transpose the European Commission Directive 2014/93/EU of the 18<sup>th</sup> July 2014, amending Directive 96/98/EC on Marine Equipment, in the above Law.
3. In transposing the above Directive, Order P.I. 198/2015 substitutes Schedule A of Law 55(I)/2002 as amended, with a New Schedule A identical in text to Annex A of Directive 2014/93/EU, (available on the European Union website at <http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/>).
4. In addition, the Notification P.I. 192/2015 sets out the equipment to which section 6 (3) of Law 55(I)/2002 as amended, refers to.

Thus, as a result of the provisions of Article 2 of Directive 2014/93/EU, equipment listed in Schedule A.1 of the Law as having been transferred from Schedule A.2 of the

<sup>1</sup> published in the Official Gazette of the Republic No. 4876, Supplement III(I), dated 5.6.2015-

<sup>2</sup> published in the Official Gazette of the Republic No. 4875, Supplement III(I), dated 29.5.2015.



Law which was manufactured before the 14<sup>th</sup> August 2015 in conformity with procedures for type-approval already in force before that date within the territory of the Republic of Cyprus, may continue to be placed on the market and on board a Cyprus Ship or a Community ship until the 14<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

5. According to Directive 2014/93/EU, its provisions shall be applied by the EU Member States as from the 14<sup>th</sup> August 2015. Therefore, Order P.I. 198/2015 and Notification P.I. 192/2015 will be implemented by this Administration as from the above date.

All recipients of the present Circular should strictly abide by the above new Order and Notification.



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  - Diplomatic Missions and Honorary Consular Officers of the Republic
  - Cyprus Shipping Chamber
  - Cyprus Union of Shipowners
  - Cyprus Bar Association