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**DEPARTMENT
OF MERCHANT SHIPPING
LEMESOS**

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To all Owners, Managers and Representatives
of ships under the Cyprus Flag

To all Recognized Classification Societies
and Inspectors of Cyprus Ships

To all Owners, Masters and Representatives of
Foreign Ships calling at Cyprus Ports

**Subject: MARPOL Annex IV (Regulations for the Prevention of Pollution by Sewage
from Ships) – Application deadline for existing ships**

This is to advise you that the provisions of Annex IV of MARPOL 73/78 as amended, entered into force on 27th September 2003.

Existing ships, constructed before 27th September 2003 and engaged in international voyages, of:

- (a) 400 gross tonnage and above, or
- (b) Less than 400 gross tonnage which are certified to carry more than 15 persons,

are required to comply with the provisions of this Annex latest by 27th September 2008.

Consequently, as from 27th September 2008, every ship under Cyprus Flag which is required to comply with the provisions of Annex IV should be surveyed and certified for compliance with all applicable regulations. Also, from that day, owners, masters and representatives of Foreign Vessels are required to comply with the provisions of this Annex when calling at Cyprus Ports.

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