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## MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND WORKS
## DEPARTMENT OF MERCHANT SHIPPING
## LEMESOS

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To all Owners, Managers
and Representatives
of Ships under the Cyprus Flag                                    18 June 2004

**Subject: Implementation of EU Harmonising Legislation: The Merchant Shipping (Prohibition of Organotin Compounds on Ships) Law of 2004**

1. I wish to inform you that the *Merchant Shipping (Prohibition of Organotin Compounds on Ships) Law of 2004 (Law 167(I)/2004)* was enacted for the effective implementation of Community *Regulation (EC) No. 2003/782.*

   The text of the above Community Regulation is available on the European Union website at http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/ in "Legislation/ Directory of Community legislation in force/Transport Policy/Shipping".

2. The *Merchant Shipping (Prohibition of Organotin Compounds on Ships) Law of 2004* entered into force on the 1st of May 2004 (date of accession of the Republic of Cyprus to the EU).

3. This Law contains enforcement measures providing for penalties against ships proven as not being in compliance with the provisions of the said Law.

4. Further details and requirements with regard to the effective implementation of this harmonising legislation will be communicated to you by a new Circular to be issued in the next few weeks.


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- Cyprus Shipping Council
- Cyprus Shipping Association
- Union of Cypriot Shipowners
- Union of European Shipowners with Cyprus Flag Ships
- Cyprus Bar Association
- Recognised Classification Societies


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