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**PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA ACT
(CHAPTER 243)**

**PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA (SEWAGE)
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2015**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 34 of the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea Act, the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore, with the approval of the Minister for Transport, makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Sewage) (Amendment) Regulations 2015 and come into operation on 1 January 2016.

Deletion and substitution of First Schedule

2. The First Schedule to the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Sewage) Regulations 2005 (G.N. No. S 135/2005) is deleted and the following Schedule substituted therefor:

“FIRST SCHEDULE

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**REGULATIONS FOR THE PREVENTION OF
POLLUTION BY SEWAGE FROM SHIPS**

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CHAPTER 1

General

Regulation 1

Definitions

For the purposes of this Annex:

- 1 *New ship* means a ship:
 - .1 for which the building contract is placed, or in the absence of a building contract, the keel of which is laid, or which is at a similar stage of construction, on or after the date of entry into force of this Annex; or
 - .2 the delivery of which is three years or more after the date of entry into force of this Annex.
- 2 *Existing ship* means a ship which is not a new ship.
- 3 *Sewage* means:
 - .1 drainage and other wastes from any form of toilets and urinals;
 - .2 drainage from medical premises (dispensary, sick bay, etc.) via wash basins, wash tubs and scuppers located in such premises;
 - .3 drainage from spaces containing living animals; or
 - .4 other waste waters when mixed with the drainages defined above.
- 4 *Holding tank* means a tank used for the collection and storage of sewage.
- 5 *Nearest land*. The term “*from the nearest land*” means from the baseline from which the territorial sea of the territory in question is established in accordance with international law, except that, for the purposes of the present Convention “*from the nearest land*” off the north-eastern coast of Australia shall mean from a line drawn from a point on the coast of Australia in:

latitude 11°00' S, longitude 142°08' E

to a point in latitude 10°35' S, longitude 141°55' E,

thence to a point latitude 10°00' S, longitude 142°00' E,

thence to a point latitude 9°10' S, longitude 143°52' E,

thence to a point latitude 9°00' S, longitude 144°30' E,
thence to a point latitude 10°41' S, longitude 145°00' E,
thence to a point latitude 13°00' S, longitude 145°00' E,
thence to a point latitude 15°00' S, longitude 146°00' E,
thence to a point latitude 17°30' S, longitude 147°00' E,
thence to a point latitude 21°00' S, longitude 152°55' E,
thence to a point latitude 24°30' S, longitude 154°00' E,
thence to a point on the coast of Australia in
latitude 24°42' S, longitude 153°15' E.

6 *Special area* means a sea area where for recognized technical reasons in relation to its oceanographical and ecological condition and to the particular character of its traffic the adoption of special mandatory methods for the prevention of sea pollution by sewage is required.

The special areas are:

- .1 the Baltic Sea area as defined in regulation 1.11.2 of Annex I of the Convention; and
- .2 any other sea area designated by the Organization in accordance with criteria and procedures for designation of special areas with respect to prevention of pollution by sewage from ships.*

* Refer to Assembly resolution A.927(22), Guidelines for the designation of special areas under MARPOL and guidelines for the identification and designation of particularly sensitive sea areas.

7 *International voyage* means a voyage from a country to which the present Convention applies to a port outside such country, or conversely.

8 *Person* means member of the crew and passengers.

9 *A passenger* means every person other than:

- .1 the master and the members of the crew or other persons employed or engaged in any capacity on board a ship on the business of that ship; and
- .2 a child under one year of age.

10 *A passenger ship* means a ship which carries more than 12 passengers.

For the application of regulation 11.3, a *new passenger ship* is a passenger ship:

- .1 for which the building contract is placed, or in the absence of a building contract, the keel of which is laid, or which is in a similar stage of construction, on or after 1 January 2016; or
- .2 the delivery of which is two years or more after 1 January 2016.

An *existing passenger ship* is a passenger ship which is not a new passenger ship.

11 *Anniversary date* means the day and the month of each year which will correspond to the date of expiry of the International Sewage Pollution Prevention Certificate.

12 *Audit* means a systematic, independent and documented process for obtaining audit evidence and evaluating it objectively to determine the extent to which audit criteria are fulfilled.

13 *Audit Scheme* means the IMO Member State Audit Scheme established by the Organization and taking into account the guidelines developed by the Organization*.

* Refer to *Framework and Procedures for the IMO Member State Audit Scheme*, adopted by the Organization resolution A.1067(28).

14 *Code for Implementation* means the IMO Instruments Implementation Code (III Code) adopted by the Organization by resolution A.1070(28).

15 *Audit Standard* means the Code for Implementation.

Regulation 2

Application

1 The provisions of this Annex shall apply to the following ships engaged in international voyages:

- .1 new ships of 400 gross tonnage and above; and
- .2 new ships of less than 400 gross tonnage which are certified to carry more than 15 persons; and
- .3 existing ships of 400 gross tonnage and above, five years after the date of entry into force of this Annex; and
- .4 existing ships of less than 400 gross tonnage which are certified to carry more than 15 persons, five years after the date of entry into force of this Annex.