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**MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT  
(CHAPTER 179)**

**MERCHANT SHIPPING (SAFETY CONVENTION)  
(AMENDMENT NO. 2) REGULATIONS 2014**

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 100 and 116 of the Merchant Shipping Act, the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore, with the approval of the Minister for Transport, hereby makes the following Regulations:

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 2014 and shall come into operation on 1 January 2015.

**Amendment of Regulation 2 of Chapter I**

2. Regulation 2 of Chapter I of the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) Regulations (Rg 11) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is amended by deleting the definition of “authorised organisation” and substituting the following definition:

“ “authorised organisation” means an organisation authorised under the Act for the survey or inspection of Singapore ships and the issue of any certificate under Part V of the Act;”.

**Amendment of Regulation 19 of Chapter III**

3. Regulation 19 of Chapter III of the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by deleting the words “muster of the passengers shall take place within 24 hours after their embarkation” in paragraph (b)(ii) and substituting the words “muster of newly-embarked passengers shall take place prior to or immediately upon departure”;

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- (b) by deleting the words “sailing, or immediately after sailing” in paragraph (b)(iii) and substituting the words “departure, or immediately after departure”;
  - (c) by deleting the words “if the muster is held immediately upon departure” in paragraph (b)(iii);
  - (d) by inserting, immediately after sub-paragraph (ii) of paragraph (c), the following sub-paragraph:
    - “(iii) Crew members with enclosed space entry or rescue responsibilities shall participate in an enclosed space entry and rescue drill to be held on board the ship at least once every 2 months.”;
  - (e) by inserting, immediately after sub-paragraph (iv) of paragraph (c), the following sub-paragraph:
    - “(vi) Enclosed space entry and rescue drills
      - (1) Enclosed space entry and rescue drills should be planned and conducted in a safe manner, taking into account, as appropriate, the guidance provided in the recommendations developed by the Organisation\*.
- \* Refer to the Revised Recommendations for Entering Enclosed Spaces Aboard Ships, adopted by the Organisation by resolution A.1050(27).
- (2) Each enclosed space entry and rescue drill shall include —
      - (A) checking and use of personal protective equipment required for entry;
      - (B) checking and use of communication equipment and procedures;
      - (C) checking and use of instruments for measuring the atmosphere in enclosed spaces;
      - (D) checking and use of rescue equipment and procedures; and
      - (E) instructions in first-aid and resuscitation techniques.”;
  - (f) by renumbering the existing sub-paragraphs (iii) and (iv) of paragraph (c) as sub-paragraphs (iv) and (v), respectively;
  - (g) by deleting the word “and” at the end of paragraph (d)(ii)(3);