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Notice to: Ship Owners / Managers/ Operators / Surveyors / Auditors :

This circular is issued to highlight the important changes related to MARPOL Annex V, specifically Resolution MEPC.360(79), which was adopted on December 16, 2022. These amendments came into effect from May 1, 2024, and they apply to ships weighing over 100 gross tonnes. Currently, these regulations only apply to ships over 400 gross tonnes.

The updated Regulation 10, Paragraph 3 now requires that every ship of 100 gross tonnes and above, as well as any ship certified to carry 15 or more persons engaged in voyages to ports or offshore terminals governed by another party to the Convention, and every fixed or floating platform, must have a Garbage Record Book.

Furthermore, Regulation 10, Paragraph 3.6 has been replaced. It now states that if there is any discharge or accidental loss as described in Regulation 7, the following details must be recorded: the date and time of the event, the ship's location (port or position, including latitude, longitude, and water depth if known), the reason for the discharge or loss, details of the items discharged or lost, categories of garbage discharged or lost, estimated amounts for each category in cubic meters, precautions taken to prevent or minimize the discharge or loss, and general remarks.

Ship owners, managers, operators, surveyors, and auditors, especially for vessels under 400 gross tonnes, should take note of these changes and prepare accordingly.

This Circular is issued with the approval of Director General Ports & Shipping, Karachi.



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