



# Technical Circular

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**To whomsoever it may concern**

**Subject: RMI marine safety advisory regarding Compliance for GMDSS HF NBDP channeling requirements.**

- The Republic of the Marshall Islands has issued revised marine safety advisory No.41-16 (copy attached) regarding compliance for GMDSS HF NBDP channeling requirements. This notice supersedes MSA 40-16.
- As per earlier notice, the high frequency (HF) radio communication equipment capable of operating narrow band direct printing (NBDP) be updated to meet 2012 radio regulations.
- The IMO now requires that high frequency (HF) radio communications equipment capable of operating narrow-band direct printing (NBDP) be updated to meet the new channeling arrangements, contained in the 2012 Radio Regulations HF, Appendix 17, Part B, Sections II and III (HF direct-printing telegraphy), by the first safety radio survey after **01 January 2024**.
- In case vessel will be out of serviced or scraped within two year of the first radio survey after 1 January 2017, administration to be contacted for exemption for not updating very high frequency radio communication equipment.
- Ship owners / operators and masters are advised to be guided by above.

**Enclosure:**

1. RMI Marine Safety Advisory No. 41-16 Reg. Compliance for GMDSS HF NBDP channelling requirements.



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