



Technical Circular

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To whomsoever it may concern

Subject: Malta – Application of Regulation (EU) 1257/2013 on Ship Recycling.

1. The Administration of Malta vide Merchant Shipping Notice 147 dated 17/12/2018 (copy attached) has reminded all concerned on Regulation (EU) No 1257/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 November 2013 on ship recycling which will become applicable on **31 December 2018**.
2. Accordingly, each new ship will be required to have on board an Inventory of Hazardous Materials (IHM) verified by the recognized organization and identifying at least the hazardous materials referred to in Annex II of the Regulation and contained in the structure or equipment of ship, their location and approximate quantities.
3. Existing ships and ships going for recycling are required to have on board an IHM which shall identify, at least, the hazardous materials listed in Annex I of the Regulation.
4. Existing ships are required to have the IHM on board as from the 31 December 2020 while ships that are going for recycling have been required, as far as practicable, to have an IHM on board since the date of publication of the European list (19 December 2016). In all cases, the IHM must be properly maintained and updated throughout the operational life of the ship.
5. Furthermore, ships covered by the scope of the EU Regulation may only be recycled at facilities that are included in the European List of approved ship recycling facilities (<http://ec.europa.eu/environment/waste/ships/list.htm>).
6. Shipowners will be required to provide the relevant facility with all available information relating to the ship for the development of the Ship Recycling Plan that is required under Article 7 of the Regulation and conduct all other necessary preparations as required under Article 6 of the EU Regulation.



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7. When preparing to send a ship for recycling, shipowners are required to notify the Malta Administration in writing not less than one month before the intended start of recycling, together with the information indicated in Article 6 (1)(b) of the Regulation.
8. A valid certificate attesting the inventory of hazardous materials or a valid Ready for Recycling Certificate, as applicable, will be required onboard in accordance with the EU Regulation.
9. Ship owners /operators and masters are advised to be guided by the above & attached Merchant Shipping Notice.

Enclosure:

1. Merchant Shipping Notice 147 dated 17/12/2018 of Malta

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