Annex 9  Resolution MEPC.274(69) – Amendments to MARPOL Annex IV (Baltic Sea Special Area and Form of ISPP Certificate)

1  The number "2" after the last closing bracket in the title of the resolution is deleted.

2  Paragraph 2 in the annex to the resolution is replaced by the following:

"2  Paragraph 3 is replaced by the following:

"B  Discharge of sewage from passenger ships within a special area

3  Subject to the provisions of regulation 3 of this Annex, the discharge of sewage from a passenger ship within a special area* shall be prohibited:

.1  for new passenger ships, on a date determined by the Organization pursuant to regulation 13.2 of this Annex, but in no event prior to 1 June 2019; and

.2  for existing passenger ships, on a date determined by the Organization pursuant to regulation 13.2 of this Annex, but in no event prior to 1 June 2021,

except when the following conditions are satisfied:

the ship has in operation an approved sewage treatment plant which has been certified by the Administration to meet the operational requirements referred to in regulation 9.2.1 of this Annex, and the effluent shall not produce visible floating solids nor cause discoloration of the surrounding water."

*  Refer to the Establishment of the date on which regulation 11.3 of MARPOL Annex IV in respect of the Baltic Sea Special Area shall take effect, adopted by resolution MEPC.275(69).