



16 December 2024

To: Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Masters and Classification Societies

Dear Sir / Madam,

Maritime Labour Convention (MLC) 2022 Amendments

The Merchant Shipping (Seafarers) (Health and Safety: General Duties) (Amendment) Regulation 2024, Merchant Shipping (Seafarers) (Working and Living Conditions) (Amendment) Regulation 2024 and Merchant Shipping (Seafarers) (Returns of Births, Deaths and Missing Persons) Regulation (Amendment of Schedules) (hereafter collectively called as “Amendment Regulation”) implementing the latest MLC requirements (MLC 2022 Amendments) will come into operation on 23 December 2024. The details of the Amendment Regulation can be found on the website of Marine Department (MD):
(<https://www.mardep.gov.hk/filemanager/en/share/msnote/pdf/msin2455.pdf>).

When the Amendment Regulation comes into operation, existing Declaration of Maritime Labour Compliance – Part I, hereafter referred to as “DMLC Part I”, issued by MD will be amended to align with the Amendment Regulation. The shipowners, ship managers and ship masters are required to have the amended DMLC Part I on board on or before the coming MLC Inspection on or after 23 December 2024. Application for the amended DMLC Part I shall be submitted at least 3 working days before the MLC inspection through the existing channel.

Whether or not the amended DMLC Part I is on board, the Amendment Regulation shall be complied with from 23 December 2024. As such, please ensure that the DMLC Part II is consistent with the amended DMLC Part I when completing

the MLC inspection on or after 23 December 2024, otherwise, please consult with the relevant Recognized Organisation for the corresponding revisions.

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The latest version (~~2024~~) DMLC Part I and the corresponding application form are attached for your awareness and action when necessary.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us by email at ss_css@mardep.gov.hk.

Yours faithfully,

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Attached: (1) latest version (~~2024~~) DMLC Part I 2025
(2) application form for the latest version (~~2024~~) DMLC Part I

* All DMLC Part I (Version 2024) issued on or after 23 December 2024 shall maintain valid until such time as an update to the pertinent information is required or until it is superseded.