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### Notification ( 7/2017)

#### Application of Oil Pollution Prevention Standard to Myanmar Ships other than Oil Tankers under 400 GT Engaged on International Voyages

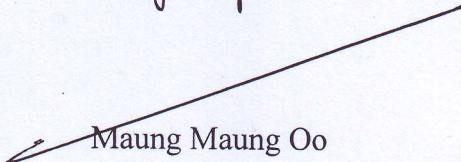
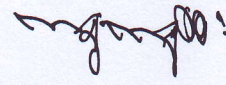
1. In exercise of the powers conferred by section 294(B) of the Myanmar Merchant Shipping Act, the Department of Marine Administration, having regard to the provisions of the International Convention on the Prevention of Pollution from Ships 1973/1978, hereby issues this notification establishing Oil Pollution Prevention Standard to Myanmar Ships other than Oil Tankers under 400 GT engaged on International voyages.
2. Unless expressly provided otherwise, these oil pollution prevention standard apply to Myanmar Ships other than Oil Tankers under 400 GT engaged on International voyages.
3. These oil pollution prevention standard do not apply to any warship, naval auxiliary or other ship owned or operated by a State and used, for the time being, only on government non-commercial service.
4. The Director General may exempt a ship of a new type whose constructional features are such as to render the application of any of the provisions relating to construction and equipment unreasonable or impracticable from those provisions, provided that the construction and equipment of that ship provides equivalent protection against pollution by oil, having regard to the service for which it is intended.
5. This Oil Pollution Prevention Standard shall not apply to:
  - (1) the discharge into the sea of oil or oily mixture necessary for the purpose of securing the safety of a ship or saving life at sea; or
  - (2) the discharge into the sea of oil or oily mixture resulting from damage to a ship or its equipment:
    - (i) provided that all reasonable precautions have been taken after the occurrence of the damage or discovery of the discharge for the purpose of preventing or minimizing the discharge; and
    - (ii) except if the owner or the master acted either with intent to cause damage, or recklessly and with knowledge that damage would probably result; or



- (3) the discharge into the sea of substances containing oil, approved by the Administration, when being used for the purpose of combating specific pollution incidents in order to minimize the damage from pollution. Such discharge in above cases shall be subjected to the approval of Myanmar Government.
6. Every Myanmar Ships other than Oil Tankers under 400 GT engaged on International voyages shall be subject to the oil pollution prevention surveys specified below:
  - (1) Initial Survey
  - (2) Annual Survey
  - (3) Intermediate Survey
  - (4) Renewal Survey
7. Every Myanmar Ships other than Oil Tankers under 400 GT engaged on International voyages, with an aggregate oil fuel capacity of 600 m<sup>3</sup> and above which are delivered on or after 1 August 2010, shall be constructed with oil fuel tank protection arrangement.
8. Every Myanmar Ships other than Oil Tankers under 400 GT engaged on International voyages shall be provided with a tank or tanks of adequate capacity, having regard to the type of machinery and length of voyage, to receive the oil residues (sludge).
9. Oil residue (sludge) may be disposed onto the shore reception facilities directly from the oil residue (sludge) tank(s) through the standard discharge connection, or any other approved means of disposal.
10. For Myanmar Ships other than Oil Tankers under 400 GT Engaged on International voyages oil and all oily mixtures shall either be retained on board for subsequent discharge to reception facilities or discharged into the sea in accordance with the following provisions:
  - (i) the ship is proceeding *en route*;
  - (ii) the ship has in operation equipment of a design approved by the Administration that ensures that the oil content of the effluent without dilution does not exceed 15 ppm;
  - (iii) the oily mixture does not originate from cargo pump-room bilges on oil tankers; and
  - (iv) the oily mixture, in case of oil tankers, is not mixed with oil cargo residues.
11. Every Myanmar Ships other than Oil Tankers under 400 GT engaged on International voyages shall be fitted with the oil filtering equipment of a design approved by the Administration and shall be such as will ensure that any oily mixture discharged into the sea after passing through the system has an oil content not exceeding 15 ppm. The Administration shall consider the design of equipment in accordance to the specification recommended by the delegated Recognized Organization.
12. Every Myanmar Ships other than Oil Tankers under 400 GT engaged on International voyages shall be provided with an Oil Record Book, Part I approved by the Administration or delegated Recognized Organization.



13. Every Myanmar Ships other than Oil Tankers under 400 GT engaged on International voyages shall carry on board a Shipboard Oil pollution Emergency Plan approved by the Administration or delegated Recognized Organization .



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