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Applicable to: Shipowners, ship managers, operators, masters, crew members, recognised organisations, surveyors and the shipping community

- (I) **PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA (OIL) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2020**
- (II) **PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA (NOXIOUS LIQUID SUBSTANCES IN BULK) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2020**
- (III) **PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA (GARBAGE) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2020**
- (IV) **PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA (AIR) (AMENDMENT NO.1) REGULATIONS 2020**
- (V) **PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA (AIR) (AMENDMENT NO.2) REGULATIONS 2020**

1. This circular informs the Shipping Community on the above mentioned amendments to the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Air) Regulations (Amendment No.1) which had come into force on 01 March 2020 and other amendments to the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea Regulations which will come into force on 01 October 2020.

2. The Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) had adopted amendments to Annexes I, II, V and VI of MARPOL 73/78 at its seventy third and seventy fourth sessions through Resolutions [MEPC.305\(73\)](#), [MEPC.314\(74\)](#) and [MEPC.316\(74\)](#). The amendments to the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea Regulations give effect to these resolutions.

Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Air) (Amendment No.1) Regulations 2020

3. [MEPC.305\(73\)](#) adopts amendments to regulation 14 (Sulphur Oxides) and Appendix I (Supplement to International Air Pollution Prevention Certificate) of MARPOL Annex VI to prohibit the carriage of non-compliant fuel oil for combustion purposes for propulsion or operation on board a ship. The amendments had entered into force on 01 March 2020.

Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Oil) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Garbage) (Amendment) Regulations 2020

4. [MEPC.314\(74\)](#) adopted amendments to MARPOL Annexes I, II and V to permit the use of electronic record books. The amendments will enter into force on 01 October 2020.

Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Air) (Amendment No.2) Regulations 2020

5. [MEPC.316\(74\)](#) adopts amendments to MARPOL Annex VI to permit the use of electronic record books and requires Polar Code certified ships other than Category A2 ships, to comply with Regulation 20 and Regulation 21 of MARPOL Annex VI. The amendments will enter into force on 01 October 2020.

6. Copies of the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Oil) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (Government Gazette No.**S805/2020**), Prevention of Pollution of Pollution of the Sea (Noxious Liquid Substance in Bulk) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (Government Gazette No.**S806/2020**), Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Garbage) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (Government Gazette No.**S807/2020**), Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Air) (Amendment No.1) Regulations 2020 (Government Gazette No.**S144/2020**) and Prevention of Pollution of the Sea (Air) (Amendment No.2) Regulations 2020 (Government Gazette No.**S804/2020**) can be purchased at:

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7. The shipping community may also be able to access the legislations online at: [Prevention of Pollution of the Sea Regulations](#).

8. Any queries relating to this circular should be emailed to shipping@mpa.gov.sg.

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