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Applicable to: Ship owners, managers, operators, masters, crew members, surveyors and the shipping community.

- (I) MERCHANT SHIPPING (SAFETY CONVENTION) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2013**
- (II) MERCHANT SHIPPING (LOAD LINE) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2013**

1. This circular informs the shipping community on the entering into force of the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 and Merchant Shipping (Load Line) (Amendment) Regulations 2013.

2. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) had, on 24 May 2012, adopted amendments to Chapter II-1, III, V, VI, VII and XI-1 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea 1974 (SOLAS 74), by Resolution MSC.325(90).

3. The MSC had also adopted amendments to Annex II of the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966, as modified by the Protocol of 1988 (LL 88) by Resolution MSC.329(90).

4. [Shipping Circular No. 5 of 2013](#) provides further information on both Resolutions.

5. The Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) (Amendment) Regulations 2013, and Merchant Shipping (Load Line) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 which gives effect to the Resolutions, will enter into force on 1 January 2014.

6. Copies of the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) (Amendment)

Regulations, 2013 (Government Gazette No.**S847/2013**) and Merchant Shipping (Load Line) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 (Government Gazette No.**S834/2013**) may be purchased at:

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