

The Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia Ministry of Transport Ethiopian Maritime Affairs Authority (EMAA)

MARINE NOTICE NO. 1-2012

TO: ALL SHIPOWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS AND OFFICERS OF MERCHANT SHIPS, AGENTS AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF ETHIOPIAN MARITIME AFFAIRS AUTHORITY MARINE NOTICES

PURPOSE

This Marine Notice establishes and describes the use of Marine Notices by the Ethiopian Maritime Affairs Authority (EMAA) to promulgate EMAA's policy and National requirements on marine safety, security and environmental protection issues and other related matters not otherwise specifically addressed by the Maritime Code or Maritime Sector Establishment Proclamation No.549/2007 or other national legislations.

APPLICABILITY

Marine Notices setting forth mandatory requirements shall be construed to have the effect and applicability of Rules promulgated under the provisions of the Maritime Code, Maritime Sector Establishment Proclamation No.549/2007 and international conventions ratified by Ethiopia. Each Notice identifies those parties to whom the Notice is applicable. For example, this Notice applies to all ship owners, operators, Masters and officers of Ethiopian Flag vessels, Agents and Recognized Organizations (ROs).

REQUIREMENTS

1. Numbering

The Marine Notices are numbered according to the corresponding Maritime legislation.



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2. Index

- 1) The list of current notices will be available on the EMAA web site as Notices are issued, amended or deleted.
- 2) Each Notice is dated by original issue date or revision date. The appropriate effective date is reflected in the index.
- 3) Those which have been revised or are new since the previous edition of the index are highlighted with an asterisk (*).

3. Categories of Marine Notices

There are three categories of Marine notices.

- 1) Marine Information (MN) that are intended to give information valid for a short period of time
- 2) Marine Guidance (MG) are guidance and recommendations
- 3) Marine Directives and Standard Guidelines (MD) contain mandatory information, and must be complied with under Ethiopian legislation.

4. Maintenance

EMAA requires that Maritime Training ship owners and Masters ensure that the Marine Notices are maintained on board and that the contents of each is properly disseminated to and understood by all persons affected by or having an interest in the subject matter. The Marine Notices should be considered an integral part of an effectively implemented and maintained Safety Management System as required by the International Safety Management (ISM) Code, IMO Res. A.741(18), Section 1.2.3.2.

5. Recognized Organizations

In accordance with those Agreements entered into between EMAA and Recognized Organizations (ROs) under which the ROs have been authorized to perform certain



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functions for and on behalf of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, those Marine Notices relevant to the implementation and enforcement of international instruments shall be considered annexed to those Agreements and extensions of the ROs' authorizations.

6. Inquiries

Inquiries concerning the subject of this Notice should be directed to the Ethiopian Maritime Affairs Authority, c/o Maritime Administration Directorate P.O.Box: 1861, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The most current version of all Marine Notices of Ethiopia may be found at www.etmaritime.com

7. Effective date

This marine notice is issued on 1 February 2012.