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Merchant Shipping (Seafarers) (Code of Safe Working Practices) (Amendment) Regulation 2016

(Made by the Secretary for Transport and Housing under sections 96 and 134 of the Merchant Shipping (Seafarers) Ordinance (Cap. 478))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on a day to be appointed by the Secretary for Transport and Housing by notice published in the Gazette.

2. Merchant Shipping (Seafarers) (Code of Safe Working Practices) Regulation amended

The Merchant Shipping (Seafarers) (Code of Safe Working Practices) Regulation (Cap. 478 sub. leg. M) is amended as set out in section 3.

3. Section 4 amended (ships to carry copies of the Code)

Section 4(2)(e), (f) and (g)—

Repeal

“and Dangerous Occurrences) Regulation (Cap. 478 sub. leg.)”

Substitute

“, Dangerous Occurrences and Occupational Diseases) Regulation (Cap. 478 sub. leg. R)”.

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Explanatory Note

The Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (*Convention*) was adopted by the International Labour Conference of the International Labour Organization in 2006. It sets out a comprehensive set of global standards for the working and living conditions of seafarers on seagoing ships and seeks to protect the right of seafarers to decent employment. The Convention will apply to Hong Kong after China has ratified the Convention and extended it to Hong Kong.

2. The Merchant Shipping (Seafarers) (Safety Officials and Reporting of Accidents and Dangerous Occurrences) Regulation (Cap. 478 sub. leg. R) (*Reporting of Accidents Regulation*) is amended to implement certain requirements of the Convention relating to the health and safety protection of seafarers. The title of the Reporting of Accidents Regulation is also amended. This Regulation amends section 4 of the Merchant Shipping (Seafarers) (Code of Safe Working Practices) Regulation (Cap. 478 sub. leg. M) to reflect the change in title.