

# REGULATION CONCERNING AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS ON ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY FOR SHIPS AND MOBILE OFFSHORE UNITS

**Legal basis:** Laid down by the Norwegian Maritime Authority on xx xx 2018 under the Act of 16 February 2007 No. 9 relating to ship safety and security (Ship Safety and Security Act) sections 2, 3, 6, 13, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38 and 43, cf. Formal Delegation of 16 February 2007 No. 171 and Formal Delegation of 29 June 2007 No. 849, Act of 26 June 1998 No. 47 relating to recreational and small craft sections 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 38 and 39, cf. Formal Delegation of 27 November 1998 No. 1095, Formal Delegation of 29 June 2007 No. 848, Formal Delegation of 1 December 1998 No. 4532, Formal Delegation of 31 May 2007 No. 591 and Formal Delegation of 29 June 2007 No. 849.

## I

Regulations of 30 May 2012 No. 488 on environmental safety for ships and mobile offshore units are amended as follows:

Section 9 first paragraph should read:

MARPOL consolidated edition 2017 Annex IV on the prevention of pollution by sewage, as amended by MEPC.274(69) and MEPC.275(69), shall apply as regulation *for ships of 400 gross tonnage and upwards or which are certified to carry more than 15 persons, in Norwegian sea areas south of Lindesnes (N 57° 58' 8" E 7° 3' 4") to the dividing line between Norway and Denmark (N 57° 10' 3" E 7° 3' 4") and into the waters from the dividing line to the Swedish border. For the purposes of these Regulations, "ships" also includes mobile offshore units.*

Section 10 second paragraph second sentence should read:

*Discharge from sewage treatment plants satisfying the requirements of MARPOL regulation IV/9.1.1 is not covered by the prohibition laid down in the first sentence.*

Section 10 third paragraph is repealed. The current fourth and fifth paragraphs become third and fourth paragraphs.

Section 10a should read:

*Section 10a Special rules regarding discharge of sewage and grey water in the world heritage fjords*

*Ships of 400 gross tonnage and upwards or which are certified to carry more than 15 persons are not allowed to discharge sewage into the world heritage fjords.*

*Ships of 2500 gross tonnage and upwards certified to carry more than 100 persons are not allowed to discharge grey water into the world heritage fjords. For the purposes of these Regulations, grey water means wash water from dishwashing, washbasins and other sinks, showers, laundry, bathtubs and similar.*

*The world heritage fjords means the world heritage site the West Norwegian Fjords, which for the purposes of these Regulations consist of the following sea areas:*

*a) the Geirangerfjord area: The Geirangerfjord/Sunnylvsfjord south of the line between N 62° 13' 42" E 7° 2' 30" and N 62° 13' 48" E 7° 0' 30" with the exception of Hellesylt west of the line between N 62° 5' 42" E 6° 54' 18" and N 62° 6' 30" E 6° 54' 42" and with the addition of the Taffjord east of the line between N 62° 17' 12" E 7° 19' 48" and N 62° 17' 36" E 7° 20' 12".*

*b) the Nærøyfjord area: The Nærøyfjord/Aurlandsfjord south of the line between N 61° 3' 36" E 7° 2' 54" and N 61° 3' 24" E 7° 0' 54".*

*The Norwegian Maritime Authority may upon written application up until 2024 grant a time-limited permission to discharge sewage in the world heritage fjords to ships running a regular service on a public contract and to ships offering an established fjord cruise service.*

Section 14b should read:

*Section 14a Special rules regarding emission of sulphur oxides (SO<sub>x</sub>) from ships in the world heritage fjords*

*Ships in the world heritage fjords shall use either:*

- a) fuel with a sulphur content not exceeding 0.10% by weight; or*
- b) an approved closed loop exhaust gas cleaning system; or*
- c) an approved hybrid exhaust gas cleaning system in closed loop mode.*

*Ships using an exhaust gas cleaning system to meet the sulphur requirement are required to use a device for reducing visible emissions to air.*

Section 14c should read:

*Section 14c Special rules regarding emission of nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) from ships in the world heritage fjords*

*Ships of 1,000 gross tonnage and upwards shall, irrespective of the requirements in force at the year of the ship's construction, in the world heritage fjords comply with:*

- a) the Tier I requirements, cf. MARPOL regulation VI/13 by 1 January 2020;*
- b) the Tier II requirements, cf. MARPOL regulation VI/13 by 1 January 2022;*
- c) the Tier III requirements, cf. MARPOL regulation VI/13 by 1 January 2025.*

*The Norwegian Maritime Authority may upon written application from the company grant exemption for a ship from the Tier I requirements set out in MARPOL regulation VI/13 cf. section 12, if it can be documented that the ship will comply with the Tier III requirements not later than 1 January 2022.*

Section 14d should read:

*Section 14d Environmental instruction for ships of more than 10,000 gross tonnage sailing in the world heritage fjords*

*Ships of 10,000 gross tonnage and upwards sailing in the world heritage fjords shall have an environmental instruction specially adapted to the ship and operation in these areas. The environmental instruction shall ensure that the ship is operated as environmentally friendly as possible through technical and operational measures and crew training. The instruction shall as a minimum include:*

- a) operational and technical measures for reducing particle matter emissions and visible smoke;*
- b) speed as a measure for reducing emissions and discharges.*

Section 14e should read:

*Section 14e Special rules regarding incineration of waste on board ships in the world heritage fjords*

*In the world heritage fjords, incineration of waste on board ships is prohibited.*

Section 14f should read:

*Section 14f Special rules on ships in the world heritage fjords which are protected or given status as historical by the Directorate for Cultural Heritage*

*The Norwegian Maritime Authority may upon written application grant exemption from the requirements of sections 10a, 14b and 14c for ships which are protected or given status as historical*

*by the Directorate for Cultural Heritage. When considering whether an exemption may be granted, emphasis is placed on whether the implementation of the requirements may interfere with the historical importance of the ship, whether the ship has a historical affiliation with the world heritage fjords, and the purpose of the special regulation of the world heritage fjords.*

II

The Regulation enters into force on 1 March 2019.