



**MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY**

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**TO :** ALL DOMESTIC SHIPOWNERS OPERATORS,  
SHIPMANAGERS, CHARTERERS, MASTERS AND ALL  
OTHERS CONCERNED

**SUBJECT :** IMPLEMENTATION OF MARINA CIRCULAR (MC)  
NO. 2015-11

Notice is hereby given that MC 2015-11 entitled *Revised Rules and Regulations to Implement a Safety Management System for Domestic Shipping* became effective last 05 February 2016.

Further, please be guided by the following clarifications on the following provisions of said MC, to wit:

- 1. Section II. Coverage and Exemptions**  
Ships carrying more than 12 passengers but less than 50 GT are NOT covered while motorbancas with outrigger operating as passenger ships 50 GT and above are covered.
- 2. Section IV. General Provisions**  
Paragraph 6 – Newly accredited companies under MC No. 79/79A, as amended by MC 2006-003, or newly registered ships under Philippine flag shall have the required DOC and SMC, within twelve (12) months from their date of accreditation/registration.
- 3. Section V. Specific Provisions**  
Companies who opted to be certified by a Recognized Organisation which has entered into a Memorandum of Agreement with MARINA, are still required to request for issuance of a full-term DOC/SMC by the Administration.
- 4. Section IX. Transitory Provisions**  
Existing companies not previously covered by MC 159 and MC 143 shall have their management system reviewed and approved by MARINA and must possess the required DOC and SMC no later than 01 January 2017.

For guidance.

  
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