

# Republic of the Marshall Islands

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### MARINE SAFETY ADVISORY No. 12-24

**To: Owners/Operators, Masters, Nautical Inspectors, Recognized Organizations**

**Subject: APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS TO MARPOL ANNEX VI**

**Date: 2 December 2024**

Amendments to Annex VI of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) were adopted on 22 March 2024 by International Maritime Organization (IMO) Resolution [MEPC.385\(81\)](#). Appendix IX of MARPOL Annex VI (information to be submitted to the IMO Ship Fuel Oil Consumption Database) was revised to enhance the granularity of annual fuel oil consumption data to be collected and reported. This will include new data on fuel oil consumption per consumer both when underway and not underway; total amount of onshore power supplied; total transport work; distances traveled; and installation of innovative technologies.

The amendments enter into force on 1 August 2025, which is part-way through the 2025 reporting calendar year. The IMO agreed that all data for the same calendar year is to be collected and reported at the same level of granularity and issued guidance on the application of the amendments to facilitate uniform data granularity over a calendar year in IMO Circular [MEPC.1/Circ.913](#).

Therefore, the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Maritime Administrator (the “Administrator”) has decided to implement the amendments to Appendix IX of MARPOL Annex VI upon their entry into force. The Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) must be updated and verified before 1 January 2026 in order to collect and report data with an enhanced level of granularity beginning on 1 January 2026 and beyond.

However, the Administrator also allows for the early application of these amendments on a voluntary basis. Owners and Operators deciding to seek voluntary early application must ensure the SEEMP is updated and verified before 1 January 2025, or the delivery date for ships delivered on or after 1 January 2025, to allow data being collected and reported with an enhanced level of granularity throughout the entire calendar year of 2025 and beyond.

The Administrator will update RMI Marine Notice [2-013-12](#), *MARPOL Annex VI, Chapter 4 – Regulations on the Carbon Intensity of International Shipping*, in due course to reflect these decisions.

This MSA is evaluated annually by the Administrator and expires one year after its issuance or renewal unless otherwise noted, superseded, or revoked.