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The Director of the Department of Marine Services and Merchant Shipping, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 7, subsection (3) of the Merchant Shipping Act, 2006, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, makes the following Directive:

Citation and Commencement

1. This Directive may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Crew Accommodation) Directive 2008 and shall come into force on 01 March 2008.

Interpretation

2. In this Directive:


“Antigua and Barbuda ship” means a ship which is registered or licensed under the Antigua and Barbuda Merchant Shipping Act, 2006;

“Crew” in relation to a ship includes seafarers and apprentices;

“Crew accommodation” means sleeping rooms, mess rooms, sanitary accommodation, hospital accommodation and recreation accommodation as are provided for the use of the crew.

Application

3. This Directive applies to all Antigua and Barbuda ships with the exception of:
 - (a) Government ships;
 - (b) Pleasure yachts; and
 - (c) Fishing vessels.

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Reference

4. This Directive refers to the Antigua and Barbuda Merchant Shipping Act, 2006, Part XIII, Chapter 2, First Schedule No. 21 "Crew Accommodation".

Requirements

5. Under this Directive crew accommodations on board of Antigua and Barbuda ships shall conform to the standards and requirements as laid down in:
 - (a) the Convention No. 92 of the International Labour Organisation
C92 - Accommodation of Crews Convention (Revised), 1949; and
 - (b) the Convention No. 133 of the International Labour Organisation
C133 - Accommodation of Crews (Supplementary Provisions) Convention,
1970.

Signed by the authority of the Director of the Department of Marine Services and Merchant Shipping