



Merchant Shipping Directorate



ALTERNATIVE FUEL AND BILGE LINES USED ON COMMERCIAL YACHTS < 24m

Commercial Yachting Notice 10

*Notice to Yacht Owners, Yacht Operators, Managers, Masters,
Owners' Representatives, Appointed Surveyors and Recognised Organisations*

The Directorate would like to draw the attention of all concerned to the provisions of the [Malta Commercial Yacht Code \(CYC\) 2020](#) regarding alternative fuel and bilge lines used on Commercial Yachts < 24m in Length.

In accordance with the requirements of Sections 6.1.2, 6.3.2 and 11.1.4, the bilge and fuel lines shall be made of metallic piping. Furthermore, it is allowed to use certified non-metallic piping meeting the requirements of the IMO Fire Test Procedures (FTP) Code.

Furthermore, it is to be noted that:

- a) ISO 7840 Fire Resistant Fuel Hoses may also be accepted for use as fuel lines, and
- b) ISO Certified fire-resistant hoses/pipes, such as ISO 13363 certified pipes/hoses, may also be accepted for use on Bilge lines and sea water pipes provided that metallic isolating valve/s is/are fitted to the hull outer shell.

In view of this, flexible pipes used for fuel, seawater, water cooled exhaust piping and bilge lines having equivalent certification standards may also be considered by the Administration on a case by case bases.

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