ISSUANCE OF THE SMALL COMMERCIAL YACHT CODE (sCYC) 2024

Commercial Yachting Notice 12

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

The Directorate has received internal and external feedback from various industry stakeholders requesting a tailormade Commercial Yacht Code for yachts < 24m Length.

In acknowledging the importance of this segment and in order to further spur this segment's growth, the Merchant Shipping Directorate has thus designed a Code dedicated to Small Commercial Yachts < 24m Length.

The Small Commercial Yacht Code (sCYC) will better serve the needs of the yachting industry as it aims to optimise the regulatory regime to the particular needs, demands and technologies of this market, in conformity with safety and international regulations and standards.

The sCYC is applicable to all commercial yachts < 24m Length and is effective as from the **1st April 2024**.

Existing commercial yachts < 24m Length, already certified in accordance with the Commercial Yacht Code (CYC), shall comply with the requirements of the sCYC by not later than the yacht's first renewal survey carried out after the **1st June 2024**.

The issuance of sCYC revokes and replaces the requirements for yachts < 24m Length contained withing the CYC 2020.

sCYC Certified Yachts operating commercially in territorial waters of another country shall also comply with any additional requirements as required by that particular country/port state.

The sCYC may be downloaded from the following link:
https://www.transport.gov.mt/sCYC-2024-Rev-1.pdf-f9561

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