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All Respectful ICS Customers and Surveyors

With my gratitude, respectfully,

This is to notify you that in accordance with the IMO resolution MEPC. 191 (60) which was adapted on 25 March 2010, Regulation 5 (1) (h) of MARPOL Annex V came into force for wider Caribbean area from 1st May 2011 of this Christian year.

This Circular explains the technical details on this topic.

The initial notification on this topic was previously announced to you within ICS32I003 on 2010 December.

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با سلام

احتراماً، به استحضار می رساند، مطابق با قطعنامه شماره MEPC.191(60) سازمان بین المللی دریانوردی که مورخ ۵ فروردین ۱۳۸۹ مورد پذیرش قرار گرفته است، مقرر 5(1)(h) از ضمیمه شماره ۵ کنوانسیون مارپول برای منطقه پهناور کارائیب از تاریخ ۱۱ اردیبهشت ۱۳۹۰ لازم الاجرا گردیده است.

در این بخشنامه اطلاعات فنی در این خصوص ارائه شده است.

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1. Introduction

Special Area under MARPOL Annex V Regulation 5 is a sea area where for recognized technical reasons in relation to its oceanographical and ecological condition and to the particular character of its traffic, the adoption of special mandatory methods for the prevention of pollution of the sea by garbage is required. In this Regulation, the Special Areas are introduced as:

- The Mediterranean Sea area
- The Baltic Sea area
- The Black Sea area
- The Red Sea area
- The 'Gulfs area'
- The North Sea area
- And the Wider Caribbean Region, including the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean sea

Generally disposal of garbage into this special area is prohibited unless proper precautions are taken.

2. Wider Caribbean Region (WCR)

2.1 Definition

In accordance with MARPOL Annex V Reg. 5:

The Wider Caribbean Region, as defined in article 2, paragraph 1 of Convention for the Protection and Development of the Marine Environment of the Wider Caribbean Region (Cartagena de Indias, 1983), means the Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean Sea proper including the bays and seas therein and that portion of the Atlantic Ocean within the boundary constituted by the 30°N parallel from Florida eastward to 77°30'W meridian, thence a rhumb line to the intersection of 20°N parallel and 59°W meridian, thence a rhumb line to the intersection of 7°20'N parallel and 50°W meridian thence a rhumb line drawn southwesterly to the eastern boundary French Guiana. (Figure. 1)



Figure 1. Wider Caribbean Region (WCR)

2.2 Requirements

The WCR was designated as a Special Area under MARPOL Annex V in 1991 but the discharge requirements did not take effect immediately as adequate port reception facilities were not available in all ports within the WCR region.

Most of the States bordering the WCR Special Area have given notice that they now have adequate reception facilities in the relevant ports and accordingly, the entry into force requirements for the WCR as a Special Area have been fulfilled and the resolution came into force on May 1, 2011.

Vessels operating within the Wider Caribbean Region (WCR) are now prohibited from discharging any garbage into the sea, except food wastes which may be discharged if the vessel is at least 12 nautical miles from the nearest land (or further if practicable) and comminuted or ground food wastes that are capable of passing through a screen with openings no greater than 25 mm may be discharged if the vessel is at least 3 nautical miles from the nearest land (or further if possible).

3. Ship owner's considerations

- 3.1** An adequate entry of Garbage Record Book to be made when ships operate in Special Area of the Wider Caribbean Region.
- 3.2** The information regarding reception facilities in Wider Caribbean Region shall be consulted with local agent, any receipts from reception facilities shall be attached to the Garbage Record Book.
- 3.3** The garbage discharges requirement in Special Area designated on MARPOL Annex V shall be observed.

4. Notes to Surveyors

- 4.1** Surveyors shall be aware of the requirements for this region as they were introduced in [2nd section](#) of this Circular.
- 4.2** At the time of relevant surveys and audits, surveyors shall confirm the adequate entries of Garbage Record Book for discharge or disposal of garbage in special area. In addition, Placard and Garbage Management Plan to be confirmed. (The entries regarding garbage discharges in Special Area or disposal to the reception facilities and receipts)

5. References

- ü [IMO Website](#)
- ü <http://www.krs.co.kr>
- ü <http://en.wikipedia.org>