



**MARITIME CIRCULAR
SHIPPING NOTICE NO. 009**

**COMPLIANCE, MONITORING & ENFORCEMENT OF MARITIME POLLUTION
REQUIREMENTS**

INFORMATION TO SHIP OWNERS, SHIP OPERATORS, MANAGERS & AGENTS, SHIP MASTERS & OFFICERS,
CLASS SOCIETIES

REFERENCES: MARPOL 73/78 & MARITIME POLLUTION ACT, 2016 (ACT 932)

This circular applies to all vessels including oil rigs, MODUs, FSRUs, and FPSOs operating within or calling at ports within Ghana's maritime jurisdiction.

The purpose of this maritime circular is to inform Ship Owners, Ship Operators, Managers & Agents, Ship Masters & Officers of all vessels calling the ports of Ghana that the Authority is embarking on a programme to strictly enforce the measures laid down by MARPOL Annexes I to VI as well as the relevant provisions in the Maritime Pollution Act of 2016, Act 932.

The Ghana Maritime Authority shall carry out strict inspection of vessels under the above provisions. Masters are therefore advised to ensure that the marine pollution prevention equipment and other related matters are in accordance with same. Vessels not in compliance will be subject to the penalties prescribed by the Authority.

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