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**Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (General)
(Amendment) Regulation 2019**

(Made by the Secretary for Transport and Housing under section 89 of the Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) Ordinance (Cap. 548))

1. Commencement

This Regulation comes into operation on 29 June 2019.

2. Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (General) Regulation amended

The Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (General) Regulation (Cap. 548 sub. leg. F) is amended as set out in sections 3 and 4.

3. Section 19A added

After section 19—

Add

“19A. Prohibition of entry into Central Military Dock Inner and Outer Areas

- (1) A local vessel must not enter the Central Military Dock Inner Area except with the permission of the Director.
- (2) Before giving permission under subsection (1), the Director must obtain the consent of the Hong Kong Garrison.
- (3) A local vessel must not enter the Central Military Dock Outer Area except with the permission of the Director.

- (4) Even if a local vessel is permitted to enter the Central Military Dock Inner Area under subsection (1) or the Central Military Dock Outer Area under subsection (3), it must not stay, anchor, moor or berth in the Area, unless otherwise specified in the permission.
- (5) Subsection (3) does not apply to a local vessel that has an overall length not exceeding 60 metres if it only enters the Central Military Dock Outer Area for the purpose of passing through the Area directly without staying, anchoring, mooring or berthing in the Area.
- (6) In this section—

Central Military Dock Inner Area (中區軍用碼頭內圍區域) means the area specified in paragraph 34 of the Fifth Schedule to the SAPCR;

Central Military Dock Outer Area (中區軍用碼頭外圍區域) means the area specified in paragraph 35 of the Fifth Schedule to the SAPCR.”.

4. Section 20 amended (offences relating to restricted areas, etc.)

Section 20(1)—

Repeal

“or 19(1), (2), (3) or (4)”

Substitute

“, 19(1), (2), (3) or (4) or 19A (1), (3) or (4)”.

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Secretary for Transport and
Housing

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (General) Regulation (Cap. 548 sub. leg. F) to prohibit local vessels from entering the Central Military Dock Inner Area and the Central Military Dock Outer Area specified in the Shipping and Port Control Regulations (Cap. 313 sub. leg. A) unless with permission or as otherwise provided.