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**Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (General)
(Amendment) Regulation 2020**

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

1. Commencement

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), this Regulation comes into operation on 1 August 2020.
- (2) Section 6 comes into operation on a day to be appointed by the Secretary for Transport and Housing by notice published in the Gazette.

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 to 6.

3. Part 5A heading amended (Class I vessels and Class II vessels)

Part 5A, heading—

Repeal

“and Class II Vessels”

Substitute

“, Class II Vessels and Class IV Vessels”.

4. Section 33A amended (application of Division 1)

After section 33A(3)—

Add

“(4) This Division also applies to a Class IV vessel that is licensed to carry more than 100 passengers.”.

5. Section 33C amended (application of Division 2)

After section 33C(2)—

Add

“(2A) This Division also applies to a Class IV vessel that is licensed to carry more than 100 passengers.”.

6. Section 33E amended (application of Division 3)

After section 33E(1)—

Add

“(1A) This Division also applies to—

- (a) a Class IV vessel that is licensed to carry 13 to 60 passengers and is let for hire or reward; and
- (b) a Class IV vessel that is licensed to carry more than 60 passengers.”.

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (General) Regulation (Cap. 548 sub. leg. F) (*principal Regulation*) to—

- (a) subject Class IV vessels that are licensed to carry more than 100 passengers to the requirements under Divisions 1 and 2 of Part 5A of the principal Regulation as regards automatic identification system and radar equipment respectively; and
- (b) subject the following vessels to the requirements under Division 3 of Part 5A of the principal Regulation as regards radiotelephone equipment—
 - (i) a Class IV vessel that is licensed to carry 13 to 60 passengers and is let for hire or reward; and
 - (ii) a Class IV vessel that is licensed to carry more than 60 passengers.