



Republic of Mauritius

**Ministry of Public Infrastructure, Land Transport and Shipping  
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**NOTICE TO MARINERS Ref.: 2 of 2008**

Title: Implementation of IMO Unique Company and Registered Owner Identification Number Scheme (Resolution MSC.160 (78))

**Notice to All Shipowners, Operators, Masters and Officers of Merchant Ships and Recognized Organizations.**

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The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization at its eightieth session (May 2005) adopted SOLAS Regulation XI-/3-1 which is binding on all contracting parties and requires the following:

**Company and registered owner identification number**

- 1. This regulation applies to Companies and registered owners of ships to which chapter I applies.*
- 2. For the purpose of this regulation, registered owner shall be as specified by the Administration and Company as defined in regulation IX/I.*
- 3. Every Company and registered owner shall be provided with an identification number which conforms to the IMO Unique Company and Registered Owner Identification Number Scheme adopted by the Organization\*. (\*Refer to resolution MSC.160 (78) entitled "Adoption of the IMO Unique Company and Registered Owner Identification Number Scheme".)*
- 4. The Company identification number shall be inserted on the certificates and certified copies thereof issued under regulation IX/4 and section A/19.2 or A/19.4 of the ISPS Code.*
- 5. This regulation shall take effect when the certificates referred to in paragraph 4 are issued or renewed on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2009.*

To this end, it will be required from all Owners or potential Owners, Managers or potential Managers of Mauritius ships, when applying for any transaction to the Director of Shipping after the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2009, to submit the IMO Unique Company or Registered Owner Identification Number as appropriate.

The procedure for obtaining the IMO Unique Company and Registered Owner Identification Number is described in Annexes 1 and 2 of the IMO Circular letter No 2554/Rev. 1 which are attached to this Marine Notice.

**It must be noted that this Ministry will not provide any service in order to obtain the IMO Unique Company of Registered Owner Identification Number on behalf of Owners of Managers.**

The Recognized Organizations issuing on behalf of the Republic of Mauritius, ISM and ISPS related certificates are requested when issuing or renewing relevant certificates on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2009 to add the **IMO Unique Company Identification Number as appropriate, preferably under or adjacent to the Company's name and business address.**

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