

Marine Notice No. 53 of 2012

This Marine Notice supersedes Marine Notices No. 19 of 2010,

*NOTICE TO ALL SHIPOWNERS, FISHING VESSEL OWNERS, AGENTS, SHIPMASTERS,
SKIPPERs, FISHERMEN, YACHTSMEN AND SEAFARERS*

Servicing of a Vessel's Inflatable Liferafts, Inflatable Lifejackets, Marine Evacuation Systems, Hydrostatic Release Units, Inflated Boats, Rigid and Inflated Rescue Boats

The Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport wishes to remind vessel owners and all seafarers that SOLAS and MED inflatable liferafts, inflated and rigid inflated rescue boats, inflated boats, inflated life jackets (including immersion suits complying with the requirements for lifejackets), hydrostatic release units (HRU's) and marine evacuation systems, which form part of their vessels' life-saving appliances, are required to be serviced at intervals not exceeding 12 months.

Annual servicing of inflatable liferafts, HRU's and marine escape systems must be carried out by an approved liferaft service station which has been formally appointed by the manufacturer of the approved equipment. The names and contact details of the currently approved liferaft service stations in Ireland and which have been approved by the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport are listed in Annex I.

Annual servicing of inflated lifejackets (including immersion suits complying with the requirements for lifejackets), inflated boats, inflated and rigid inflated rescue boats, must be carried out by a service station which has been formally appointed by the manufacturer of the approved equipment.

Emergency repairs to a vessel's inflated and rigid inflated rescue boats and inflated boats may be carried out on board that vessel, but permanent repairs shall be effected at a service station ashore as soon as practicable.

Marine Notice No. 19 of 2010 is hereby withdrawn.

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(Encl. Annex)

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APPENDIX I

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3. G.R. Liferrafts Ltd.,
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4. Swan Net-Gundry Ltd.,
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