



Marine Notice No. 52 of 2008

COMPLIANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON CIVIL LIABILITY FOR BUNKER OIL POLLUTION DAMAGE, 2001.

***For the attention of all Owners, Operators, Masters, Skippers and Ship
Agents of ALL Vessels greater than 1000GT.***

The International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001 will enter into force on 21 November 2008.

The Convention requires all vessels over 1000 gross tonnage to maintain insurance or other financial security, such as the guarantee of a bank or similar financial institution, to cover the liability of the registered owner for pollution damage in an amount equal to the limits of liability under the applicable national or international limitation regime, but in all cases, not exceeding an amount calculated in accordance with the Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims, 1976, as amended.

Until ratification of the Convention by Ireland has been completed, owners of vessels of more than 1000 GT will require certification to be issued by an administration of a state that has ratified the Convention; a full list is given in this Marine Notice. Shipowners may approach any of the 25 States who are now party to the Convention. However, in order to assist Irish flagged ships the Irish Maritime Administration has made arrangements with both the United Kingdom and Department of Merchant Shipping in Cyprus who have offered to issue the certificates for Irish flagged ships in this interim period until Ireland becomes a party.

Vessel owners should make application as soon as possible as detailed below. It should be noted that any costs or fees in relation to the issue of the certificates are a matter for the vessel owner's account.

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Full List of Countries, which are State Parties to the Bunker Convention September 2008		
Bahamas	Hungary	Samoa
Bulgaria	Jamaica	Sierra Leone
Cook Islands	Latvia	Singapore
Croatia	Liberia	Slovenia
Cyprus	Lithuania	Spain
Denmark	Luxembourg	Tonga
Estonia	Marshall Islands	United Kingdom
Germany	Norway	
Greece	Poland	

Upon ratification of the Convention by Ireland, a further Marine Notice will issue.

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