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Subject: Revised Guidance for recording entries in the ballast water record book (BWRB)

Reference: (a) [Resolution MEPC 369\(80\)](#)
(b) [Resolution MEPC 383\(81\)](#)
(c) [BWM.2/Circ.80/Rev.1](#)
(d) Liberian BWRB (RLM-124/Rev.2024)
(e) [Marine Advisory 29/2023](#)

To: Shipowners/Operators/Inspectors/Masters:

Purpose

The purpose of this Marine Advisory is to inform shipowners, operators, inspectors and masters of a revision to the Liberian BWRB (RLM-124) and related guidance for recording entries in the ballast water record book (BWRB).

Background

Regulation B-2 of the BWM Convention requires that a ship shall have onboard a BWRB which shall at least contain the information specified in appendix II to the Convention (Form of Ballast Water Record Book).

[Resolution MEPC 369\(80\)](#) adopted amendments to the Form of Ballast Water Record Book in appendix II of the International Convention for the Control and management of Ship's Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004 (BWM Convention), which enters into force on 1 February 2025.

Guidance

The revised BWRB is officially issued by the Administration in paper format for use on Liberian registered ships and provides a uniform standard and consistency in record-keeping of ballast water operations. It is encouraged to commence using the revised BWRB ahead of entry into force of the amendments to the BWM Convention on 1 February 2025. To order the books, please complete this [publications order form](#) or directly from our [website](#).

Questions regarding this guidance should be referred to RegsandStandards@liscr.com or telephone +1-703-790-3434.

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