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THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA
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TO: ALL SHIPOWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS AND OFFICERS OF MERCHANT SHIPS, AGENTS AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS

SUBJECT: International Maritime Conventions, Protocols and Amendments to Which Liberia is a Party

Reference: Maritime Regulation (RLM-108) 2.35(3)

Supersedes: Marine Notice INT-001, dated 06/12

PURPOSE:

In accordance with the publication requirements of Liberian Maritime Regulation 2.35(3), this Marine Notice provides a list of the International Maritime Conventions, Protocols and other international instruments to which the Republic of Liberia is a Party.

APPLICABILITY:

It is the responsibility of Owners and Masters to ensure that their vessels are in compliance with the applicable requirements of these International Conventions and Agreements.

Note: The first date following the title of the Convention, Protocol or Amendment is the date of deposit of the instrument of acceptance or accession by Liberia; the second date is that on which the Convention became effective for Liberia by accession, by reason of entry into force internationally, or by application in Liberian law or regulation.

KEY: * = Applied by Liberia, in whole or in part, under national law.
NR = RL has not ratified or deposited an Instrument of Accession.
NIF = Not in force.
TA [NA] = Tacit Acceptance not applicable to Liberia.

IMO CONVENTIONS		
CONVENTION/PROTOCOL	Date of Deposit	Date of Entry into Force
CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION (IMO CONSTITUTION)	06 JAN 59	06 JAN 59
Amendments: IMO Constitution 15 SEPT 64 (Resolution A.69)(ES.II)	06 OCT 67	06 OCT 67
28 SEPT 65 (Resolution A.70)(IV)	03 NOV 68	03 NOV 68
17 OCT 74 (Resolution A.315)(ES.V)	22 AUG 75	01 APR 78
14 NOV 75 (Resolution A.358)(IX)	19 NOV 79	22 MAY 82
17 NOV 77 (Resolution A.400)(X)	14 DEC 79	10 NOV 84
15 NOV 79 (Resolution A.450)(XI)	08 JAN 81	10 NOV 84
07 NOV 91 [Resolution A.724(17)]	07 AUG 02	NIF
05 NOV 93 [Resolution A.735(18)]	16 JUN 95	NIF
CONVENTION ON THE PREVENTION OF MARINE POLLUTION BY DUMPING OF WASTES AND OTHER MATTER, 1972, AS AMENDED (LC 1972)	30 AUG 75	NR
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974, AS AMENDED (SOLAS 74)	14 NOV 77	25 MAY 80
SOLAS PROT 1978	28 OCT 1980	1 MAY 81
SOLAS PROT 1988	26 FEB 1997	3 FEB 2000
STABILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR RO-RO PASSENGER SHIPS (SOLAS AGM'T 96)	NR	01 APR 97
CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTING COLLISIONS AS SEA, 1972 (COLREG 72)	28 DEC 73	15 JUL 77
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION FROM SHIPS, 1973 AS MODIFIED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 1978 (MARPOL 73/78)	28 OCT 80	02 OCT 83
Annex I – Oil Pollution	02 NOV 73	02 OCT 83
Annex II – Noxious Liquid Substance Bulk	02 NOV 73	06 APR 87
Annex III – Harmful Substance Packaged	05 OCT 95	05 JAN 96

CONVENTION/PROTOCOL	Date of Deposit	Date of Entry into Force
Annex IV - Sewage Discharge	21 AUG 06	21 NOV 06
Annex V - Garbage	12 JUN 95	12 SEP 95
Annex VI – Air Pollution	28 AUG 02	19 MAY 05
CONVENTION ON FACILITATION OF INTERNATIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC 1965 (FAL 65)	14 FEB 78	05 MAR 67
2016 AMENDMENTS (FAL.12(40)) (FAL REVISED ANNEX)		1 JAN 18
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON LOAD LINES, 1966 (LL 66)	08 MAY 67	21 JUL 68
PROTOCOL OF 1988 (LL PROT 88)	26 FEB 97	03 FEB 00
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON TONNAGE MEASUREMENT OF SHIPS, 1969 (TONNAGE 69)	25 SEP 72	18 JUL 82
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION RELATING TO INTERVENTION ON THE HIGH SEAS IN CASES OF OIL POLLUTION CASUALTIES, 1969 (INT 69)	25 SEP 72	06 MAY 75
PROTOCOL RELATING TO INTERVENTION ON THE HIGH SEAS... (INT PROT 73)	17 FEB 81	30 MAR 83
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON CIVIL LIABILITY FOR OIL POLLUTION DAMAGE, 1969 (CLC 69)	DENOUNCED as required on 21 APR 97	Effective 15 MAY 98
PROTOCOL OF 1976 (CLC PROT 76)	17 FEB 81	08 APR 81
PROTOCOL OF 1984 (CLC PROT 84)	NR	OBSOLETE
PROTOCOL OF 1992 (CLC PROT 92)	05 OCT 95	05 OCT 96
PROTOCOL OF 2003 (CLC PROT 03) (Supplement to the 1992 FUND)	NIF	NIF (will be voluntary)
SPECIAL TRADE PASSENGER SHIPS AGM'T, 1971 (STP 1971)	NR	2 JAN 74
PROTOCOL ON SPACE REQUIREMENTS, 1973 (SPACE STP 1973)	NR	2 JUN 77
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR COMPENSATION FOR OIL POLLUTION DAMAGE, 1971 (FUND 71)	DENOUNCED as required on 21 APR 97	Effective 15 MAY 98
FUND PROT 1992	5 OCT 95	30 MAY 96
FUND PROT 2000	NR	27 JUN 01
FUND PROT 2003	NR	3 MAR 05

CONVENTION/PROTOCOL	Date of Deposit	Date of Entry into Force
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR SAFE CONTAINERS, 1972, AS AMENDED (CSC 72)	14 FEB 78	14 FEB 79
1993 AMENDMENTS TO CSC 72	NR	NIF
ATHENS CONVENTION RELATING TO THE CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS AND THEIR LUGGAGE BY SEA, 1974 (PAL 74)	17 FEB 81	28 APR 87
PROTOCOL TO THE ATHENS CONVENTION (PAL PROT 1976)	28 APR 87	30 APR 89
CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL MOBILE SATELLITE ORGANIZATION, 1976, as amended (IMSO 1976)	14 NOV 80	14 NOV 80
1985 Amendments (16 OCT 85)	NR	13 OCT 89
1989 Amendments (19 JAN 89)	NR	26 JUN 97
1994 Amendments (9 DEC 94)	NR	NIF
1998 Amendments (24 APR 98)	21 MAR 01	31 JUL 01
2006 AMENDMENTS (29 SEP 06) NOTE: **Provisionally applied by IMSO Assembly as of date stated	NR	**07 MAR 07
2008 AMENDMENTS (02 OCT 08) NOTE: **Provisionally applied by IMSO Assembly as of date stated	NR	**06 Oct 08
OPERATING AGREEMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL MARITIME SATELLITE ORGANIZATION, 1976 (INMARSAT-OA)	14 NOV 80	14 NOV 80
1985 Amendments 16 OCT 85	NR	13 OCT 89
1989 Amendments 19 JAN 89	NR	26 JUN 97
1994 Amendments (09 DEC 94)	NR	NIF
1998 Amendments (24 APR 98)	21 MAR 01	31 JUL 01
INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON USE OF INMARSAT SHIP EARTH STATIONS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL SEA AND PORTS, 1985	13 JUN 95	13 JUN 95
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR MARITIME CLAIMS, 1976 (LLMC 76)	17 FEB 81	01 DEC 86
PROTOCOL OF 1996 (LLMC PROTOCOL 96)	18 SEP 08	17 DEC 08
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR SEAFARERS, 1978, AS AMENDED (STCW 78)	28 OCT 80	28 APR 84

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2010 MANILA AMENDMENTS (STCW CONVENTION AND CODE)	1 JUL 11	1 JAN 12
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR FISHING VESSEL PERSONNEL, 1995 (STCW-F 1995)	NR	29 SEP 2012
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON MARITIME SEARCH AND RESCUE, 1979 (SAR CONVENTION 79)	24 FEB 2009	26 MAR 2009
CONVENTION FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF UNLAWFUL ACTS AGAINST THE SAFETY OF MARITIME NAVIGATION, 1988 (SUA 88)	05 OCT 95	03 JAN 96
PROTOCOL OF 1988 (FIXED PLATFORM ON CONTINENTAL SHELF) (SUA PROT 88)	05 OCT 95	03 JAN 96
INTERNATIONAL COSPAS-SARSAT PROGRAMME AGREEMENT, 1988 (COS-SAR 88)	NR	30 AUG 88
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON SALVAGE 1989 (SALVAGE 1989)	18 SEP 08	18 SEP 09
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON OIL POLLUTION PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE AND COOPERATION, 1990 (OPRC 1990)	5 OCT 95	5 JAN 96
PROTOCOL ON PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE AND COOPERATION TO POLLUTION INCIDENTS BY HAZARDOUS AND NOXIOUS SUBSTANCES, 2000 (OPRC-HNS 2000)	18 SEP 08	18 DEC 08
TORREMOLINOS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF FISHING VESSELS, 1977 (SFV 77)	NR	OBSOLETE
TORREMOLINOS PROTOCOL OF 1993 RELATING TO SFV 1977 (SFV PROT 93)	18 SEP 08	NIF
CAPE TOWN AGREEMENT OF 2012 ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF SFV PROT OF 1993	NR	NIF
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON LIABILITY AND COMPENSATION FOR DAMAGE IN CONNECTION WITH THE CARRIAGE OF HAZARDOUS AND NOXIOUS SUBSTANCES BY SEA, 1996 (HNS 1996)	NR	NIF

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PROTOCOL OF 2010 TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON LIABILITY AND COMPENSATION... (HNS PROT 2010)	NR	NIF
INT'L CONVENTION ON CIVIL LIABILITY FOR BUNER OIL POLLUTION DAMAGE 2001 (BUNKERS 2001)	21 AUG 08	21 NOV 08
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON CONTROL OF HARMFUL ANTI-FOULING SYSTEMS ON SHIPS, 2001 (AFS 2001)	17 Sep 08	17 Dec 08
INT'L CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004 (BWM 2004)	18 Sep 08	8 SEP 2017
NAIROBI INT'L CONVENTION ON THE REMOVAL OF WRECKS, 2007 (WRC 2007)	14 APR 2015	8 JAN 2015
HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFE AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND RECYCLING OF SHIPS, 2009 (HONG KONG CONVENTION)	NR	NIF

IMO CODES AND INSTRUMENTS IMPLEMENTED BY LIBERIA
International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code)
International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code)
2017 amendments to the International Code of Safety for Ships Using Gases or other Low-Flashpoint Fuels (IGF Code)
Code of Practice for the Safe Loading and Unloading of Bulk Carriers (BLU Code)
International Code for the Safe Carriage of Grain in Bulk (International Grain Code)
International Safety Management Code (ISM Code)
Code of Safety for Special Purpose Ships (SPS Code)
Cargo Stowage and Securing (CSS Code)
Code of Safe Practice for Ships Carrying Timber Deck Cargoes (Timber Deck Cargo Code)
International Life-Saving Appliances Code (LSA Code)
Code of the International Standards and Recommended Practices for a Safety Investigation into a Marine Casualty or Marine Incident (Casualty Investigation Code)
International Code for Fire Safety Systems (FSS Code)
International Code for the Safe Carriage of Packaged Irradiated Nuclear Fuel, Plutonium and High-Level Radioactive Wastes on Board Ships (INF Code)
International Ship and Port Facility Security Code (ISPS Code)
International Code for Application of Fire Test Procedures (FTP Code)
International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code)
International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargo Code (IMSBC Code)
Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (GC Code)
Code for Existing Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (Existing Ship Code)
Code for the Construction and Equipment of Mobile Offshore Drilling Units, (1979, 1989 and 2009 MODU Codes)
Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes, 1979 (BC)
International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft (HSC Code)
International Code on the Enhanced Program of Inspections during Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers (ESP Code)
International Code for Ships Operating in Polar Waters (Polar Code)
IMO Instruments Implementation Code (A.1070(28)) (III CODE)
International Code of Intact Stability (IS Code)
Code on Noise Levels Onboard Ships (Noise Code)
Code for Recognized Organizations (RO Code)
Code of Safe Practice for the Carriage of Cargoes and Persons by Offshore Supply Vessels (OSV Code)
Technical Code on Control of Emission of Nitrogen Oxides from Marine Diesel Engines (NOX Technical Code)

ILO CONVENTIONS		
CONVENTION/PROTOCOL	Date of Deposit	Date of Entry into Force
ILO CONVENTION NO. 22*** CONCERNING SEAMEN'S ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT, 1926	21 JUN 77	21 JUN 78
ILO CONVENTION NO. 23*** CONCERNING REPATRIATION OF SEAMEN, 1926	21 JUN 77	21 JUN 78
ILO CONVENTION NO. 53*** CONCERNING THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF PROFESSIONAL CAPACITY FOR MASTERS AND OFFICERS ON BOARD MERCHANT SHIPS, 1936	09 MAY 60	09 MAY 61
ILO CONVENTION NO. 55*** CONCERNING THE LIABILITY OF THE SHIPOWNER IN CASE OF SICKNESS, INJURY OR DEATH OF SEAMEN, 1936	06 MAY 60	09 MAY 61
ILO CONVENTION NO. 58*** CONCERNING THE MINIMUM AGE FOR ADMISSION OF CHILDREN TO EMPLOYMENT AT SEA, 1936	09 MAY 60	09 MAY 61
ILO CONVENTION NO. 73*** CONCERNING THE MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF SEAFARERS, 1946	NR	08 JUL 82*
ILO CONVENTION NO. 87 CONCERNING FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION AND PROTECTION OF THE RIGHT TO ORGANIZE, 1948	25 MAY 62	25 MAY 63
ILO CONVENTION NO. 92*** CONCERNING ACCOMMODATION OF CREWS (REVISED), 1949	21 JUN 77	21 JUN 77
ILO CONVENTION NO. 98 CONCERNING THE RIGHT TO ORGANIZE AND TO BARGAIN COLLECTIVELY, 1949	25 MAY 62	25 MAY 62
ILO CONVENTION NO. 108 CONCERNING SEAFARERS' IDENTITY DOCUMENTS, 1958	06 JUL 81	08 JUL 82
ILO CONVENTION NO. 111 CONCERNING DISCRIMINATION IN RESPECT OF EMPLOYMENT AND OCCUPATION, 1958	22 JUL 59	22 JUL 60
ILO CONVENTION NO. 112 CONCERNING THE MINIMUM AGE FOR ADMISSION TO EMPLOYMENT AS FISHERMEN, 1959	16 MAY 60	07 NOV 61
ILO CONVENTION NO. 113 CONCERNING THE MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF FISHERMEN, 1959	16 MAY 60	07 NOV 61
ILO CONVENTION NO. 114 CONCERNING FISHERMEN'S ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT, 1959	16 MAY 60	07 NOV 61
ILO CONVENTION NO. 134*** CONCERNING PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS TO SEAFARERS, 1970	NR	08 JUL 82*

ILO CONVENTIONS		
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ILO CONVENTION NO. 147*** CONCERNING MINIMUM STANDARDS IN MERCHANT SHIPS, 1976	08 JUL 81	08 JUL 82
ILO CONVENTION NO. 152 CONCERNING THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH OF DOCK WORKERS, 1979	NR	05 DEC 81
ILO CONVENTION NO. 166 CONCERNING THE REPATRIATION OF SEAFARERS (REVISED), 1987	NR	03 JUL 91
ILO CONVENTION NO. 180*** CONCERNING HOURS OF WORK AND MANNING OF SHIPS, 1996	NR*	NIF
Provisions of ILO No. 180 are applied by means of the 1995 Amendments to the STCW		
ILO CONVENTION NO. 185 CONCERNING SEAFARERS' (BIOMETRIC) ID DOCUMENTS, 2003	NR	09 FEB 05
ILO CONVENTION – MARITIME LABOR CONVENTION, 2006, (MLC 2006)	07 JUN 06	20 AUG 2013
ILO CONVENTION – MARITIME LABOR CONVENTION, 2006, 2014 AMENDMENTS	18 JUL 14	18 JAN 17
ILO CONVENTION – MARITIME LABOUR CONVENTION, 2006, 2016 AMENDMENTS	8 JUL 16	NIF
<p>NOTE: There are companion Recommendations to many of the ILO Conventions. The Recommendations may be helpful as supplements to the provisions of the Conventions.</p> <p>***These ILO Conventions have been consolidated into the MLC-2006</p>		

UNCTAD AND UNCITRAL CONVENTIONS		
CONVENTION/PROTOCOL	Date of Deposit	Date of Entry into Force
UN CONVENTION ON A CODE OF CONDUCT FOR LINER CONFERENCES, 1974	NR	06 OCT 83
UN CONVENTION ON THE CARRIAGE OF GOODS BY SEA, 1978 (“Hamburg Rules”)	NR	01 NOV 92
UN CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT OF GOODS, 1980	NR	NIF
UN CONVENTION ON CONDITIONS FOR REGISTRATION OF SHIPS, 1986	NR	NIF

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON MARITIME LIENS AND MORTGAGES, 1993 (1993 MLM)	NR	NIF
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON VESSELS UNDER CONSTRUCTION, 1967	NR	NIF

BRUSSELS (C.M.I.) CONVENTIONS		
CONVENTION/PROTOCOL	Date of Deposit	Date of Entry into Force
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE UNIFICATION OF CERTAIN RULES OF LAW WITH RESPECT TO COLLISION BETWEEN VESSELS, 1910 (1910 COLLISION)	NR	01 MAR 13
NOTE: Liberia follows the U.S. Rule on fault in collision cases – By Sec. 30 of RLM-107		
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION RELATING TO THE ARREST OF SEAGOING SHIPS, 1952 (1952 ARREST)	NR	26 NOV 57
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION RELATING TO THE ARREST OF SEAGOING SHIPS, 1999 (1999 ARREST)	31 AUG 05	14 SEP 11
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE UNIFICATION OF CERTAIN RULES RELATING TO ASSISTANCE AND SALVAGE AT SEA (1910 SALV)	NR	22 DEC 49*
PROTOCOL OF 1967 (SALV PROTOCOL 67)	NR	15 AUG 77
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE UNIFICATION OF CERTAIN RULES OF LAW RELATING TO BILLS OF LADING, 1924 (“ Hague Rules ”)	NR	02 JUN 31
PROTOCOL OF 1968 (“ Hague-Visby ”)	NR	01 DEC 86*
PROTOCOL OF 1979 (“ Hague-Visby-SDR ”)	NR	01 DEC 86*
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE UNIFICATION OF CERTAIN RULES RELATING TO PENAL JURISDICTION IN MATTERS OF COLLISION OR OTHER INCIDENTS OF NAVIGATION (1952 PENAL JURISDICTION)	NR	20 NOV 55

MISCELLANEOUS CONVENTIONS AND AGREEMENTS		
CONVENTION/PROTOCOL	Date of Deposit	Date of Entry into Force
CONVENTION ON THE HIGH SEAS, 1958	NR	30 SEP 62
UN CONVENTION ON THE LAW OF THE SEA, 1982 (UNCLOS/Montego Bay 82)	25 SEP 2008	16 NOV 94
AGREEMENT RELATING TO IMPLEMENTATION OF PART XI	25 SEP 2008	25 SEP 2008
AGREEMENT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE LAW OF THE SEA OF 10 DECEMBER 1982 RELATING TO THE CONSERVATION AND MGM'T OF STRADDLING FISH STOCKS AND HIGHLY MIGRATORY FISH STOCK	16 SEP 2005	16 SEP 2005
INTERNATIONAL HEALTH REGULATIONS, 1969 (as Amended through 1973)	01 JAN 71	01 JAN 71
INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION CONVENTION, 1973 (Malaga-TORREMOLINOS 73)	22 SEP 75	22 SEP 75
RADIO REGULATIONS PRESCRIBED BY THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION, 1982 Edition; Revised 1985, 1986 and 1988	1979	1979
U.N. CONVENTION ON THE RECOGNITION AND ENFORCEMENT OF FOREIGN ARBITRAL AWARDS , 1958 (FOR-ARBITRAL AWARD N.Y.58)	31 AUG 05	01 JUN 59
VIENNA CONVENTION ON CONSULAR RELATIONS , 1963	28 AUG 84	28 AUG 85
VIENNA CONVENTION ON THE LAW OF TREATIES , 1969	29 AUG 85	29 SEP 85
U.S.-LIBERIA AGREEMENT CONCERNING JURISDICTION OVER VESSELS WITHIN THE LOUISIANA OFFSHORE OIL PORT (LOOP), 1979	16 JAN 79	16 JAN 79
HAGUE (APOSTILLE) CONVENTION ABOLISHING THE REQUIREMENT OF LEGALIZATION FOR FOREIGN PUBLIC DOCUMENTS, 1961	24 MAY 95	01 MAR 79

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