

**L.N. 127 of 2024**

**Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (Safety and Survey)  
(Amendment) Regulation 2024**

(Made by the Secretary for Transport and Logistics under section 89  
of the Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) Ordinance (Cap. 548))

**1. Commencement**

This Regulation comes into operation on 6 December 2024.

**2. Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (Safety and Survey)  
Regulation amended**

The Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (Safety and Survey)  
Regulation (Cap. 548 sub. leg. G) is amended as set out in  
sections 3 and 4.

**3. Section 2 amended (interpretation)**

Section 2, definition of *river trade limits*, paragraph (a)—

**Repeal subparagraphs (i), (ii) and (iii)**

**Substitute**

- “(i) to the East, meridian 114°30′ East;  
(ii) to the South, parallel 22°09′ North; and  
(iii) to the West, meridian 113°31′ East; and”.

**4. Section 80B amended (radiotelephone equipment)**

Section 80B(7), definition of *Radio Regulations*—

**Repeal**

everything after “means”

**Substitute**

“the Radio Regulations complementing the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union as in force from time to time;”.

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Secretary for Transport and  
Logistics

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## Explanatory Note

The Maritime Safety Committee of the International Maritime Organization passed resolution MSC.496(105) on 28 April 2022. The resolution adopts amendments to Chapter IV (amongst others) of the Annex to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (*Chapter IV*). This Regulation amends the definition of *Radio Regulations* in section 80B(7) of the Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels) (Safety and Survey) Regulation (Cap. 548 sub. leg. G) (*principal Regulation*) to reflect the relevant amendment to Chapter IV.

2. This Regulation also amends the definition of *river trade limits* in section 2 of the principal Regulation to revise the format of the geographical co-ordinates appearing in that definition.