

## Circular - Series R

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## Circular R - amendment to Regulations on marine equipment following Implementing Regulation (EU) No 2017/306

On 10 March 2017, the Norwegian Maritime Authority laid down amendments to the Regulations of 30 August 2016 No. 1042 on marine equipment. The background for the amendments was that Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/306 would enter into force on 16 March 2017. The Implementing Regulation was at that time cleared for incorporation into the EEA Agreement, but the process was not completed. It is of great importance to manufacturers, shipping companies and notified bodies in Norway that they at all times can follow the same regulations as their competitors elsewhere in the EEA. Therefore, the Norwegian Maritime Authority laid down national rules with the same substantive contents and with simultaneous entry into force as the EU Regulation.

Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/306 has now been incorporated into the EEA Agreement, and the Norwegian Maritime Authority has incorporated the EU Regulation into the Marine Equipment Regulations. An unofficial Norwegian translation of the EU Regulation has been made available together with the regulatory amendment, where the requirements for design, construction, performance and testing are set out. In this connection, the Norwegian Maritime Authority has made some minor changes to the Regulations to reflect this. We have also made some corrections to the translation of the tables in line with the unofficial translation by the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The amendments have no substantive significance, and have no legal or administrative consequences.

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