

NIGERIAN MARITIME ADMINISTRATION AND SAFETY AGENCY (NIMASA)

(Established under the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency Act, 2007)

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MARINE NOTICE

TO: GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, SHIPPING COMPANIES, INTERNATIONAL OIL COMPANIES (IOCs), MANNING AGENTS, TERMINAL/ JETTY OPERATORS, STEVEDORING COMPANIES, OFFSHORE PLATFORM AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

COMPLIANCE WITH MARITIME LABOUR LAWS ON THE REGISTRATION, CERTIFICATION, EMPLOYMENT OF MARITIME LABOUR (SEAFARERS & DOCKWORKERS), REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION OF EMPLOYERS OF MARITIME LABOUR

Pursuant to the Agency's statutory Mandate to ensure compliance with Maritime Labour Laws and in line with the **Presidential Executive Order 5**, specifically on skill availability in Nigeria, NOTICE is hereby given as follows:

- That all relevant Government Agencies and concerned Stakeholders are to ensure that all Shipping Companies, Shipping Agents, Stevedoring Companies, Seafarers and Dockworkers are duly registered and have obtained Maritime Labour certification from NIMASA, in-line with Section 27 of the NIMASA Act, 2007;
- That in the above regard, All Employers of Labour, Seafarers and Dock workers are advised to ensure that they are duly registered with the Agency and comply with Maritime Labour Laws and Regulation;
- That the Registration status of Seafarers can be verified via the Maritime Labour Services Department e-mail address (mls. seafarers@nimasa.gov.ng) of the Agency;
- That all Terminal/Jetty Operators, Stevedoring Companies and Offshore Platform Operators are reminded that (Stevedoring) Regulations, 2014 is in force and that all Stakeholders are expected to fully comply with the provision of the Regulation;
- That in line with the provision of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 and the Merchant Shipping Act, 2007, henceforth, the Agency's approval must be sought and obtained on accommodation space for Vessels of 500 MT Gross Tonnage and above;
- That except for statutory deductions and dues, Stevedoring Companies, Terminal and Jetty Operators, Shipping Companies, Shipping Agents and Manning Agents should desist from indiscriminate deduction and charges from Maritime Labour (Seafarers and Dockworkers) salaries before and during their employment on board ships Terminal and Jetty. Seafarers and Dockworkers are to note that they are not required to make any payments aside the statutory deductions;
- That failure to comply with this Notice shall attract the appropriate sanction in line with the provision of **Section 27 (2)** of the NIMASA Act. 2007.

For further information or clarification, please contact:

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SIGNED: MANAGEMENT