

ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

CIRCULAR N° SOL 041

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR LIFEJACKETS AMENDMENTS TO LSA CODE CHAPTER II, IMO RESOLUTION SMC.207 (81)

TO: SHIPOWNERS, SHIPS' OPERATORS AND

MANAGERS, MASTERS, FLAG STATE SURVEYORS

AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS

APPLICABLE TO: ALL SHIPS EFFECTIVE AS FROM: 1st July 2010

Monaco, 1st July 2010

Amendments to LSA Code, Chapter II concerning the lifejackets will effective as from 1st July 2010.

The following requirements should be applied:

- a) Each lifejacket should be fitted with a whistle firmly secured by a lanyard;
- b) Lifejacket lights and whistles should be selected and secured to the lifejacket in such a way that their performance in combination is not degraded;
- c) Each lifejacket should be provided with a releasable buoyant line or other means to secure it to a lifejacket worn by another person in the water;
- d) Each lifejacket should be provided with suitable means to allow a rescuer to lift the wearer from the water into a survival craft or rescue boat.

These requirements apply to lifejackets provided on board ships built on or after 1st July 2010 and when providing new lifejackets to ships built prior this date.

Furthermore, on all ships where lifejackets for adults are not designed to fit persons weighing up to 140 kg with a chest girth of up to 1,750 mm, suitable accessories should be provided to allow the lifejackets to be secured to these persons.