

## **Recycling of Ships Directive 2019**

Directive 001 - 2019

The Director of the Department of Marine Services and Merchant Shipping (ADOMS), in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 7, sub-section (3) of the Merchant Shipping Act 2006 and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, issues the following Directive:

#### 1 Citation and Commencement

This Directive may be cited as the Recycling of Ships Directive 2019 and shall come into force on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019.

# 2 Application

This Directive applies to all Antigua and Barbuda registered vessels in class with one of the Recognized Organizations accepted by Antigua and Barbuda.

## 3 Regulatory Framework and Voluntary Early Compliance

Although Antigua and Barbuda is currently not a Contracting Party to The Hong Kong International Convention for the Safe and Environmentally Sound Recycling of Ships (Hong Kong Convention), vessels to which this Directive apply, upon request, may be certified in accordance with the requirements of the convention.

All Antigua and Barbuda Recognized Organisations are herewith empowered, under the existing agreements for the delegation of statutory authority, to issue relevant certification.

#### 4 Certification Process

Vessels eligible for certification shall apply to their classification society for certification. If all requirements of the Hong Kong Convention are met, class will issue relevant certification in the form of a Statement of Compliance, in accordance with this Directive.

### 5 Mandatory compliance upon entry into force

Upon entry into force of the Hong Kong Convention all vessels to which this Directive applies must be certified in accordance with the requirements of the Convention.

## 6 Ratification by Antigua and Barbuda

Upon ratification of the Hong Kong Convention by Antigua and Barbuda all vessels to which this Directive applies must be certified in accordance with the requirements of the Convention and the relevant Regulations made by Antigua and Barbuda.

## September 2019

Signed by the authority of the Director of the Department of Marine Services and Merchant Shipping

Ambassador Dwight C. R Gardiner

Director / Registrar General