

**MARITIME CIRCULAR**

**SHIPPING NOTICE NO.004**

**GUIDANCE FOR PORT STATE CONTROL OFFICERS, RECOGNISED ORGANISATIONS, AND OTHER RELEVANT PARTIES ON THE REQUIREMENTS OF STCW 7/CIR.24/REV.1.**

The Ghana Maritime Authority wishes to inform all port State control officers, flag State inspectors, marine surveyors, recognised organisations, shipping companies and the general public that effective **1st** **February**, **2018** they are required to comply with and conduct their activities in accordance with the provisions of STCW.7/Circular.24/Rev.1adopted by the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) on 16th June, 2017.

This is issued in accordance with section 479A of the Ghana Shipping (Amendment) Act, 2011(Act 826), which mandates the Authority to issue maritime circulars for the purpose of disseminating relevant information on maritime safety, security, marine pollution prevention and any other relevant matter.

By this Notice, port State control officers, flag State inspectors, marine surveyors, recognised organisations, and shipping companies are required to comply with the provisions of the Circular accordingly.

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