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Digital nautical publications

Regulation V/19.2.1.4 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended (SOLAS) requires that all ships irrespective of size shall have nautical charts and nautical publications to plan and display the ship’s route for the intended voyage and to plot and monitor positions throughout the voyage.

Maritime Administration of Latvia (Flag State) accepts for ships flying the Latvian flag nautical publications necessary for the intended voyage in a digital format as meeting the requirements of SOLAS regulation V/27 issued officially by, or on behalf of, a Government, authorized Hydrographic Office or other relevant government institution.

The publications in digital form are always available to the Officer of the Watch and that the ship’s master and navigational officers are trained to use the system.

The back-up digital publications shall also be installed on another computer onboard, which shall also be made available to the Officer of the Watch within a short period of time.

The nautical publications in digital format shall be adequate and up to date for the intended voyage in accordance with SOLAS regulation V/27.

Maritime Administration of Latvia (Flag State) hereby gives notification that, subject to the above conditions, it accepts on all ships under the Latvian flag irrespective of their size nautical publications in digital format which meets the carriage requirements of SOLAS regulations V/19.2.1.4 and V/27, respectively.

Yours sincerely,

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