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YACHT SAFETY ADVISORY No. 11-19

To: Yacht Owners/Captains, Managers, Agents, Recognized Class Societies and Appointed Representatives

Subject: PRIVATE YACHT LIMITED CHARTER OPERATIONS IN FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS

Date: 12 July 2019 (renewed 12 July 2021)

It has been brought to the Republic of the Marshall Islands Maritime Administrator's (the "Administrator") attention that private yachts participating in the Private Yacht Limited Charter (PYLC) program may be chartering in foreign jurisdictions where such charter operations are not permitted by local laws and regulations. This Advisory emphasizes the Administrator's policy that owners, managers, and Captains must verify the charter requirements of local jurisdictions and seek permission to operate under the PYLC Compliance Certificate.

The Administrator does not maintain a list of countries that allow private yachts to charter in their jurisdictions. It is the responsibility of the owner to verify that the local Port State Control (PSC) and other relevant authorities, such as the customs and tax authorities, permit charter operations of private yachts in their waters. Regulations may vary from country to country.

The Administrator does not regard a PYLC yacht as a commercial yacht. Thus, where local laws and regulations prohibit chartering of yachts that are not commercially compliant, the Administrator prohibits such operations.

To avoid misunderstandings with local authorities, it is advisable to not offer the yacht on public domains, brochures, etc. for charter in local waters, if this is not permitted or authorization has not been granted.

This YSA is evaluated annually by the Administrator and expires one year after its issuance or renewal unless otherwise noted, superseded, or revoked.