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Long-Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT) - Yachts

This Circular emphasizes the requirements for the carriage and operation of LRIT systems on Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI)-flagged yachts. It must be read in with RMI Marine Notice <u>2-011-25</u>, *Long-Range Identification and Tracking of Ships*, paying particular attention to §8.6 and §10.0 of that Notice.

1.0 LRIT Operational Requirements

- 1.1 The following yachts must be fitted with and operate a LRIT system in accordance with the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), Chapter V/19-1:
 - .1 all Commercial Yachts of 300 gross tons (GT) and above;
 - .2 Yachts Engaged in Trade (YETs):

a) of 300 GT and above certified to carry up to 12 passengers;

b) regardless of GT certified to carry more than 12 passengers;

- .3 Private Yachts Limited Charter (PYLCs) of 300 GT and above, assigned category 0 (unrestricted service) and category 1 (150 nautical miles); and
- .4 Passenger Yachts (PAXYs) of any GT.
- 1.2 PYLCs assigned Category 2 and Private Yachts may transmit LRIT information on a voluntary basis. See RMI Marine Notice <u>2-011-25</u>, §8.6.5.
- 1.3 A yacht's radio station, including the LRIT terminal, may be powered down when a yacht enters into seasonal lay-up, long-term shipyard periods, or similar long-term periods of layup. When the unit is to be powered down in such cases, the procedures in RMI Marine Notice 2-011-25, §10 must be strictly followed and notification provided to:
 - .1. the Administrator's Radio Service Area by email at: <u>radio@register-iri.com</u>; and
 - .2 the local authority (as permission may be required).
- 1.4 If an LRIT system ceases transmission due to the terminal being powered down intentionally and not in compliance with RMI Marine Notice 2-011-25, an administrative fee, as provided in RMI Marine Notice <u>1-005-2</u>, will be imposed for each occurrence.