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AGE AND TONNAGE (OR BHP) LIMITATIONS AND CLASSIFICATION REQUIREMENT OF VARIOUS VESSEL TYPES

MIA MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 17, September 10, 1978

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Please be informed that the Maritime Industry Authority Board, in its meeting on September 15, 1978, has approved the following guidelines/limitations on the importation of Vessels:

Type of Vessel Minimum
Size Limit Maximum
Age Limit

Barges Total restriction

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Tugboats 4000 BHP

12 yrs

LCTs 2000 DWT

10 yrs

Fishing Boats 250 GRT

10 yrs

Cargo Vessels 750-1000 DWT

8 yrs

1000 DWT and above

10 yrs

Ferry Vessels Total restriction

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Passenger Vessels No restriction

10 yrs

Cargo-Passenger Vessels 750 DWT

10 yrs

Specialized Vessels e.g. RO-RO/
Containerized/ Reefer/etc. No restriction

12 yrs

Tankers 1000 DWT and above

12 yrs

An additional two (2) years may be allowed in meritorious cases as determined on the basis of favorable cost-benefit analysis.

All vessels proposed to be imported should be classed by a recognized international classification society, i.e., an accredited member of the International Association of Classification Societies (IACS).

MARINA CIRCULAR No. 10 dated Jan. 1, 1977, insofar as it is not inconsistent with this Circular, shall remain in full force and effect.

Please be guided accordingly.

Adopted: 20 Sept. 1978.

(SGD.) GENEROSO F. TANSECO
Administrator

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