

**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR  
NO. 13-09-02**

**SUBJECT: Amending Memorandum Circular No. 01-01-2002 on the Mandatory Installation of NAVTEX Receiver and Satellite EPIRB to certain categories of Philippine registered vessels engaged in the coastwise trade.**

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In the interest of public service and in consonance with the agreements reached during the sub-committee meetings conducted by the Commission, sections II and IV of Memorandum Circular No. 01-01-2002 dated 14 January 2002 are hereby amended as follows:

**II. SCOPE/COVERAGE**

The following Philippine vessels engaged in the coastwise trade are required to be equipped with the NAVTEX Receiver and Satellite EPIRB navigational equipments;

- 2.1 Passenger and General Cargo Vessels of 150 G.T. and above;
- 2.2 Tankers and High Speed Crafts;
- 2.3 Fishing Vessels of 250 G.T. and above; and
- 2.4 Tugboats and Barges operating coastwise.

**IV DATE OF MANDATORY COMPLIANCE**

All vessels referred to in this circular is mandated to comply with the installation and maintenance at all times commencing from the hereunder specified dates:

- 4.1 Installation of the Satellite EPIRB – on or before 31 October 2002
- 4.2 Installation of the NAVTEX Receiver – on or before 31 December 2002

This circular takes effect fifteen (15) days after publication in a newspaper of general circulation and three (3) certified copies furnished the UP Law Center.

30<sup>th</sup> day of September 2002, Quezon City, Philippines

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