

**Masters of Isle of Man  
Commercial Yachts**

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**To whom it may concern**

**Large Yacht Code – GMDSS Radio Requirements**

For all yachts under 300 GT, there is no requirement in the Large Yacht Code (LY2) to have a shore-based maintenance agreement in place for Radio equipment.

For all yachts of 300 GT and above, there is no present requirement in the Large Yacht Code (LY2) to have a shore-based maintenance agreement in place for Radio equipment. However this is about to change with expected amendments to LY2 which will require the availability of radio installations to be ensured by using one of the following methods:-

- Duplication of equipment, **or**
- Shore-based maintenance, **or**
- At sea electronic maintenance capability.

The amendments, noted above, will come into force for all **new** vessels of 300 GT and above after the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011 and for all existing vessels 300 GT and above the first Radio survey after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016. These dates may be subject to change with due regard being given to the date of issue of the GMDSS Radio Amendments to LY2.

For and on behalf of the Isle of Man Ship Registry

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