

Regulation (EC) No 782/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council
of 14 April 2003 on the prohibition of organotin compounds on ships

Article 5

Prohibition of the bearing of organotin compounds which act as biocides

1 Ships entitled to fly the flag of a Member State as from 1 July 2003, and whose anti-fouling system has been applied, changed or replaced after that date, shall not bear organotin compounds which act as biocides in anti-fouling systems on their hulls or external parts and surfaces, unless they bear a coating that forms a barrier to such compounds to prevent them leaching from the underlying non-compliant anti-fouling system.

2 As from 1 January 2008 the ships referred to in Article 3(1) shall either not bear organotin compounds which act as biocides in anti-fouling systems on their hulls or external parts and surfaces, or bear a coating that forms a barrier to such compounds leaching from the underlying non-compliant anti-fouling system.

3 Paragraphs 1 and 2 shall not apply to fixed and floating platforms, FSUs and FPSOs constructed prior to 1 July 2003 that have not been in dry-dock on or after that date.

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Regulation (EC) No 782/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Art. 5 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(4\)](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions

- Annex 1 para. 1(3) substituted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(10\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Annex 1 para. 2(1) substituted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(10\)\(c\)\(i\)](#)
- Annex 1 heading words substituted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(10\)\(a\)](#)
- Annex 1 para. 1(4) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(10\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Annex 1 para. 2(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(10\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#)
- Annex 1 para. 2(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(10\)\(c\)\(iii\)](#)
- Annex 1 para. 2(4) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(10\)\(c\)\(iv\)](#)
- Art. 2(6) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 2(7) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(2\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 2(7) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(2\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 2(9) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(2\)\(c\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 2(9) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(2\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 2(11)(12) inserted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(b) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(c) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 3(1)(za) inserted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 6(1)(c) omitted by [S.I. 2019/311 reg. 8\(5\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)