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The Legal Regime of Marine Pollution Prevention from Vessels in Nautical Tourism

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NAUTICAL TOURISM IN CROATIA

- 139 nautical ports (anchorages, moorings, land marinas and marinas) on the Croatian coast
(The categorisation is carried out on the basis of the Law on Tourism Services Act and the Ordinance on Classification and Categorisation of Nautical Ports)
 - 71 marinas,
 - The total water surface area 3 614 784 m²,
 - **198152** vessels in tranzit in NP, which was by 8.6% more than 2015
(the largest number of vessels in tranzit came from Croatia 45.6%, Italy 16.3%, Germany and Austria)
 - Total income realised in nautical ports in 2016 amounted to 769 million kuna (as compared to 2015, the total income increased by 2.1%).
(Published by Croatian Bureau of Statistics, March 2017)

POLLUTION PREVENTION STANDARDS BOATS and YACHTS

- **MARPOL** – larger vessels, yachts of GT400t and above, or of over 24 meter length, or those which are certified to carry more than 15 persons (including passengers and crews)
 - most yachts and boats outside its scope !!!
- **New Recreational Craft Directive 2013/53/EU** – ensures that recreational craft placed on the market within EU fulfil , inter alia, pollution prevention standards
- **MARITIME ACT** (Art.111-117) Establishing the seaworthiness of a boat and yacht,
- **ORDINANCE ON BOATS AND YACHTS (OBY)**
- **The Rules for the Statutory Certification of Boats and Yachts**
(OBY and Rules harmonized with the EU Recreational Directive)

- Pollution prevention standards – **scope of application**
- - yachts and boats registered in Croatia
- - yachts and boats sailing in Croatian coastal waters !!!!
 - only those under foreign flag that are used commercially for the purpose of the charter or rental (Art/4 Ordinance on the Conditions for the Carrying out the Business of Chartering of the Vessels..)

- **The main technical requirement**

- recreational craft shall be constructed so as to prevent the accidental discharge of pollutants

- **The specific technical requirements** - the prevention of pollution by

- oil, sewage, garbage** – holding tanks with standard discharge connections, follow up discharge criteria

- Note: Sewage holding tanks - “retrofit” for boats !!!

- anti-fouling systems** – is forbidden to use harmful organotins in anti-fouling paints

IMPORTANT - The discharge of pollutants into the sea is prohibited within the Croatian coastal sea (Art/49b of the MC) – port reception facilities

INSPECTIONS

Croatian Register of Shipping - the seaworthiness of yachts registered in Croatian register

Competent HarbourMaster's Offices - the seaworthiness of boats registered in Croatian ledgers –

non-conformity with pollution prevention standards - maritime offence

Inspection Control of the Safety of Navigation in the port or croatian coastal sea (croatian and foreign flag boats and yachts) – Inspectors of the safety of navigation of the Ministry of the Sea

IMPORTANT - **only** in the case of a report or direct observations of non-conformity with the relevant technical requirement or pollution
- it is recommended to organise random inspection control !!!



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