



# MLC status overview

## European Commission perspective

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# MLC 2006

Recognising the importance of the MLC being a first maritime labour code for more than 1.2 million of seafarers worldwide, the EU authorised with a Council Decision of 7 June 2007 Member States to ratify the Convention.

All Member States with maritime interests have ratified the MLC 2006.



# MLC 2006 within EU legislation

The EU legislative framework for social aspects of maritime transport sector aims at improving working and living conditions at sea and is defined by EU Directive transposing two most important international law instruments

## **The Maritime Labour Convention of the ILO**

- **The Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for seafarers of the IMO**

- into EU law.



# EU Directives implementing MLC

- Directive 1999/63 → substantially amended by Directive 2009/13 → updated by Directive 2018/131
- Directive 2013/54
- Directive 2013/38 amending Directive 2009/16



# Social legislation

The Directive 2009/13 as amended, by its annex a European social partners agreement, implements the MLC 2006 into EU law.

The Directive applies to all seafarers on board ships registered in an EU Member State and/or flying the EU MS flag.



# Control and compliance

- Directive 2009/16, as amended, on Port State control
- Directive 2013/54 on flag state responsibilities for compliance with and enforcement of the MLC.

Title 5. of the MLC 2006.



# Thank you



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