**LEGAL UPDATE (July 27th, 2022)**

In this issue, we would like to bring to your attention to the following:

* Shorten the time for issuing licenses to import cyberinformation security products.
* Amending regulations on appraisal of ship design.
1. **Shorten the time for issuing licenses to import cyberinformation security products**

The Ministry of Information and Communications has just issued Circular 10/2022/TT-BTTTT amending a number of articles of Circular No. 13/2018/TT-BTTTT dated October 15th, 2018 stipulating the List of cyberinformation security products imported under licenses and the procedures and dossiers for issuance of a license to import cyberinformation security products.

Accordingly, the requirement of "license for trading in cyberinformation security products and services (copy)" is removed in the application file for an import license.

For online submission of application for import license, enterprises will submit via the Public Service Portal of the Ministry of Information and Communications, at https://dichvucong.mic.gov.vn or national public service portal.

At the same time, the Circular supplements regulations allowing enterprises to receive an electronic import license on the Public Service Portal.

In addition, the Circular also shortens the time for appraisal and returns the results of processing the application for an import license from 7 working days to 5 working days.

Circular 10/2022/TT-BTTTT shall take effect from September 15th, 2022.

**2. Amending regulations on appraisal of ship design**

The Ministry of Transport promulgates Circular 16/2022/TT-BGTVT amending a number of articles of the Circulars in the field of register.

Accordingly, regulations on appraisal of ship design in Circular 40/2016/TT-BGTVT are amended as follows:

- Regarding the application for appraisal of ship design, including:

+ 01 (one) original or electronic request form, under Form No. 02 in the Appendix of this Circular;

+ 01 (one) design document in electronic form (for the case of submission through the online public service portal) or 03 originals of the design document (for the case of direct submission or via the postal system or other methods).

- Organizations and individuals complete the dossiers as prescribed above and submit the dossiers directly or through the postal systems or through the online public service portal or by other suitable means to the Vietnam Register Department.

Circular 16/2022/TT-BGTVT will take effect from August 15th, 2022.

We hope this Newsletter would bring you useful information.

Best regards.

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