EXEMPTION FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF MARITIME RULE 91.4(1)

PURSUANT TO Section 47 of the Maritime Transport Act 1994,

I, STEPHEN PETERS, Manager Operator Certification, acting under delegated authority, being satisfied that –

(a) the granting of the exemption will not breach New Zealand's obligations under any convention; and
(b) the prescribed requirements are clearly unreasonable or inappropriate in the particular case; and
(ba) the risk of harm to the marine environment will not be significantly increased by the granting of the exemption; and
(c) the risk to safety will not be significantly increased by the granting of the exemption,

HEREBY EXEMPT:

PERSONS IN CHARGE OF STAND UP PADDLEBOARDS

FROM:

The requirements of Maritime Rule 91.4(1) –

91.4 Personal flotation devices

(1) No person in charge of a recreational craft may use it unless there are on board at the time of use, and in a readily accessible location, sufficient personal flotation devices of an appropriate size for each person on board.

PROVIDED THAT:

a) The stand-up paddleboarder is physically involved in riding breaking waves; and
b) The stand-up paddleboarder is attached to the board by means of a leg rope.

This exemption shall be valid until 31st July 2020, unless withdrawn earlier in writing by the Director.

SIGNED at Wellington on this 3rd day of July 2018

Stephen Peters,
Manager Operator Certification,
Maritime New Zealand,
Acting Under Delegated Authority