

# Shipping Regulations and Guidance

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## Flag State Regulations and Guidance Updates

- UK has published a new marine guidance note entitled '<u>International Labour</u> Organization Work in Fishing Convention (ILO 188) - Safe Manning'.
- Liberia has released a new marine advisory note entitled 'Advisory on Sanctions with Respect to the Construction, Mining, Manufacturing, and Textile Sector of Iran'.
- Panama has issued a new marine notice entitled 'IUU List'.
- Bahamas has updated the information bulletin '<u>Guidance for Ships Operating in or Near the Gulf of Oman, Strait of Hormuz and Persian Gulf</u>', and released a new technical alert entitled '<u>US Coast Guard Enforcement of Regulation 14 of MARPOL Annex VI and the 2020 Sulphur Cap</u>'.



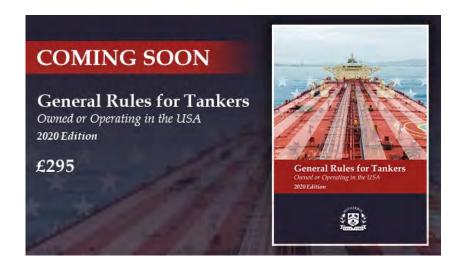
Our Technical Director, Johan Machtelinckx, talks about cyber security and the need for the shipping industry to wake up fast to the issues of cyber security: "Hackers see the shipping industry as 'low hanging fruit'".

- Bureau Veritas has published a new guidance document entitled 'Gas Fuelled Ships'.
- Korean Register of Shipping has released a technical information document entitled 'Designation of "SOX Emission Control Area" in Republic of Korea'.
- Lloyd's Register has issued a Class news alert entitled 'Safety notice issued: GEPA freefall lifeboat release systems'.

#### **Recent P&I Club Guidance**

- . New Industry Guidelines for the Carriage of Seed Cake in Containers
  - International Group of P&I Clubs
  - GARD
  - Japan P&I Club
  - North
  - The Standard Club
- . Outbreak of Coronavirus
  - SKULD
  - Japan P&I Club
  - North
  - The Standard Club
- The American Club has issued two new documents
  - a circular entitled 'Authorization Issued Providing for 90-day Wind-down Period for Pre-January 10, 2020 Contracts with Iran'
  - a member alert entitled 'Guidelines for Supervision and Management of Air Pollutant Emissions in the People's Republic of China (PRC)'.
- GARD has released two member alerts:
  - 'First lines ashore! Do we understand the risk?'
  - '2019 in review: Piracy and armed robbery at sea'.
- Britannia P&I has released four new documents:
  - two news alerts:
    - 'Libya: Current Situation'
    - 'China: Guidelines for Supervision and Management of Air Pollutant Emissions'.
  - · two circulars:
    - 'P&I Endorsements to 2020 Policy Year Certificates of Entry'
    - <u>War Risks P&I Cover Biological and Bio-Chemical Weapons</u>.
- Japan P&I Club has published a new circular entitled '<u>Alterations to the Rules of the Association</u>', and four news alerts:
  - 'International Group of P&I Clubs Annual Review 2018/19'
  - 'China Guidelines for Supervision and Management of Air Pollutant Emissions from Ship (issued by China MSA in December 2019)'
  - 'Greece Increased Fines for Marine Pollution'
  - 'Amendments (05-19) to the International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes (IMSBC) Code (on 1 January 2021)'.
- London P&I Club has issued a circular entitled 'Proposed Rule Changes Class 5'.
- North has issued three news alerts:
  - 'No Scrubs: More Ports Declare Ban on EGCS Discharges \*Update\*'
  - 'Status of Libyan Ports \*Update\*'
  - 'China Issues Guidelines on 2020 Sulphur Cap Enforcement'.
- Shipowners' Club has released two news alerts:
  - 'Back to basics guide: CGL insurance & Offshore'
  - 'Increased limits of liability in Singapore effective 29 December 2019'.

- The Standard Club has published an article entitled '<u>Eleventh Circuit decision</u> reaffirms narrow turnover duty of owners' and 12 news alerts:
  - 'Port security at Douala, Cameroon'
  - 'Prohibition on discharge of wash-water from open-loop scrubbers in Port of Karachi, Pakistan'
  - 'BIMCO releases new sanctions clauses for time and voyage charter parties'
  - 'US issues new security advisories to commercial shipping'
  - 'Panama Canal new fresh water surcharge'
  - 'USCG revised guidance on the Implementation of MARPOL Annex VI'
  - 'Bahrain Marine Notice for use of Exhaust Gas Cleaning System (EGCS)'
  - 'Suez Canal Authority clarifies position on open-loop scrubbers'
  - 'Ship detentions in Indonesia for violating territorial waters'
  - · 'Incident reported near to Port of Aden, Yemen'
  - · 'UAE instructions to vessels for oil sulphur limit'
  - 'China MSA publishes Guidance for Supervision and Management of Air Emissions from Ships'.
- The Swedish Club has issued two new member alerts:
  - 'Focus: Auxiliary engine damage'
  - 'Guidelines for supervision and management of air pollutant emissions from ships'.
- West has released two news alerts:
  - 'Yemen outbreak of dengue fever and chikungunya viruses'
  - 'Iran sanctions Wind-down period announced for recent measures'.
- UK P&I has issued a new guide entitled 'Book it right and pack it tight 2020 edition'.



#### Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- MCA is seeking responses to a <u>consultation</u> on 'revised marine guidance notes and methodology for offshore renewable energy installations'.
- IMO has released a <u>press briefing</u> on the progress of the sulphur limit implementation.
- BIMCO has issued an <u>update</u> on the tensions in the Persian Gulf and the new sanctions clauses.
- ICS has published a new guidance document entitled 'Guidelines for Shipowners to Avoid Age Discrimination On Board Ships'.

#### **Recent Accident Reports**

- UK The UK MAIB has released an accident investigation report into the shifting of cargo on board the Ro-Ro ferry 'European Causeway' which resulted in damage to 22 vehicles. The vessel had rolled heavily in very rough seas and high winds. It was found that the route followed by the vessel had not been adjusted to mitigate the effects of the conditions, and that the cargo lashings were insufficient for the forecasted conditions.
- Germany The BSU has released an <u>accident investigation report</u> into the grounding
  of the Ro-Ro dry cargo carrier 'Bore Bank' following the failure of the vessel's steering
  gear. The investigation could not establish any reason for the failure.

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#### **Recent IMO Circulars**

- BWM.2/Circ.72 17/01/20 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004. <u>View</u> Circular.
- HKSRC.1/Circ.15 09/01/20 HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFE AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND RECYCLING OF SHIPS, 2009. View Circular.

For all recent IMO public circulars, visit Shipping Regulations & Guidance.



## **Regulations Recently Entered into Force**

IMO and ILO regulations that have entered into force or been amended recently include:

• Fire Safety Systems (FSS) Code - A new Chapter 17 and amendments to Chapter 8 -

- effective from 01/01/20
- Effective date of implementation of the fuel oil standard in regulation 14.1.3 of MARPOL ANNEX VI – effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to MARPOL Annex VI effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to SOLAS III/3 and III/20 effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to SOLAS II-2/13— effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Mobile Offshore Drilling Units (MODU Code) – effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to SOLAS II-2 Regulation 1 and 10 effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to SOLAS II-1 effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the International Code of Fire Safety Systems (FSS Code) effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the IGC Code effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the International Code on Intact Stability 2008 (IS Code) effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Mobile Offshore Drilling Units, 2009 (2009 MODUCode) – effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to SOLAS II-1, SOLAS III and Certificates (Appendix) effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the IGF Code effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the HSC Codes effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the LSA Code effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to SOLAS II-1, IV and Appendix, and the HSC Codes effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the International Code for the Application of Fire Test Procedures (2010 FTP Code) – effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the IBC Code) and amendments to the BCH Code effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the IGC Code, amendments to the GC Code and amendments to the EGC Code – effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG Code) effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to Part A of the International Code on Intact Stability (2008 IS Code) effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the Code of Safety for Special Purpose Ships (2008 SPS Code) (MSC.445(99) – effective from 01/01/20
- Amendments to the Code of Safety for Special Purpose Ships (SPS Code) (MSC.453(100) and MSC,464(101)) – effective from 01/01/20

For a full and detailed list of recent IMO regulations, visit <u>Shipping Regulations & Guidance</u>.

#### A Guide to What's Happening at the IMO

- 13-24 January: Sub-Committee on Navigation, Communications and Search and Rescue (NCSR) – 7th Session
- 3-7 February: Sub-Committee on Ship Design and Construction (SDC) 7th Session
- 17-21 February: Sub-Committee on Pollution Prevention and Response (PPR) 7th
   Session
- 2-6 March: Sub-Committee on Ship Systems and Equipment (SSE) 7th Session
- 11-13 March: IOPC Funds
- 16-20 March: Legal Committee (LEG) 107th Session
- 30 March 3 April: Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) 75th Session
- 20-24 April: Facilitation Committee (FAL) 44th Session
- 11-12 May: IMSO Advisory Committee 45th Session
- 13-22 May: Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) 102nd Session
- 1-5 June: Sub-Committee on Human Element, Training and Watchkeeping (HTW) 7th Session
- 15-19 June: Technical Cooperation Committee (TC) 70th Session

- 29 June 3 July: Council 124th Session
- 20-24 July: Sub-Committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III 7) 7th Session
- 14-18 September: Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers (CCC 7) 7th Session
- 21-22 September: IMSO Advisory Committee 46th Session
- 28 September 2 October: Consultative Meetings of Contracting Parties (London Convention 1972) and Meetings of Contracting Parties (London Protocol 1996) (LC 42/LP 15)
- 19-23 October: Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 76) 76th Session
- 2-5 November: IOPC Funds
- 9-13 November: IMSO Assembly 26th Session
- 16-20 November: Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) 103rd Session
- 7-11 December: Council 125th Session

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