



## SHIPPING REGULATIONS & GUIDANCE

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### Flag State Regulation and Guidance Updates

- **Australia** – a [marine notice](#) on 'Fitness for Duty'
- **Hong Kong** – an [MSIN](#) on the 'Merchant Shipping (Limitation of Shipowners Liability) Ordinance (Amendment of Schedule 2) Order 2017'
- **Isle of Man** – a [Manx shipping notice](#) on the Isle of Man endorsement application process
- **Marshall Islands** – a [marine safety advisory](#) on 'Completing the critical items checklist prior to arrival in US ports'
- **Marshall Islands** – a [marine notice](#) on 'Electronic Documents and Certificates'
- **UK** – an amendment to [marine guidance note](#) 504 entitled 'Maritime passenger rights-role: national enforcement body'.

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### Recent Class Society Guidance

- **China Classification Society** – '[Rules](#) for Natural Gas Fuelled Ships, 2017'
- **Class NK** – a technical information [circular](#) on 'Periodical Survey in advance of Survey Window'
- **DNV GL** – a statutory news [article](#) on 'new requirements for authorized service providers regarding life-saving appliances'
- **DNV GL** – a statutory news [article](#) on the 'new requirement for thickness measurements of SOx scrubber overboard piping'
- **DNV GL** – an [update](#) on vessel biofouling management
- **Korean Register** – an [update](#) on the 'development of SEEMP Part II Standard Sample'
- **Lloyd's Register** – a statutory [alert](#) on 'new SOLAS requirements for damage control drills on

board passenger ships'.

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### Recent P&I Club Guidance

- **The GARD P&I Club** – an insight [article](#) on the new OCIMF pre-fixture tanker vetting cyber requirement
- **The London P&I Club** – a Stop loss [bulletin](#) that includes 'reducing the risk of liquefaction and propulsion loss'
- **The North P&I Club** – an [article](#) on 'Brazilian Requirements for Vessel Lay-up'
- **The North P&I Club** – an [article](#) on 'Brazilian Customs Regulation Changes – Bills of Lading'
- **The Standard P&I Club** – a web [alert](#) on 'Reported incidents during mandatory underwater inspections in Venezuela'
- **The UK P&I Club** – a Lessons Learnt [bulletin](#) concerning chemical injuries to eyes.

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### Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- **IMO** – has [announced](#) that Iceland has acceded to MARPOL Annex VI, bringing the total number of contracting States to 89 (equivalent to 96% of world merchant shipping tonnage)
- **EMSA** – has made available a [study](#) 'of two hazardous substances (PFOS and HBCDD) included in the annexes of regulation (EU) 1257/2013 on ship recycling'
- **UK** – the MCA has issued revised statutory [guidance](#) on the approval of stability information

- **UK** – the MCA has issued revised statutory [guidance](#) on navigation safety for UK seafarers
  - **USCG** – the USCG blog has published an [article](#) with ballast water management information.
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## Recent Accident Reports

- **Germany** – published an investigation [report](#) on the collision of the ship 'Meridian' with the ships 'New Yorker' and 'MSC Diana' at the pier in Bremerhaven
- **Malta** – published two investigation reports. The first [report](#) is on the grounding of the bulk carrier 'Robusto' near the entrance of the El Dekheila Channel in Egypt. The second [report](#) is on a serious injury that took place on the 'Catherine' during cargo operations in Portugal, when a crew member became entrapped between cargo containers
- **US** – published two investigation reports. The first [report](#) is on an engine explosion and fire that took place on a tug in Texas. The second [report](#) is on the allision of the cruise ship 'Celebrity Infinity' with a dock in Ketchikan, Alaska. It was determined that the *'probable cause of the Celebrity Infinity's allision with the dock was the master's failure to plan, monitor, and execute a safe docking evolution'*.

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## Recent IMO Circulars

- **MSC.4/Circ.254 - 21/11/17** - REPORTS ON ACTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS. [View Circular.](#)
- **NWRC.1/CIRC.36 - 21/11/17** - NAIROBI INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE REMOVAL OF WRECKS, 2007. [View Circular.](#)
- **BWM.1/Circ.44 - 14/11/17** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004. [View Circular.](#)
- **BWM.1/Circ.46 - 14/11/17** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004. [View Circular.](#)
- **PSLS.6/Circ.76 - 10/11/17** - PROTOCOL OF 1988 RELATING TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974, AS AMENDED. [View Circular.](#)
- **MEPC.2/Circ.22/Corr.3 - 08/11/17**– PROVISIONAL CATEGORIZATION OF LIQUID SUBSTANCES IN ACCORDANCE WITH MARPOL ANNEX II AND THE IBC CODE. [View Circular.](#)
- **BWM.1/Circ.45 - 08/11/17** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND

MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004. [View Circular.](#)

- **NWRC.1/Circ.35 - 07/11/17** – NAIROBI INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE REMOVAL OF WRECKS, 2007. [View Circular.](#)

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## Regulations Recently Entered into Force

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

- The Ballast Water Management Convention 2004 (effective 08/09/17)
- Amendments to MARPOL Annex IV – Baltic Sea Special Area and Form of ISPP Certificate (effective 01/09/17)
- Amendments to the Nox Technical Code 2008 – Testing of Gas-Fuelled and Dual Fuel Engines (effective 01/09/17)
- Amendments to Regulation 13 of MARPOL Annex VI – Record Requirements for Operational Compliance with Nox Tier III ECAs (effective 01/09/17)
- Amendments to MARPOL Annex II – Revised GESAMP Hazard Evaluation Procedure (effective 01/09/17)
- ECDIS – SOLAS CH V, Reg 19, para 2.10 (effective 01/07/17)

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

- Council (extraordinary session) – 20th to 24th November 2017
- Assembly – 27th November to 6th December 2017
- Sub-Committee on Ship Design and Construction (SDC) 5 – 22nd to 26th January 2018
- Sub-Committee on Pollution Prevention and Response (PPR) 5 – 5th to 9th February 2018
- Sub-Committee on Navigation, Communications and Search and Rescue (NCSR) 5 – 19th to 23rd February 2018
- Sub-Committee on Ship Systems and Equipment (SSE) 5 – 12th to 16th March 2018
- Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) 72 – 9th to 13th April 2018
- Legal Committee (LEG) 105 – 23rd to 27th April 2018
- Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) 99 – 16th to 25th May 2018

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