



## SHIPPING REGULATIONS & GUIDANCE

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### Flag State Regulations and Guidance Updates

- **Marshall Islands** – a marine notice entitled '[Systems Using Halogenated Hydrocarbons \(Halons\) and Other Ozone Depleting Substances](#)'.
- **Panama** – an updated marine circular on '[Internationally Recommended Transit Corridor \(IRTC\) and Compliance with the Best Management Practice \(BMP\)](#)'.

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### Recent Class Society Guidance

- **DNV GL** – has published an [article](#) giving guidance on the maintenance and operation of onboard safety and navigation-related equipment for ships calling at Canadian and Arctic ports currently experiencing extremely low temperatures.
- **Indian Register of Shipping** – has released four technical circulars: '[Panama circular on Regulation for use of the Ship Security Alert System \(SSAS\)](#)'; '[Liberia marine security advisory regarding ports not maintaining effective Anti-terrorism measures](#)'; '[Marshall Islands notice regarding Systems using Halogenated Hydrocarbons \(Halons\) and other Ozone Depleting Substances](#)'; and '[Bahamas information bulletin on Electronic Record Keeping Systems](#)'.

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### Recent P&I Club Guidance

- **International Group of Protection & Indemnity Clubs** – has published a revised version (3.0) of the [Guidelines for the Carriage of Calcium Hypochlorite in Containers](#).
- **The American Club** – has issued a member alert entitled '[INTERCARGO Warns of Heightened Indonesian Cargo Risks](#)'.
- **GARD** – has released one [alert](#) reminding owners and operators of Californian regulations for ballast water discharges and biofouling, which have been updated as of 1 January 2018,
- **GARD** – has issued an alert regarding the [Asian gypsy moth season 2018](#).
- **SKULD** – has published a piece of legal news called '[A googly spin on assessing proportionality of costs](#)'. It has also released a [loss prevention reminder](#) on snap-back zones.
- **Britannia P&I** – has announced the [release date for their 2018/19 rule books](#); the [launch of a new publication](#) called 'Crew Watch'; and the [dates of their annual training days](#) in London, which this year will take place between the 3rd and 7th of September.
- **The North of England P&I Association** – has released several industry news reports, including information on the [new requirements](#) for soya bean cargoes exported from the U.S. to China, and an [update on the port situation in Yemen](#).
- **The Shipowners' Club** – has issued a number of news pieces, including an article on '[Towage risks and cover in Latin America](#)' and a new [infographic](#) on 'Steps to Positive Mental Health', part of their Good Mental Health Guides series.
- **The Standard Club** – has issued three new web alerts: '[Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks – Update on Portugal and Sweden](#)'; '[Honduras – Oil Spill Response – new requirements – update](#)'; and '[U.S. Expansion of Department of Transportation \(DOT\) Drug Screening to include Semi-Synthetic Opiates](#)'.
- **The Swedish Club** – has released a circular called '[Maritime Labour Convention 2006 As Amended \(MLC\) – Liability for Uninsured MLC Liabilities](#)'.
- **The West of England Ship Owners Mutual Insurance Association** – has released an [alert](#) regarding new requirements for load and discharge operations in UAE ports.

## Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- **USCG** – has published a [final rule](#) removing the word 'danger' from the Inland Navigation Rules regarding maneuvering and warning signals, bringing the regulation into alignment with the IMO's International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972.
- **USCG** – has published the May–December 2017 edition of Proceeding's Magazine: [Game Changers: Turning the Tide on Maritime Challenges](#).
- **UK** – the UK Chamber of Shipping has [advised](#) that the Government's newly issued *Guide to the application of the Equality Act 2010 and National Minimum Wage for seafarers* 'does not make any change to legal entitlement for those working in UK waters'.
- **UK** – the Merchant Navy Training Board's (MNTB) Careers at Sea campaign is [sponsoring a full day during National Careers Week](#) for the first time. It will be called 'Tidal Tuesday' and will aim to inform young people across the UK of the opportunities and career prospects offered by the maritime industry.
- **BIMCO / ICS / INTERTANKO** – have published [interim guidance](#) on maritime security in response to the threats arising from the conflict in Yemen. Shipowners and operators in the area should be aware of these new threat patterns.

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## Recent Accident Reports

- **Germany** – has published a [final report](#) on the foundering of the fishing vessel '*Condor*', which resulted in one fatality. The report concludes that the '*Condor*' capsized while making a turning circle 'because her stability characteristics were problematic and did not comply with the provisions of the Guideline for fishing vessels'.
- **USA** – has issued a [brief](#) on the grounding of the bulk carrier '*Nenita*' on the Columbia River in Washington. The accident was caused by the failure of a main engine cylinder cooling jacket, which initiated an automatic reduction in engine speed, resulting in the eventual loss of steerageway.
- **New Zealand** – has released a [report](#) on the fire and subsequent sinking of the '*PeeJay V*', a restricted-limits passenger vessel, between Whakatāne and White Island. As the vessel was not retrieved, the lack of evidence resulted in the Commission being unable to ascertain the cause of the fire. It was however noted that 'the absence of a fire detection and automatic alarm system on the '*PeeJay V*' meant the crew had limited warning time and opportunity to respond to the fire and prepare the life-saving apparatus'.

## Recent IMO Circulars

- **III.3/Circ.5 - 23/01/18** - CASUALTY ANALYSIS AND STATISTICS [View Circular.](#)
- **STCW.2/Circ.84 - 23/01/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR SEAFARERS (STCW), 1978, AS AMENDED [View Circular.](#)
- **BWM.1/CIRC.49 - 15/01/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004 [View Circular.](#)
- **AFS.1/CIRC.68 - 15/01/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE CONTROL OF HARMFUL ANTI-FOULING SYSTEMS ON SHIPS, 2001 [View Circular.](#)
- **NWRC.1/Circ.37 - 15/01/18** - NAIROBI INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE REMOVAL OF WRECKS, 2007 [View Circular.](#)
- **COLREG.1/Circ.159 - 15/01/18** - CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTING COLLISIONS AT SEA, 1972 [View Circular.](#)
- **BWM.2/Circ.65 - 11/01/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004 [View Circular.](#)
- **CLC.6/Circ.71 - 10/01/18** - PROTOCOL OF 1992 TO AMEND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON CIVIL LIABILITY FOR OIL POLLUTION DAMAGE, 1969 [View Circular.](#)
- **PSLS.6/Circ.77 - 09/01/18** - PROTOCOL OF 1988 RELATING TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974, AS AMENDED [View Circular.](#)
- **MSC.4/Circ.256 - 05/01/18** - REPORTS ON ACTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS [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 EU MRV First Reporting Period (EU Regulation 2015/757) – effective 01/01/18
- SOLAS Chapter V, regulation 19 BNWAS – effective 01/01/18
- Amendments to the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic, 1965 (FAL) – effective 01/01/18
- Amendments to the IMDG Code (MSC.406(96)) – effective 01/01/18
- Amendments to the ESP Code (MSC/405(96)) – effective 01/01/18
- The Ballast Water Management Convention 2004 – effective 08/09/17.

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

- 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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