



SHIPPING REGULATIONS & GUIDANCE

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Flag State Regulations and Guidance Updates

- **UK** – an annex has been added to the marine information notice entitled '[Boatmasters' Qualifications, Crew and Hours of Work](#)'.
- **Marshall Islands** – a new marine safety notice titled '[Quality Issue in Cosmo Med and Type-Approved Fire Doors – Faulty A-60 A-0 and B-0 Fire Doors](#)'.
- **Panama** – an updated shipping circular called '[Authorized Private Maritime Security Companies \(PMSC\) transiting High Risk Areas \(online application\)](#)'.
- **Bahamas** – one updated bulletin: '[ISM Code Certification](#)', and one new bulletin: '[Voluntary Early Implementation of SOLAS Regulation II-1/12](#)'.

For full details of updates from flag States, log in to [Shipping Regulations & Guidance](#).

Recent Class Society Guidance

- **American Bureau of Shipping** – has released a new guide for [Managed Pressure Drilling Systems](#).
- **China Classification Society** – has published 2018 amendments to '[Rules for Classification of Sea-Going Steel Ships](#)' and '[Rules for Materials and Welding](#)'.
- **DNV GL** – has posted an article entitled '[The IMO adopts greenhouse gas reduction strategy](#)'.
- **Indian Register of Shipping** – has published three new technical circulars: '[RMI Marine Safety Advisory on Clarification related to Certification Requirements for Seafarers operating on ships in Polar Waters](#)', '[Vanuatu fleet safety letter on Pre Arrival Checklist Requirement](#)', and '[Antigua and Barbuda circular reg. Magnetic Compass: Guidelines on Installation, Compensation and drawing up of Deviation Tables](#)'.
- **Lloyd's Register** – has released a statutory alert for their members regarding changes to the '[Procedures for Port State Control, 2017](#)'.

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COMING SOON

Mooring Equipment Guidelines (MEG4) Fourth Edition 2018

Mooring a ship to a berth is a common function for the maritime industry, however incidents that harm ship and terminal personnel still occur. This publication establishes recommended minimum requirements that will help ship designers, terminal designers, ship operators and mooring line manufacturers improve the design, performance and safety of mooring systems.

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Recent P&I Club Guidance

- **GARD** – has published two articles: '[Get ready for New Zealand's new biofouling requirements](#)' and '[China implements special security inspections in Qingdao](#)'.
- **SKULD** – has posted a new article entitled '[USA: Marine casualty reporting - US Coast Guard Amends monetary property damage threshold amounts](#)'.
- **Japan P&I** – has issued two notices for their members: '[China MSA Implements Special Safety Inspection for Ships Entering Qingdao Water Areas until Mid-June 2018](#)' and '[Emission Control in Taiwan](#)'.
- **North of England P&I** – has published an alert for its members that '[the new Brazilian Migration Law is now in force and introduces new visa requirements affecting seafarers](#)'. They have also updated their article '[U.S Russian Sanctions – Frequently Asked Questions](#)'.
- **The Shipowners' Club** – has released the latest in their *Good Mental Health Guides* series: '[Managing stress with relaxation techniques](#)'.
- **The Standard Club** – has issued three new web alerts: '[What is the role of your P&I club during a major oil spill?](#)'; '[USCG increases marine casualty reporting thresholds](#)'; and '[ReCAAP launches new website and mobile app. Publishes Q1 report](#)'.
- **The Swedish Club** – has published an alert titled '[Libya: Tanker owners and crew at risk when trading oil in Libya](#)'.
- **West of England P&I Club** – has posted an update to their previous article regarding the increased sanctions on Russia: '[Russia – Increased Sanctions – Rusal & Trade with Entities on SSI List](#)'.
- **UK P&I** – has released a client alert entitled '[U.S modifies Russian sanctions against united company Rusal extending time to wind down contracts.](#)'

Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- **IMO** – has [announced](#) that Canada and Turkey have ratified 'a key compensation treaty covering the transport of hazardous and noxious substances (HNS) by ship' which brings 'the instrument a step closer to entry into force'.
- **International Chamber of Shipping** – has [praised](#) the strategy recently adopted by the IMO aiming to reduce CO2 emissions from the shipping industry by 50 percent by 2050.

- **BIMCO** – the Documentary Committee is expected to adopt a [new version](#) of the standard contract Bunker Terms in the first week of May. It is hoped that this will 'reduce the large number of supplier's terms and conditions used in the industry which slow down the contractual process and create uncertainty due to differing terms'.
- **IACS** – has published its [annual review](#) for 2017.
- **Bureau Veritas** – has released Stage 1 of its new cloud-based secure web application '[My Fuel Consumption](#)', which is intended to make 'compliance more straightforward with a digitized process - from submitting IMO-DCS plans to receiving confirmations and statements of compliance'. Phase 2 is scheduled for released in June.

Recent Accident Reports

- **UK** – has published a [report](#) of the investigation into a collision between the bulk carrier '*Huayang Endeavour*' and the oil tanker '*Seafrontier*' in the Dover Strait approximately 5 nautical miles to the west of Sandettie Bank. It was found that a number of factors came into play in causing the incident, including that a VHF radio conversation between the two vessels left the bridge crews with conflicting understandings of the situation, and that the master of the '*Seafrontier*' had been on the bridge for over 14 hours and so was probably fatigued.
- **Canada** – has published a [report](#) of the investigation into a fatality from a mooring accident on the bulk carrier '*Nord Quebec*'. The fatality was caused by a spring line, which had been caught under one of the dock's rubber fenders, springing back and above the level of the deck rail, striking the second officer. The officer had been leaning over the rail to visually assess the situation with the spring line, placing himself in the snap-back area when the incident occurred.
- **Bahamas** – has published a [report](#) of the investigation into a man overboard from the passenger vessel '*Vision of the Seas*', after he was found to be missing having not reported for work. A review of CCTV evidence found that the most likely course of action was that he had jumped overboard.

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Recent IMO Circulars

- **MEPC.1/Circ.876 - 23/04/18** - SAMPLE FORMAT FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF COMPLIANCE, EARLY SUBMISSION OF THE SEEMP PART II ON THE SHIP FUEL OIL CONSUMPTION DATA COLLECTION PLAN AND ITS TIMELY VERIFICATION PURSUANT TO REGULATION 5.4.5 OF MARPOL ANNEX VI [View Circular](#).
- **LLMC.1/Circ.60 - 18/04/18** - CONVENTION ON LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR MARITIME CLAIMS, 1976 [View Circular](#).
- **LLMC.3/Circ.51 - 18/04/18** - PROTOCOL OF 1996 TO AMEND THE CONVENTION ON LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR MARITIME CLAIMS, 1976 [View Circular](#).
- **SSE.1/Circ.2/Rev.1 - 16/04/18** - HALON BANKING AND RECEPTION FACILITIES [View Circular](#).
- **NWRC.1/Circ.38 - 16/04/18** - NAIROBI INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE REMOVAL OF WRECKS, 2007 [View Circular](#).
- **MSC.1/Circ.1563/Corr.1 - 11/04/18** - CARRIAGE OF DANGEROUS GOODS THE

INTERNATIONAL MARITIME DANGEROUS GOODS (IMDG) CODE [View Circular](#).

- **CT/AGR2012.1/Circ.9 - 05/04/18** - CAPE TOWN AGREEMENT OF 2012 ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE TORREMOLINOS PROTOCOL OF 1993 RELATING TO THE TORREMOLINOS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF FISHING VESSELS, 1977 [View Circular](#).
- **STCW-F.1/Circ.17 - 05/04/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR FISHING VESSEL PERSONNEL, 1995 [View Circular](#).
- **IMSO.1/CIRC.98 - 30/03/18** - CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL MOBILE SATELLITE ORGANIZATION, 1976 [View Circular](#).
- **MSC.1/Circ.1574/Corr.1 - 28/03/18** - INTERIM GUIDELINES FOR USE OF FIBRE REINFORCED PLASTIC (FRP) ELEMENTS WITHIN SHIP STRUCTURES: FIRE SAFETY ISSUES [View Circular](#).

For all recent IMO public circulars, log in to [Shipping Regulations & Guidance](#).

Regulations Recently Entered into Force

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

- Amendments to MARPOL Annex I, Appendix II (MEPC.276(70)) – effective 01/03/18
- Amendments to MARPOL Annex VI (Mandatory data collection system for fuel consumption) – effective 01/03/18
- Amendments to MARPOL Annex V (Garbage Record Book and HME substances) – effective 01/03/18
- 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

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A Guide to What's Happening at the IMO

- Legal Committee (LEG) 105 – 23rd to 27th April 2018
- Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) 99 – 16th to 25th May 2018
- Facilitation Committee (FAL) 42 – 4th to 8th June 2018
- Technical Cooperation Committee (TC) 68 – 18th to 22nd June 2018
- IMO Council 120 – 2nd to 6th July 2018
- Sub-Committee on Human Element, Training and Watchkeeping (HTW) 5 – 16th to 20th July 2018

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