



Shipping Regulations and Guidance

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Flag State Regulations and Guidance Updates

- **Australia** - has released a new marine notice entitled '[Proper stowage of cargo containers](#)'.
- **USA** - has published a new marine safety information bulletin on '[Amphibious Passenger Vessel Operations](#)'.
- **Liberia** - has issued two new documents:
 - a marine advisory note entitled '[Australia - Facilitating Compliance Without PSC Attendance](#)'
 - a marine security advisory entitled '[New Security Guidance – Anti-Piracy, BMP5, and GCPG](#)'.
- **Marshall Islands** - has updated two marine notices:
 - '[Requirements on Carriage of Publications On Board Ships](#)'
 - '[Reports Alleging Inadequate MARPOL Port Reception Facilities and Report Forms](#)'.
- **Panama** - has updated three circulars:
 - '[Radio Accounting Authorities and Point Service Activations](#)'
 - '[Authorization for Private Maritime Security Companies \(PMSC\)](#)'
 - '[Maritime Labour Convention \(MLC, 2006\). Amendments Regulations 2.5 \(Repatriation\) and 4.2 \(Shipowner's Liability\)](#)'.
- **Isle of Man** - has revised four shipping notices:
 - '[Recognised Organisations](#)'
 - '[ECDIS](#)'

- ['Long Range Identification and Tracking of Ships'](#)
- ['Bridge Navigation Watch Alarm Systems \(BNWAS\)'](#).

Recent Class Society Guidance

- **ABS** - has updated a guidance document entitled '[Guide for Certification of Lifting Appliances](#)'.
- **Bureau Veritas** - has issued two new documents:
 - '[Hull Arrangement, Stability and Systems for Ships Less than 500 GT](#)'
 - '[Cybersecurity Requirements for Products to be Installed On-Board Naval Ships](#)'.
- **DNV GL** - has published a new article entitled '[Increased risk of shaft fatigue due to long time for passing barred speed range \(BSR\)](#)'.
- **Indian Register of Shipping** - has issued two new technical circulars:
 - '[RMI ship security advisory reg. Guidance provided by Combined Maritime Forces on Maritime Security Transit Corridor](#)'
 - '[St. Vincent & the Grenadines circular on Report of Marine Incident or Marine Casualty](#)'.

The advertisement features a dark blue background with a yellow banner at the top right that says "OUT NOW". On the left, the SIGTTO logo is displayed in white with a yellow underline. Below the logo, the title "Ship/Shore Interface for LPG/Chemical Gas Carriers and Terminals" is written in white, followed by "First Edition 2018". A paragraph of white text describes the publication's content: "This publication describes risk assessment and hazard identification techniques that can be applied by LPG/chemical gas shipping staff and terminal operators. It identifies the principal risks at the ship/shore interface, including vessel arrival and departure, loading and discharge operations, gas detection, cargo sampling, release of vapour and exposure to hazardous products." The price "£175" is shown in large white font at the bottom left. On the right side, there is a small image of the book cover, which shows a ship at a terminal and includes the SIGTTO logo and title.

Recent P&I Club Guidance

- **The American Club** - has published two member alerts:
 - '[Latest Vessel Security Publications and Best Management Practices](#)'
 - '[OW Bunker Group Collapse: US Appellate Courts' Rulings Rejecting Bunker Maritime Lien Claims](#)'.
- **Britannia P&I** - has released two new circulars:
 - '[Implementation of the General Data Protection Regulation \('GDPR' Or 'Regulations'\) in Claims Handling](#)'
 - '[Implementation of the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679: General Guidance to Members](#)'.
- **Japan P&I Club** - has issued two news alerts:
 - '[Recent Navigation Warnings of China Waters No.70](#)'
 - '[Ukraine – Development of Ballast Water Problems](#)'.
- **North of England P&I** - has posted three news alerts:
 - '[*Update* New PSC Concentrated Inspection Campaign Targets Air Pollution](#)'
 - '[NATO Requests Reports of GPS Interference](#)'
 - '[Maritime Security: OCIMF Releases Guidance on Vessel Hardening](#)'.
- **The Standard Club** - has published four web alerts:
 - '[Turkey extends blue card system to yachts](#)'
 - '[A brush with catastrophe](#)'
 - '[NOAA releases first edition of 'US Coast Pilot''](#)'
 - '[Risks of cargo attachments in Curacao](#)'.
- **The Swedish Club** - has released three member alerts:
 - '[Monthly Web News: July 2018](#)'
 - '[MARS Report August 2018](#)'
 - '[Monthly Safety Scenario: Collision in restricted visibility](#)'.
- **West of England P&I Club** - has issued a news alert entitled '[Australia - Increased Fines for Polluters](#)'.
- **UK P&I Club** - has released three news alerts:
 - '[MOU Concentrated Inspection Campaigns - Focus on air pollution](#)'
 - '[Annual Fishing Ban - China](#)'

Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- **IMO** - Serbia has [become](#) the 74th country to accede to the IMO's Ballast Water Management Convention.
- **USCG** - The Area Maritime Security Committee's [Annual Report 2017](#) has been published.
- **Japan P&I** - has published the July edition of their monthly Loss Prevention Bulletin, '[Dragging Anchor - Case Studies and Preventive Measures](#)'.

- **UK P&I** - has issued a [press release](#) calling for greater crew education on hepatitis, as it has discovered that this is the cause of over 10% of cases of crew unfitness.

Recent Accident Reports

- **Germany** - has published a [report](#) on the investigation into the collision of the multi-purpose carrier '*Meridian*' with large container vessels '*NewYorker*' and '*MSC Diana*' at the pier in Bremerhaven. The investigation discovered a technical fault in the steering gear's control system.
- **Isle of Man** - has published a [report](#) on the investigation into the thermal decomposition of the ammonium nitrate based fertiliser cargo on board the '*MV Cheshire*'. This decomposition resulted in the evacuation of the crew from the vessel and the constructive total loss of the '*Cheshire*'. It was concluded that all recommended safeguards were evidenced as having been carried out, but the thermal decomposition occurred regardless. The '*Cheshire*' did not carry specialist equipment to deal with a thermal decomposition event (and there was no requirement to do so), and so all attempts to bring the situation under control were unsuccessful.

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Recent IMO Circulars

- **MSC.1/Circ.1593 - 27/07/18** - INTERIM GUIDELINES FOR THE HARMONIZED DISPLAY OF NAVIGATION INFORMATION RECEIVED VIA COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT [View Circular.](#)
- **MSC.1/Circ.1595 - 27/07/18** - E-NAVIGATION STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN – UPDATE 1 [View Circular.](#)
- **MSC.1/CIRC.1376/Rev.3 - 27/07/18** - CONTINUITY OF SERVICE PLAN FOR THE LRIT SYSTEM [View Circular.](#)
- **MSC.1/Circ.1588 - 25/07/18** - CARRIAGE OF DANGEROUS GOODS [View Circular.](#)
- **MSC.1/CIRC.1065/Rev.1 - 23/07/18** - IALA STANDARDS FOR TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF VESSEL TRAFFIC SERVICE (VTS) PERSONNEL [View Circular.](#)
- **SUA.3/Circ.43 - 23/07/18** - PROTOCOL OF 2005 TO THE CONVENTION FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF UNLAWFUL ACTS AGAINST THE SAFETY OF MARITIME NAVIGATION [View Circular.](#)

- **SUA.4/Circ.36 - 23/07/18** - PROTOCOL OF 2005 TO THE PROTOCOL FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF UNLAWFUL ACTS AGAINST THE SAFETY OF FIXED PLATFORMS LOCATED ON THE CONTINENTAL SHELF [View Circular.](#)
- **MSC.1/Circ.1587 - 16/07/18** - PROCEDURAL ASPECTS RELATED TO THE DRAFTING OF AMENDMENTS TO SAFETY-RELATED IMO CONVENTIONS, OTHER THAN THE 1974 SOLAS CONVENTION, AND RELATED MANDATORY INSTRUMENTS [View Circular.](#)
- **HNS.2/Circ.3 - 16/07/18** - PROTOCOL OF 2010 TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON LIABILITY AND COMPENSATION FOR DAMAGE IN CONNECTION WITH THE CARRIAGE OF HAZARDOUS AND NOXIOUS SUBSTANCES BY SEA, 1996 [View Circular.](#)
- **STCW-F.1/Circ.20 - 16/07/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR FISHING VESSEL PERSONNEL, 1995 [View Circular.](#)
- **IFC.7/Circ.21 - 16/07/18** - PROTOCOL OF 2003 TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR COMPENSATION FOR OIL POLLUTION DAMAGE, 1992 [View Circular.](#)
- **MEPC.1/Circ.778/Rev.3 - 13/07/18** - LIST OF SPECIAL AREAS, EMISSION CONTROL AREAS AND PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE SEA AREAS [View Circular.](#)
- **MSC.1/Circ.1500/Rev.1 - 12/07/18** - GUIDANCE ON DRAFTING OF AMENDMENTS TO THE 1974 SOLAS CONVENTION AND RELATED MANDATORY INSTRUMENTS [View Circular.](#)
- **FAL.6/Circ.14/Rev.1 - 12/07/18** - SHIP/PORT INTERFACE [View Circular.](#)
- **FAL.3/Circ.214 – 06/07/18** – ORGANIZATION AND METHOD OF WORK OF THE FACILITATION COMMITTEE [View Circular.](#)
- **MSC.1/Circ.1589 – 06/07/18** – GUIDELINES ON OPERATIONAL INFORMATION FOR MASTERS IN CASE OF FLOODING FOR PASSENGER SHIPS CONSTRUCTED BEFORE 1 JANUARY 2014 [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:

- Amendments to the 'International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers' (STCW) and STCW Code (MSC.416(97) and MSC.417(97)) – effective 01/07/18
- SOLAS CH V, Reg 19, para 2.10 – ECDIS – effective 01/07/18
- Amendments to the ESP Code on minimum thickness (MSC.412(97)) – effective 01/07/18
- 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

- Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers (CCC) 10-14 September – 5th session
- Sub-Committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III) 24-28 September – 5th session
- Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) 22-26 October – 73rd session
- 40th Consultative Meeting of Contracting Parties (London Convention 1972) and 13th Meeting of Contracting Parties (London Protocol 1996) 5-9 November
- IMO Council 19-23 November – 121st session
- Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) 3-7 December – 100th session

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