



Shipping Regulations and Guidance

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Flag State Regulations and Guidance Updates

- **Liberia** - has issued a new marine advisory note entitled '[Tokyo MoU and Paris MoU Concentrated Inspection Campaign on MARPOL Annex VI](#)'.
- **Marshall Islands** - has released three new marine safety advisories:
 - '[Concentrated Inspection Campaign MARPOL Annex VI Air Pollution - September Through November 2018](#)'
 - '[The Importance of Completing the Critical Items Checklist Prior to Arrival in United States Ports](#)'
 - '[SEEMP Part II - Early Submission](#)'.
- **Panama** - has updated six marine circulars:
 - '[Authorized Private Maritime Security Companies \(PMSC\) transiting High Risk Areas \(online application\)](#)'
 - '[Technical E-Certificates onboard](#)'
 - '[Instructions for Payments to CSR and ISSC](#)'
 - '[Ships engaged in the activities of support to the operations of capturing fishing resources](#)'
 - '[Approved service providers for lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear](#)'
 - '[List of Approved P&I Clubs/ Insurers – MLC](#)'.
- **Bahamas** - has released a new technical alert entitled '[Paris, Tokyo, Indian Ocean and Black Sea MoU 2018 Concentrated Inspection Campaign \(CIC\)](#)'.

Recent Class Society Guidance

- **ABS** - has published three new guidance documents:
 - ['Guide for Risk-Based Inspection for Floating Offshore Installations'](#)
 - ['Guide for Building and Classing Offshore Fish Farming Installations'](#)
 - ['Guide for Material Requirements for Higher-Ductility Hull Structural Steel Plates and Sections'](#).
 - **Bureau Veritas** - has posted two news alerts:
 - ['Marshall Islands - SEEMP Part II - Early Submission'](#)
 - ['Singapore - Ship General Arrangement Plans'](#).
 - **China Classification Society** - has released rule change notices for two documents:
 - ['Rules for Classification of Sea-Going Steel Ships'](#)
 - ['Rules for Materials and Welding'](#).
 - **DNV GL** - has published a news alert entitled ['Concentrated inspection campaign focusing on MARPOL VI – questionnaire now published'](#).
 - **Indian Register of Shipping** - has issued four technical circulars:
 - ['Liberia - Facilitating Compliance without PSC Attendance at Australian ports'](#)
 - ['Cyber Interference Reporting to NATO Shipping Centre'](#)
 - ['Concentrated inspection campaign \(CIC\) by Paris MOU on MARPOL Annex VI beginning 1 September 2018 and end on 30 November 2018'](#)
 - ['Concentrated inspection campaign \(CIC\) by U.S. Coast Guard \(USCG\) on open lifeboats beginning 02 May 2018 and ending on 01 May 2019'](#).
 - **Lloyd's Register** - has released two new statutory alerts:
 - ['Concentrated inspection campaign by Paris MOU and Tokyo MOU'](#)
 - ['2016 amendments to the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended'](#).
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Guidelines for Offshore Tanker Operations

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Recent P&I Club Guidance

- The withdrawal of the US from participation in the JCPOA, and the re-imposition of secondary sanctions on Iran, along with the entry into force of the European Union Regulation 2271/96 (Blocking Regulation), has prompted a number of circulars from P&I clubs, including:
 - [The American Club](#)
 - [GARD](#)
 - [SKULD](#)
 - [Britannia P&I](#)
 - [Japan P&I Club](#)
 - [London P&I](#)
 - [North of England P&I](#)
 - [The Shipowners' Club](#)
 - [West of England P&I](#)
- **The American Club** - has published a new circular entitled '[Pre-employment Medical Examination \(PEME\) Program: New Clinic in Piraeus, Greece](#)'.
- **Britannia P&I** - has issued four news alerts:
 - '[Singapore: Contaminated Fuel Oil Warning](#)'
 - '[Chittagong: Beware Imposter Surveyors](#)'
 - '[US Coast Pilot: New Edition Published](#)'
 - '[Argentina: San Nicolas Port Access Channel Dredging](#)'.
- **Japan P&I Club** - has published three news alerts:

- 'South Africa – Stowaway Prevention at Durban'
 - '[US – Safety Alert for Marine Heavy Fuel oil in Houston area](#)'
 - '[Port State Control – Concentrated Inspection Campaign \(Paris MOU and Tokyo MOU\)](#)'.

 - **North of England P&I** - has published a news alert regarding '[Fish Farm Claims in China](#)'.
 - **The Shipowners' Club** - has released a news alert entitled '[Subject to review clauses – Is there an intention to be immediately bound?](#)'.

 - **The Standard Club** - has published six new web alerts:
 - '[AMSA Marine Notice 2018/3 - Proper stowage of cargo containers](#)'
 - '[IMO 2020 global sulphur cap](#)'
 - '[Loss Prevention - Regulation Update 2018/19](#)'
 - '[How to cope with main engine failure](#)'
 - '[Web Alerts: Rescuing the rescue boat](#)'
 - '[EOS Risk Group report on the return of petro-piracy in the Gulf of Guinea](#)'.

 - **The Swedish Club** - has released a member alert entitled '[How to avoid incidents with Fishery Farms when navigating in Chinese water](#)'.
 - **UK P&I Club** - has issued a press release entitled '[UK P&I Club highlights consequences of flouting maritime cabotage regulations](#)'.
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Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- **EMSA** - has [published](#) their August 2018 newsletter.
 - **Maritime New Zealand** - has released the latest issue of their bi-annual '[Lookout!](#)' report.
 - **USCG** - has [announced](#) that it is seeking public comment on the draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Polar Icebreaker Program's design and build of up to six polar icebreakers.
 - **OCIMF** - has [issued](#) the July 2018 edition of their newsletter.
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Recent Accident Reports

- **Germany** - recently published a [report](#) on the investigation into the collision of the multi-purpose carrier '*Meridian*' with large container vessels '*New Yorker*' and '*MSC Diana*' at the pier in Bremerhaven. The investigation discovered a technical fault in the steering gear's control system.
- **Isle of Man** - recently 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.1592 - 03/08/18** - GUIDELINES FOR WING-IN-GROUND CRAFT
[View Circular.](#)
- **LEG.1/Circ.9 - 02/08/18** - ORGANIZATION AND METHOD OF WORK OF THE LEGAL COMMITTEE [View Circular.](#)
- **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.](#)

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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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