



Shipping Regulations and Guidance

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Flag State Regulations and Guidance Updates

- **USA** - has published two new safety alerts:
 - [Don't forget about Gangways and Ladders! Pilot dies in gangway accident.](#)
 - [Let us enlighten you about LED lighting! Potential interference of VHF-FM Radio and AIS Reception.](#)
 - **Panama** - has updated two circulars:
 - ['List of Approved P&I Clubs / Insurers'](#)
 - ['List of accepted companies with type approval Certificate of Ballast Water Management System'](#).
 - **Hong Kong** - has released four new merchant shipping information notices:
 - ['Amendments to the IBC Code and BCH Code'](#)
 - ['Initial IMO Strategy on Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships'](#)
 - ['Amendments to MARPOL Annex VI \(ECAs and required EEDI for RO-RO Cargo Ships and RO-RO Passenger Ships\)'](#)
 - ['Code and Amendments to the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004'](#).
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Recent Class Society Guidance

- **Lloyd's Register** - has released a new statutory alert entitled '[Amendment 39-18 to the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code](#)'.



The image shows the cover of a book titled 'Guidelines for Offshore Tanker Operations' by OCIMF. The cover features a blue background with a yellow banner at the top right that says 'COMING SOON'. The OCIMF logo is on the left. The title and 'First Edition 2018' are in white text. A photograph of two offshore tankers is on the right. The price '£275' is at the bottom left. The background of the cover is a dark blue gradient with a stylized wave graphic at the bottom.

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COMING SOON

Guidelines for Offshore Tanker Operations
First Edition 2018

This new publication provides guidance on the general principles, procedures and equipment required to safely moor and transfer cargo between offshore terminals and offtake tankers.

£275

Recent P&I Club Guidance

- **The American Club** - has released a new circular entitled '[American Club Loss Prevention: Illustrated \(Comic\) Booklets Now in New and Traditional Mandarin](#)', and a new alert entitled '[Mandarin Translations of Recent Club Circular Concerning US Sanctions on Iran](#)'.
- **Britannia P&I** - has issued three news alerts:
 - '[Hong Kong: Contaminated Fuel Warning](#)'
 - '[Launch of Joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign \(CIC\) on MARPOL Annex VI](#)'
 - '[CIC 2017 Results: Safety of Navigation](#)'.
- **Japan P&I Club** - has published two new circulars:
 - '[Maritime Labour Convention 2006 as amended \(MLC\) Financial Security Requirements International Group FAQs for Members](#)'
 - '[P&I Condition Surveys for Loss Prevention](#)'.
- **North of England P&I Club** - has issued an article entitled '[Iran Sanctions - Frequently Asked Questions](#)'.

- **The Standard Club** - has released a new web alert entitled '[Scotland's Decommissioning Challenge Fund](#)'.
- **UK P&I Club** - has published two news alerts:
 - '[Fines increased for marine polluters - Australia](#)'
 - '[Update on Venezuela's monetary reconversion](#)'.

Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- **IMCA** - has published the August 2018 edition of their magazine '[Making Waves](#)'.
- **USCG** - has released a [blog](#) containing guidance on which option should be selected on the NBIC's Ballast Water Management Report.
- **Bahamas Maritime Association** - has issued a safety alert entitled '[Fatality Onboard a Passenger Ship due to Nitrogen Cylinder Explosion](#)'.

Recent Accident Reports

- **Malta** - has recently published a [report](#) on the investigation into the death of the electrician on board the chemical tanker '*Scot Berlin*'. It was found that the probable cause of the fatality was the use of a pneumatic spray gun containing cleaning chemicals in an enclosed space without appropriate respiratory protection.

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Recent IMO Circulars

- **BUNKERS.1/Circ.81 - 22/08/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON CIVIL LIABILITY FOR BUNKER OIL POLLUTION DAMAGE, 2001 [View Circular](#).
- **GMDSS.1/CIRC.22 - 15/08/18** - MASTER PLAN OF SHORE-BASED FACILITIES FOR THE GLOBAL MARITIME DISTRESS AND SAFETY SYSTEM (GMDSS MASTER PLAN) [View Circular](#).
- **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](#)

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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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