



## Shipping Regulations and Guidance

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### Flag State Regulations and Guidance Updates

- **UK** - has published a new marine guidance note entitled '[Safety Management Code for Domestic Passenger Ships Amendment 3](#)'.
- **Liberia** - has issued a new marine operation note entitled '[Early Submission of the Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan \(SEEMP\) Part II for Review and Verification](#)'.
- **Panama** has updated two marine circulars:
  - '[List of Approved P&I Clubs/Insurers – MLC](#)'
  - '[List of Approved P&I/Insurers](#)'.
- **Bahamas** - has updated a bulletin entitled '[Incident Reporting Procedures](#)'.
- **Hong Kong** - has released a new merchant shipping information note entitled '[The exemptible clauses in accordance with the International Code of Safety for High Speed Craft for Hong Kong registered high speed craft engaged in cross-boundary voyages](#)'.

### Recent Class Society Guidance

- **American Bureau of Shipping** - has released a new guidance document entitled '[Guidance Notes on Yacht Design](#)'.
- **Bureau Veritas** - has published a report on the '[CCC 5 - 10 to 14 September 2018 major outcomes of the 5th session of the IMO Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers \(CCC\)](#)'.
- **Indian Register of Shipping** - has released two new technical circulars:
  - '[Use of Electronic Certificates on Board Sri Lankan Ships](#)'
  - '[Data collection system for fuel oil consumption of ships](#)'.
- **Lloyd's Register** - has published a new statutory alert entitled '[Inventory of Hazardous Materials - Early compliance with EU Ship Recycling Regulation](#)'.



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### Recent P&I Club Guidance

- **American Bureau of Shipping** - has released two news alerts:
  - ['International Chamber of Shipping \(ICS\) Guidance on Compliance with the 2020 Global Sulfur Cap'](#)
  - ['Considerations for Vessels Transiting and Calling Ports in Areas Affected by Hurricanes, Typhoons and Cyclones'](#).
- **SKULD** - has published an [article](#) warning of the drug smuggling risks at Colombian ports.
- **Britannia P&I** - has issued two news alerts:
  - ['PR China: Low Sulphur Fuel'](#)
  - ['Brown Marmorated Stink Bug \(BMSB\): Seasonal Measures Introduced'](#).
- **Japan P&I Club** - has released a [further update](#) on the emission control areas situation in China.
- **North of England P&I Club** - has issued an [update](#) on the current situation in Libyan Ports.
- **The Standard Club** - has published their September 2018 ['Technology Bulletin'](#), which 'explores the impact of technological advancements upon both the shipping and insurance industries'.
- **The Standard Club** - has also released two web alerts and a press article:
  - ['Web Alert: Filipino Supreme Court upholds employer-designated physician exam requirement'](#)
  - ['Web Alert: Constant vigilance is the key to safe sailing'](#)
  - ['Press Article: Finding the key to misdeclared cargoes'](#).
- **West of England P&I** - has published an article entitled ['Cargo - Nickel Ore'](#).
- **UK P&I Club** - has issued a new circular entitled ['10/18 Insurance Distribution Directive'](#). An [article](#) containing health advice on the topic of heart disease has also been released.

### Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- **UK CofS**- has published a blog post entitled ['Safety culture means safety and commerce can coexist'](#).
- **IAPH** - has released the September / November 2018 issue of their magazine ['Ports & Harbors'](#).
- **OCIMF** - has issued a new information paper entitled ['Marine Terminal Information Booklet: Guidelines and Recommendations'](#).
- **IUMI** - has created an [online learning program](#) on humidity management during transport of goods in containers.

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## Recent Accident Reports

- **Australia** - has recently published a [report](#) on the near-grounding of the bulk carrier 'Aquadiva' that was departing Newcastle Harbour, New South Wales. It was found that bridge resource management techniques were not effectively implemented during the pilotage.
- **Germany** - has recently published a [report](#) on a chemical reaction that took place in a fertiliser cargo on the bulk carrier 'Purple Beach'. The crew were evacuated due to medical concerns. The ship was towed to a place of refuge and the reaction was eventually extinguished after several days, although the ship was a total loss and subsequently scrapped.
- **UK** - has recently published a [report](#) on the unintentional release of carbon dioxide from the fixed fire-extinguishing systems on the vessels 'Eddystone' and 'Red Eagle'. The investigation determined that the maintenance of the fire-extinguishing systems was inadequate and that the guidance available on maintenance was insufficient. The report noted that while no person was harmed in either of the incidents, the unintended release of carbon dioxide from fire-extinguishing systems has caused 72 deaths and 145 injuries between 1975 and 2000.

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## Recent IMO Circulars

- **MSC.1/Circ.753 - 19/09/18** - REPORT ON FISHING VESSELS AND FISHERMEN STATISTICS [View Circular](#).
- **STCW.2/Circ.86 - 17/09/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR SEAFARERS (STCW), 1978, AS AMENDED [View Circular](#).
- **MSC-MEPC.1/CIRC.5/Rev.1/Corr.1 - 03/09/18** - ORGANIZATION AND METHOD OF WORK OF THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE AND THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COMMITTEE AND THEIR SUBSIDIARY BODIES [View Circular](#).
- **MSC.4/Circ.230 - 22/08/18** - REPORTS ON ACTS OF PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS [View Circular](#).
- **BWM.1/Circ.57 - 22/08/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004 [View Circular](#).
- **BWM.1/CIRC.56 - 22/08/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004 [View Circular](#).
- **AFS.1/CIRC.72 - 22/08/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE CONTROL OF HARMFUL ANTI-FOULING SYSTEMS ON SHIPS, 2001 [View Circular](#).
- **PMP.1/CIRC.217 - 22/08/18** - INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION FROM SHIPS, 1973, AS MODIFIED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 1978 RELATING THERETO [View Circular](#).
- **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](#).

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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 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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