



Shipping Regulations and Guidance

Week 26, 2019 – Friday 28th June

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Flag State Regulations and Guidance Updates

- **Panama** – has updated a number of circulars including:
 - ['Recognized Organizations approved for the issuance of the Class Certificate'](#)
 - ['Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 \(MLC, 2006\) – Authorized Recognized Organizations'](#)
 - ['Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 \(MLC, 2006\) – Certification Process'](#)
 - ['Ship Security Officers'](#)
 - ['Continuous Synopsis Record \(CSR\) online application'](#)
 - ['Stowaways Prevention of Access'](#)
 - ['Instructions and Procedure for the implementation and certification of the ISPS Code'](#)
 - ['Ship Security Alert System \(SSAS\)'](#)
 - ['Recognition of Company Security Officers \(CSO\)'](#)
 - ['Interim guidance on maritime security in the Southern Red Sea and Bab al-Mandeb'](#).

For the full list of updated circulars, please click [here](#).

- **Bahamas** – has released a new bulletin entitled ['Guidance for Ships Operating in or Near the Gulf of Oman, Strait of Hormuz and Persian Gulf'](#).
- **Singapore** – has published a new port marine circular entitled ['Guidelines for Preventing Pollution During Bunkering Operations'](#).
- **Hong Kong** – has issued two new merchant shipping information notes:
 - ['Collision between two vessels at waters close to Kaohsiung, Taiwan'](#)
 - ['Guidelines and sets of guidance for ensuring consistent implementation of the 0.50% Sulphur Limit under MARPOL Annex VI'](#).
- **Malta** – has published a new merchant shipping notice entitled ['Implementation of Regulation \(EU\) 2015/757'](#).

Recent Class Society Guidance

- **DNV GL** – has released an article entitled ['CIC 2019 focusing on emergency systems and procedures'](#).
- **Class NK** – has published a new technical news alert entitled ['Requirements for maintenance, thorough examination, operational testing, overhaul and repair of'](#)



Recent P&I Club Guidance

- **2020 Global Sulphur Cap – P&I Cover:**
 - [IG P&I](#)
 - [The American Club](#)
 - [GARD](#)
 - [SKULD](#)
 - [London P&I](#)
 - [North of England P&I](#)
 - [The Standard Club](#)
 - [Steamship Mutual](#)
 - [The Swedish Club](#)
 - [West of England P&I](#)
 - [UK P&I Club](#)
- **North of England P&I** – has released a news alert entitled '[Landmark Ruling in US on Punitive Damages for Injuries in Unseaworthiness Claim](#)'.
- **The Shipowners' Club** – has released an article entitled '[Secure State Cyber: Crewmembers' responsibilities for maintaining security of IT systems on board](#)'.
- **The Standard Club** – has released two documents:
 - a web alert entitled '[IMO 2020 guidelines for Singapore-registered ships and for ships calling to Port of Singapore](#)'
 - an article entitled '[Prudent owners should run for cover as pollution delays spike](#)'.
- **The Swedish Club** – has published a member alert entitled '[The importance of equipment tests: Rapid change of berth ended with damaged vessel](#)'.

Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- **USCG** – has released a '[Findings of Concern](#)' on the hazards of corrosion.
 - **IMO** – has issued a press release entitled '[Counting down to sulphur 2020: limiting air pollution from ships: protecting human health and the environment](#)'.
 - **MCA** – is carrying out a [consultation](#), seeking views on six draft marine guidance notes on yacht and powerboat safety at sea.
 - **Paris MoU** – The latest [Paris MoU: White, Grey and Black List](#), effective from 1st July, has been released.
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Recent Accident Reports

- **Australia** – The ATSB has released a [report](#) on the investigation into the grounding of the Australian Border Force cutter 'Roebuck Bay' on Henry Reef in the Great Barrier Reef. It was found that the deck officers did not have an adequate level of knowledge or understanding of the function of the ECDIS in order to operate it as the vessel's primary means of navigation, and also that the ECDIS audible alert buzzer had been permanently muted.

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Recent IMO Circulars

- **FAL.5/CIRC.41 – 25/06/19** – REVISED IMO COMPENDIUM ON FACILITATION AND ELECTRONIC BUSINESS [View Circular](#).
- **FAL.5/Circ.42 – 19/06/19** – GUIDELINES FOR SETTING UP A MARITIME SINGLE WINDOW [View Circular](#).
- **FAL.3/Circ.215 – 19/06/19** – EXPLANATORY MANUAL TO THE CONVENTION ON FACILITATION OF INTERNATIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC, 1965, AS AMENDED [View Circular](#).
- **PAL.4/Circ.32 – 19/06/19** – PROTOCOL OF 2002 TO THE ATHENS CONVENTION RELATING TO THE CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS AND THEIR LUGGAGE BY SEA, 1974 [View Circular](#).
- **MEPC.1/Circ.886 – 14/06/19** – GUIDANCE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROVISIONAL CATEGORIZATION OF LIQUID SUBSTANCES IN ACCORDANCE WITH MARPOL ANNEX II AND THE IBC CODE RELATED TO PARAFFIN-LIKE PRODUCTS [View Circular](#).
- **BWM.2/Circ.66/Rev.1 – 10/06/19** – INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004 [View Circular](#).
- **BWM.2/Circ.67/Rev.1 – 10/06/19** – INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004 [View Circular](#).
- **PAL.2/Circ.30 – 07/06/19** – PROTOCOL OF 1976 TO THE ATHENS CONVENTION RELATING TO THE CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS AND THEIR LUGGAGE BY SEA, 1974 [View Circular](#).
- **PAL.1/Circ.47 – 07/06/19** – ATHENS CONVENTION RELATING TO THE

- CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS AND THEIR LUGGAGE BY SEA, 1974 [View Circular](#).
- **MEPC.1/Circ.795/Rev.4 – 06/06/19** – UNIFIED INTERPRETATIONS TO MARPOL ANNEX VI [View Circular](#).
 - **MEPC.1/Circ.884 – 06/06/19** – GUIDANCE FOR BEST PRACTICE FOR MEMBER STATE/COASTAL STATE [View Circular](#).
 - **MEPC.1/Circ.885 – 06/06/19** – PROCEDURE FOR ASSESSING IMPACTS ON STATES OF CANDIDATE MEASURES [View Circular](#).
 - **MEPC.1/Circ.883 – 06/06/19** – GUIDANCE ON INDICATION OF ONGOING COMPLIANCE IN THE CASE OF THE FAILURE OF A SINGLE MONITORING INSTRUMENT, AND RECOMMENDED ACTIONS TO TAKE IF THE EXHAUST GAS CLEANING SYSTEM (EGCS) FAILS TO MEET THE PROVISIONS OF THE 2015 EGCS GUIDELINES (resolution MEPC.259(68)) [View Circular](#).
 - **MEPC.1/Circ.881 – 06/06/19** – GUIDANCE FOR PORT STATE CONTROL ON CONTINGENCY MEASURES FOR ADDRESSING NON-COMPLIANT FUEL OIL [View Circular](#).
 - **MEPC.1/Circ.864/Rev.1 – 05/06/19** – 2019 GUIDELINES FOR ON BOARD SAMPLING FOR THE VERIFICATION OF THE SULPHUR CONTENT OF THE FUEL OIL USED ON BOARD SHIPS [View Circular](#).
 - **STCW-F.1/Circ.22 – 31/05/19** – INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR FISHING VESSEL PERSONNEL, 1995 [View Circular](#).
 - **STCW.1/Circ.154 – 31/05/19** – INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR SEAFARERS, 1978 [View Circular](#).

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Regulations Recently Entered into Force

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

- Amendments to the IMSBC Code (MSC.426(98)) – effective 01/01/19
- Amendments to MARPOL Annex VI – N0x Tier III ECAs and BDN information (MSC.317(89)) – effective 01/01/19
- 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

- Amendments to Part B of the STCW Code (MSC.455(100)) – effective 01/01/19

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A Guide to What's Happening at the IMO

- Technical Cooperation Committee (TC) 24-28 June - 69th session
- Sub-Committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III) 1-5 July - 6th session
- IMO Council - 15-19 July - 122nd session
- Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers (CCC) 9-13 September - 6th session
- 41st Consultative Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Convention and 14th Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Protocol (LC 41/LP 14) 7-11 October
- IMO Council - Extraordinary Session - 21-22 November - 30th session
- IMO Assembly - 25 November-5 December - 31st session
- IMO Council - 6 December - 123rd session

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