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Recent Flag State Regulation and Guidance Updates

- **Bahamas - Information Bulletin - Training and Certification**

The Bahamas Maritime Authority has released an information bulletin on the training and certification requirements for seafarers sailing on ships subject to the IGF Code. [Read more.](#)

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- **United Kingdom - Marine Notice - Life-Saving Appliances**

The UK MCA has issued Marine Guidance Notice (MGN) 558 on the servicing and deployment of Marine Evacuation Systems (MES). This notice replaces MGN 463. [Read more.](#)

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- **United Kingdom - Marine Notice - Navigation**

The UK MCA has issued Marine Information Notice (MIN) 528 which sets out the Vessel Traffic Services V103 and Local Port Services Course Dates for 2016-2017. This notice replaces MIN 510 and expires on 31st July 2017. [Read more.](#)

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Recent Class Society Guidance

- **ABS - Rules and Guides - LGCs**

The American Bureau of Shipping has released a guide providing classification requirements for Liquefied Gas Carriers (LGCs) that may be used as storage facilities in certain conditions. [Read more.](#)

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- **ABS - Rules and Guides - Unmanned Aerial Vehicles**

The American Bureau of Shipping has released guidance notes on the use of unmanned aerial vehicles during class surveys and non-class inspections. [Read more.](#)

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- **IRClass - Technical Circular - Ballast Water**

The Indian Register has released two new technical circulars this week relating to Ballast Water Management. The first (40/16) gives details on IOPP Certificate renewal in respect of Ballast Water Management. [Read more.](#) The second advises on the entry into force of the Ballast Water Management Convention. [Read more.](#)

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- **Lloyd's Register - Classification Alert - Argonaut Software**

Lloyd's Register has released a new classification alert which gives details on a new version of their Argonaut software for thickness measurement reporting. [Read more.](#)

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- **Class NK - Technical News - Cargo Securing Devices**

Class NK has released instructions from the Administration of Marshall Islands in relation to the CIC on Cargo Securing Arrangements currently being carried out by the Tokyo MoU. These instructions relate to requirements for the quantity of onboard reserve cargo securing devices. [Read more.](#)

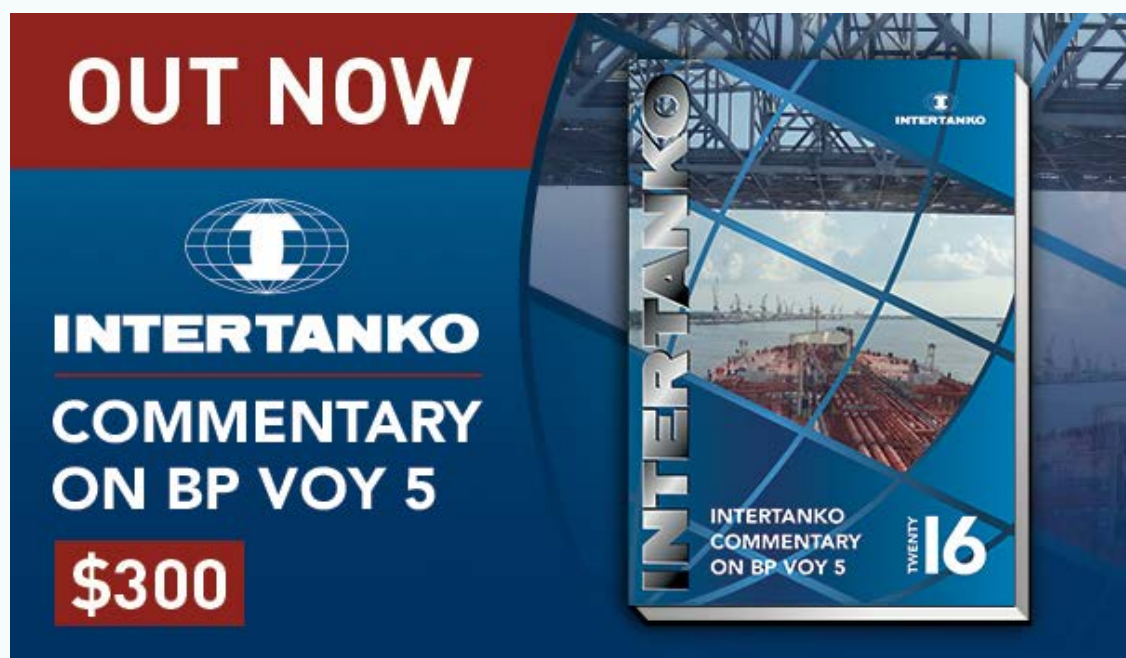
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- **Class NK - Technical News - CER Revision**

Class NK has issued a revised structure for the Condition Evaluation Report in accordance with the 2011 ESP Code. [Read more.](#)

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Recent P&I Club Guidance

- **GARD - Alert - EHIC**

GARD has released an alert outlining the benefits of ensuring that European seafarers carry a European Health Insurance Card when on board their respective vessels. [Read more.](#)

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- **Britannia - Circulars - MLC Certificates**

The Britannia Steam Ship Insurance Association Ltd has issued a circular advising members of the application process for obtaining MLC certificates to comply with the second stage of MLC which comes into effect on 18th January 2017. [Read more.](#)

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- **North P&I Club - Circular - Cargo Carriage Judgement**

The North P&I Club has issued a circular advising members of a recent successful appeal by North, on behalf of members CSAV, against a UK High Court decision relating to the carriage of cargo in the case *Volcafe Ltd and others v CSAV*. Had the High Court decision been allowed to stand, shipowners would have faced a significant increase in claims relating to hygroscopic cargoes, including rice, coffee and other grains. [Read more.](#)

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- **The Shipowner's Club - Bulletin - Singapore**

The Shipowner's Club has issued a bulletin outlining new bunkering procedures in Singapore that enter into effect from 1st January 2017. [Read more.](#)

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Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- **Hellenic Shipping News - Tankers**

According to a recent report published by global shipping consultancy firm Drewry, the entering into force of the Ballast Water Management Convention (2006) in September 2017 will result in an increase in tanker shipping demolitions over the next two years. [Read more.](#)

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- **USCG Blog - News - Cybersecurity**

The United States Coast Guard, in conjunction with NIST and several maritime industry stakeholders, has developed a voluntary cybersecurity profile for maritime bulk liquid transfer (MBLT) facilities. The profile is the first of its kind for the maritime transportation sector and is a response to the growing importance of cybersecurity within the industry. [Read more.](#)

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- **Trade Winds - News - US Election**

Trade Winds has issued an article detailing the uncertainties facing the global shipping industry in the wake of the election of US President-elect Donald Trump. [Read more.](#)

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Recent Accident Reports

- **UK - Accident Investigation Reports**

The UK MAIB recently published accident reports on two separate incidents of capsizes: the berthed scallop dredger '[Fredwood](#)' and the berthed trawler '[Saint Christophe](#)'. Both incidents resulted in the loss of the vessel. The reports highlight the importance of maintaining good communication between Port Authorities and the ship's crew.

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- **UK - Accident Investigation Reports**

The UK MAIB recently published three accident investigation reports on separate incidents on board the fishing ships '[Apollo](#)', '[Harvester](#)' and '[Annie T](#)'. Each accident entailed loss of life. The reports highlight the paramount importance of wearing lifejackets while working on the decks of small ships.

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- **USA - Marine Accident Brief**

The US National Transportation Safety Board has published an updated marine accident brief on the incident arising from the towing by USCG Cutter 'Kiska' of the recreational vessel '[Kolina](#)', which resulted in loss of life off Hawaii. [Read more.](#)

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IMO Recent Circulars

- **SN.1/Circ.244/Rev.1 - 15/11/16**

GUIDANCE ON THE USE OF THE UN/LOCODE IN THE DESTINATION FIELD IN AIS MESSAGES. [View Circular.](#)

- **PMP.1/Circ.212 - 09/11/16**

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION FROM SHIPS, 1973, AS MODIFIED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 1978 RELATING THERETO. [View Circular.](#)

- **HKSRC.1/Circ.6 - 09/11/16**

HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFE AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND RECYCLING OF SHIPS, 2009. [View Circular.](#)

- **SAR.1/Circ.96 - 03/11/16**

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON MARITIME SEARCH AND RESCUE, 1979. [View Circular.](#)

- **SLS.12/Circ.150 - 03/11/16**

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974. [View Circular.](#)

- **NWRC.1/Circ.28 - 03/11/16**

NAIROBI INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE REMOVAL OF WRECKS, 2007. [View Circular.](#)

- **STCW.1/Circ.151 - 03/11/16**

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR SEAFARERS, 1978. [View Circular.](#)

- **PMP.1/Circ.211 - 03/11/16**

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION FROM SHIPS, 1973, AS MODIFIED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 1978 RELATING THERETO. [View Circular.](#)

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A Guide to What's Happening at the IMO

- Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) - 21st to 25th November 2016 - 97th session
- Council - 5th to 9th December 2016 - 117th session
- Sub-Committee on Pollution Prevention and Response (PPR) - 16th to 20th January 2017
- Sub-Committee on Human Element, Training and Watchkeeping (HTW) - 30th January to 03 February 2017
- Sub-Committee on Ship Design and Construction (SDC) - 13th to 17th February 2017
- Sub-Committee on Safety of Navigation, Communication and SAR (NCSR) - 6th to 10th March 2017
- Sub-Committee on Ship Systems and Equipment (SSE) - 20th to 24th March 2017

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IMO Regulations Recently Entered into Force

- **SOLAS Chapter V, Regulation 19 - In Force 01/07/16**

Cargo ships, other than tankers, of 50,000 gross tonnage and upwards constructed before 1st July 2013, not later than the first survey on or after 1st July 2016, must be fitted with an ECDIS if engaged in international voyages. [Read more.](#)

- **SOLAS Chapter VI & Regulation XI-1/9 - In Force 01/07/16**

Updated cargo information requirements regarding mandatory verification of the gross mass for cargo carried in containers (Chapter VI, regulation 2); addition of new regulation 7 to Chapter XI-1 – Atmosphere testing instrument for enclosed spaces; updated details of life-saving appliances in Records of Equipment for Cargo Ship Safety Forms C and E (appendix). [Read more.](#)

- **ESP Code Amendments - In Force 01/07/16**

The 2011 ESP Code on the enhanced programme of inspections during surveys of bulk carriers and oil tankers is amended by the addition of sections related to rescue and emergency response equipment, the addition of sections relating to the Ship Construction File (SCF) and updated requirements for cargo tank testing. [Read more.](#)

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