

# Shipping Regulations and Guidance

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# Flag State Regulations and Guidance Updates

- **UK** has published three updates:
  - <u>'MGN 684 (M) Safety of powered watercraft'</u>
  - <u>'MIN 538 Amendment 5 (M) Codes of practice authorisation of certifying</u> authorities'
  - 'MGN 683 (M+F) IMO carbon reduction measures'.
- USA has issued a marine safety information bulletin entitled <u>'Reduced Visibility</u> from the Navigation Bridge'.
- **Singapore** has released a port marine notice entitled <u>'Repair Works at Police</u> Coast Guard Lim Chu Kang Base'.



# **Recent Class Society Guidance**

- China Classification Society has published a document entitled <u>'Rules for Construction of Ocean-going Steel Fishing Vessels 2023 RCN No.1'</u>.
- Indian Register of Shipping has issued two updates:
  - <u>'Prohibition on the use and carriage for use as fuel of heavy fuel oil by ships in Arctic waters'</u>
  - <u>'Measures to Improve Compliance and Minimize Risk of Port State</u> Control Detentions'.

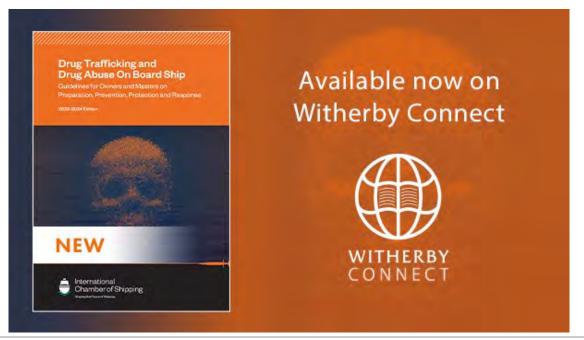


### **Recent P&I Club Guidance**

- The American Club has released a member alert entitled <u>'Good Catch Update:</u>
  The New Guy Animated Images'.
- Gard has issued three updates:
  - 'A brief introduction to the High Seas Treaty'
  - <u>'The Asian Gypsy Moth has been given a new name'</u>
  - <u>'Lithium-ion battery fires industry guidance and conference address</u> risks'.
- Japan P&I Club has published three updates:
  - <u>'IG launches a second safety animation to help prevent injuries and loss of life during mooring operations'.</u>
  - 'Status of Maritime Conventions (as of 1 April 2023)'
  - <u>'Akashi Kaikyo Traffic Route and its vicinity in 2023—Result of navigation safety measures'</u>.
- The Shipowners' Club has released an update entitled <u>Technology</u>, risk and insurance Getting the right perspective.
- West P&I Club has published two updates:
  - 'FuelEU Maritime Looking at the Potential Implications on Ships'
  - <u>'China Guangxi MSA Announces New Shipping Routes for the Beibu</u>
     Gulf'.
- **UK P&I Club** has issued an update entitled <u>'California CARB Mandatory At-Berth</u> Regulation'.

# Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- UK MAIB has released volume one of their safety digest for 2023.
- **Britannia P&I Club** has published the April edition of <u>Crew Watch</u>.



## **Recent Accident Reports**

• Malta – Transport Malta has released a <u>safety investigation report</u> into the fatal fall of a crew member on board the MV 'Seminole'. The accident occurred while the ship was berthed at Constanţa, Romania. The ship was required to shift 10 m astern and while heading to the aft mooring station to oversee the final securing of the mooring lines, the chief officer fell down a flight of stairs and was found unconscious. The injured chief officer was transferred by an ambulance to a local hospital, where he passed away two days later.

### **Recent IMO Circulars**

- MSC 107/2/2 05/04/2023 DECISIONS OF OTHER IMO BODIES.
- **Circular Letter No.4710 05/04/2023 –** Seventy-third session of the Technical Cooperation Committee (16 to 19 October 2023).
- TC 73/1 05/04/2023 PROVISIONAL AGENDA.
- Circular Letter No.4702 05/04/2023 Fifteenth meeting of the Intersessional Working Group on Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships (26 to 30 June 2023).
- MSC 107/INF.15 05/04/2023 DEVELOPMENT OF A GOAL-BASED INSTRUMENT FOR MARITIME AUTONOMOUS SURFACE SHIPS (MASS).
- ISWG-GHG 14/INF.1 05/04/2023 LIST OF PARTICIPANTS.
- MSC 107/INF.16 05/04/2023 DEVELOPMENT OF A GOAL-BASED INSTRUMENT FOR MARITIME AUTONOMOUS SURFACE SHIPS (MASS).
- MSC 107/INF.12 05/04/2023 DEVELOPMENT OF A GOAL-BASED INSTRUMENT FOR MARITIME AUTONOMOUS SURFACE SHIPS (MASS).
- MSC 107/INF.10 05/04/2023 GOAL-BASED NEW SHIP CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS.

 MSC 107/INF.17 - 05/04/2023 - MEASURES TO ENHANCE MARITIME SECURITY.

## **Regulations Recently Entered into Force**

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

- Amendments to the 2011 ESP Code as amended by resolution MSC.461(101) –
   Minimum requirements for thickness measurements at renewal surveys of double-hull oil tankers effective 1 January 2023
- Amendments to the STCW Convention 1978 New definition for "high-voltage" effective 1 January 2023
- Amendments to Part A of the STCW Code Inclusion of electro-technical officers in the definition of "operational level" – effective 1 January 2023
- Amendment to the AFS Convention Control of AFS containing Cybutryne effective 1 January 2023

# A Guide to What's Happening at the IMO

The IMO has released a programme of meetings for 2023. Please see the IMO's 'Meeting Summaries' webpage for more information.

- 24-28 April Sub-Committee on Pollution Prevention and Response (PPR)
- 08-17 May Sub-Committee on Navigation, Communications and Search and Rescue (NCSR)
- 31 May 09 June Maritime Safety Committee (MSC)
- 26-30 June Intersessional Working Group on the Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships (ISWG-GHG)
- 03-07 July Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC)
- 17-21 July IMO Council
- 31 July 04 August Sub-Committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III)
- 20-29 September Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers (CCC)
- 02-06 October Consultative Meetings of Contracting Parties (London Convention 1972) and Meetings of Contracting Parties (London Protocol 1996)
- 16-20 October Technical Cooperation Committee (TC)
- 23-24 November IMO Council
- 27 November 06 December IMO Assembly



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