

Shipping Regulations and Guidance

Week 30, 2023 – Friday 28th July 2023

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Flag State Regulations and Guidance Updates

- **Liberia** – has released an update entitled '[Inventory of Hazardous Materials and Ready for Recycling](#)'.
- **Panama** – has published an update entitled '[Tonnage Certificates \(ITC.69 and NTC\)](#)'.
- **Singapore** – has released an update entitled '[Removal of Single Buoy Mooring off Sakra Basin](#)'.
- **Malta** – has published an update entitled '[Revocation of Notices](#)'.

Recent Class Society Guidance

- **China Classification Society** – has released an update entitled '[CCS Rule Change Notice for Rules Classification of Mobile Offshore Units \(RCN No.1, July, 2023\)](#)'.
- **DNV** – has published two updates:
 - '[Port State Control CIC 2023 on fire safety ready for your attention](#)'
 - '[Turning the trend – Update of PSC Top 18 items](#)'.
- **ClassNK** – has released an update entitled '["ClassNK Technical Journal No.7"](#)'.

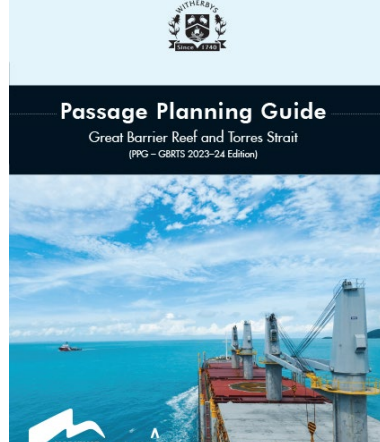
Recent P&I Club Guidance

- **GARD** – has published two updates:
 - '[Sanctions – The European Union's 11th sanctions package](#)'
 - '[Prepare for PSC CIC on fire safety](#)'.
- **Britannia P&I** – has released an article entitled '[Brazil: Update on Soybean Specs for Export 2023](#)'.
- **Japan P&I** – has issued an update entitled '[Argentina Customs fines](#)'.
- **NorthStandard** – has published an alert entitled '[Russia - Ukraine War: Impact on shipping](#)'.
- **West** – has released three updates:
 - '[Tunisia - Major Fire Incident at Port of Bizerte Renders Crucial Bridge Immovable](#)'
 - '[India - Prohibits Non-Basmati Rice Export to Ensure Food Security](#)'
 - '[MARPOL - EU Legislation and Directive Related to Waste Threshold Limits](#)'.

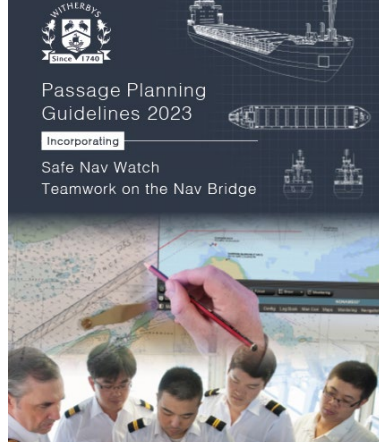
Other Regulations and Guidance in the News

- **IIMS** – has released three updates:
 - '[Wakashio report by the Panama Maritime Authority issued 3 years after Mauritius grounding](#)'
 - '[Maritime fuel fraud results in approximately \\$5 billion in losses](#)'
 - '[Boosting cybersecurity awareness in inland navigation and especially for ports](#)'.
- **IMO** – has published an article entitled '[World Maritime Theme 2024: "Navigating the future: safety first"](#)'.

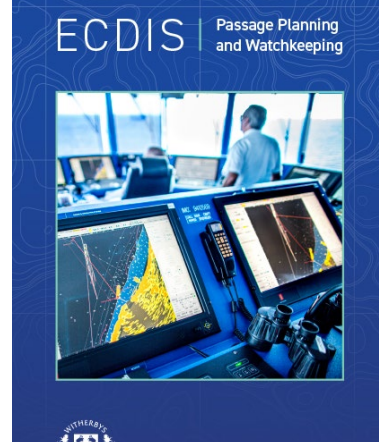
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Recent Accident Reports

- **Panama** – The Panama Maritime Authority has released an [investigation report](#) into the blocking of the Suez Canal by the MV 'Ever Given'. While the vessel was transiting through the canal it was hit with strong winds and ended up wedged across the waterway with its bow and stern stuck in the canal banks, blocking all traffic through the canal until it could be freed six days later. No persons were reported to have been injured but the blocking of the canal caused a queue of over 420 vessels.

Recent IMO Circulars

- **CCC 9/5/8 – 27/07/2023** – AMENDMENTS TO THE IMSBC CODE AND SUPPLEMENTS.
- **CCC 9/6/6 – 27/07/2023** – AMENDMENTS TO THE IMDG CODE AND SUPPLEMENTS.
- **Circular Letter No.4735 – 27/07/2023** – Appointment of the External Auditor.
- **LC 45/8 – 26/07/2023** – TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE.
- **III 9/17/1 – 26/07/2023** – ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR FOR 2024.
- **MSC.1/Circ.1671 – 26/07/2023** – UNIFIED INTERPRETATION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF REGULATION 2.10.3 OF THE 2009 MODU CODE, REGULATION 2.8.2 OF THE 1989 MODU CODE AND REGULATION 2.7.2 OF THE 1979 MODU CODE.
- **LL.10/Circ.87 – 26/07/2023** – PROTOCOL OF 1988 RELATING TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON LOAD LINES, 1966.
- **MSC.1/Circ.1537/Rev.2 – 25/07/2023** – UNIFIED INTERPRETATIONS OF THE 2008 IS CODE.
- **MSC.1/Circ.1672 – 25/07/2023** – GUIDELINES FOR MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING OF MATERIALS CONTAINING ASBESTOS ON BOARD MODUS.
- **MSC.1/Circ.1673 – 25/07/2023** – UNIFIED INTERPRETATION OF SOLAS REGULATION II-1/1.1.3.

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

List of amendments expected to enter into force this year and in the coming years

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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.

- 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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