



All respectful ICS surveyors

With my gratitude, respectfully,
Regarding to establishment of 89 meeting of MSC Committee at IMO from 11 to 20 May 2011, the outcomes of the meeting is announced via this circular. Also, in addition to this Circular, the further announcements in relation with amended statutory regulations will be done in near future.

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با سلام

احتراماً پیرو برگزاری جلسه 89 کمیته MSC در سازمان بین‌المللی دریانوردی مورخ 21 لغایت 30 اردیبهشت ماه سال جاری، بدینوسیله نتایج آن به شرح این بخشنامه به استحضار می‌رسد. همچنین لازم به ذکر است که علاوه بر بخشنامه پیش رو، اطلاع‌رسانی‌های مربوط به اصلاحات وارد بر الزامات قانونی متعاقباً انجام خواهد شد.

نسخه الکترونیکی بخشنامه مذکور در شبکه داخلی موسسه با آدرس ذیل قابل دسترسی می‌باشد:

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1. Introduction

The 89th session of Maritime Safety Committee was held at the IMO headquarter in London from 11 to 20 May 2011.

At this occasion, several topics were discussed and among them the following topics were the main items:

- Lifeboat Release and Retrieval Systems.
- Amendments to the IMSBC Code
- Piracy and armed robbery against ships.
- Long Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT).
 - Implementation of the Torremolinos fishing vessel safety Protocol

In this Circular, the following items are presented in annexed tables:

- A summarized report on approved Resolutions
- A summarized report on approved Circulars
- Further Approval
- Further works

For your more information, the reports of MSC on this meeting is enclosed to this Circular.

2. References:

- Ø IMO Website
- Ø IMO Docs Website

3. Approved Resolutions

Res. No.	Title	Reference	Summary
MSC. 317(89)	Adoption of amendments to the international convention for The safety of life at sea, 1974, as amended	SOLAS	Amendments on: Chapter III - Life-saving appliances and arrangements
MSC. 318(89)	Adoption of amendments to the international maritime Solid bulk cargoes (IMSBC) code	IMSBC Code	Amendments on: Appendix 1 - Individual schedules of solid bulk cargoes Appendix 4 - index
MSC. 319(89)	Adoption of amendments to part b of the international code on Intact stability, 2008	IS Code 2008	Amendments on: Part B, Chapter 2 - Recommended design criteria for certain types of ships
MSC. 320(89)	Adoption of amendments to the International life-saving appliance (LSA) code	LSA Code	Amendments on: Chapter IV - survival craft
MSC. 321(89)	Adoption of amendments to the revised recommendation on testing of life-saving appliances (resolution MSC. 81(70)), as amended	LSA Code	Amendments on: Part 1 - prototype tests for life-saving appliances
MSC. 322(89)	Operation of the international LRIT data exchange	SOLAS	
MSC. 323(89)	Adoption of amendments to the revised recommendation on testing of life-saving appliances (resolution msc.81(70))	LSA Code	Part 1 - Prototype tests for life-saving appliances
MSC. 324(89)	Implementation of best management practice guidance		

4. Approved Circulars

Circ. No.	Title	Reference
MSC.1/Circ.1392	Guidelines for evaluation and replacement of lifeboat release and retrieval systems	SOLAS Reg. III/1.5 MSC 317(89) MSC 320(89)
MSC.1/Circ.1393	Early application of new SOLAS regulation III/1.5	SOLAS Reg. III/1.5 MSC.1/Circ.1392 MSC 320(89)
MSC.1/Circ.1394	Generic guidelines for developing goal-based standards	IMO goal-based standards
MSC.1/Circ.1395	Lists of solid bulk cargoes for which a fixed gas fire-extinguishing system may be exempted or for which a fixed gas fire-extinguishing system is ineffective	SOLAS Reg. II-2/10 IMDG Code
MSC.1/Circ.1396	Amendment to the recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in Ships applicable to the fumigation of cargo holds	MSC.1/Circ.1264 SOLAS Reg. VI/4
MSC.1/Circ.1397	Unified interpretation of SOLAS regulation III/15.1 - stowage of marine evacuation systems	SOLAS Reg. III/15.1
MSC.1/Circ.1398	Unified interpretation of SOLAS regulation II-1/29	SOLAS Reg. II-1/29
MSC.1/Circ.1399	Guidelines on procedures for in-service maintenance and repair of coating systems for cargo oil tanks of crude oil tankers	SOLAS Reg. II-1/3-11 MSC.291(87) MSC.288(87)
MSC.1/Circ.1400	Guidelines on operational information for masters of passenger ships for safe return to port by own power or under tow	SOLAS Reg. II-1/8-1
MSC.1/Circ.1401	Guidelines on tank entry for tankers using nitrogen as an inerting medium	-
MSC.1/Circ.1402	Safety of pilot transfer arrangements	SOLAS Reg. V/23
MSC.1/Circ.1403	Revised NAVTEX Manual	SOLAS Reg. IV/12-2
MSC.1/Circ.1404	Guidelines to assist in the investigation of the crimes of piracy and armed robbery against ships	-
MSC.1/Circ.1405	[Interim] Guidance to ship-owners, ship operators and shipmasters on the use of privately contracted armed security personnel (PCASP) on board ships in the High Risk Area	-

Circ. No.	Title	Reference
MSC.1/Circ.1406	Interim recommendations for flag States regarding the use of privately contracted armed security personnel on board ships in the High Risk Area	-
MSC.1/Circ.1407	Guidelines for application of SOLAS regulation II-2/19.3	SOLAS Reg. II-2/19 MSC.269(85)
MSC.1/Circ.1408	Recommendations for safety when transferring persons at sea	-
MSC.1/Circ.1164/ Rev.9	Promulgation of information related to reports of independent evaluation submitted by Parties to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watch keeping for Seafarers (STCW), 1978, as amended, confirmed by the Maritime Safety Committee to have communicated information which demonstrates that Parties are giving full and complete effect to the relevant provisions of the Convention	-
MSC.1/Circ.1163/ Rev.7	Parties to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watch keeping for Seafarers (STCW), 1978, as amended, confirmed by the Maritime Safety Committee to have communicated information which demonstrates that full and complete effect is given to the relevant provisions of the Convention	-
STCW.7/Circ.16	Clarification of transitional provisions relating to the 2010 Manila Amendments to the STCW Convention and Code	-
STCW.7/Circ.17	Advice for port State control officers on transitional arrangements leading up to the full implementation of the requirements of the 2010 Manila Amendments to the STCW Convention and Code on 1 January 2017	-

5. Further Approval

Title	Summary
ISPS	IMO User Guide to SOLAS chapter XI-2 and the ISPS Code
CTU	Update to the IMO/International Labour Organization (ILO)/ United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Guidelines for packing of cargo transport units (CTUs)
LRIT	The MSC agreed that the transfer of operations of the International LRIT Data Exchange (IDE) from the temporary facility in the United States to the facility at the European Maritime Safety Agency in Lisbon, Portugal, should be conducted before 31 December 2011

6. Further Works

Title	Summary
SOLAS Reg. II-1/8-1	System capabilities after a flooding casualty on passenger ships
SOLAS Reg. II-2/19	Carriage of dangerous goods
SOLAS Reg. III/20.11.2	Operational readiness, maintenance and inspections
SOLAS Reg. VI/5-2 (New)	Prohibition of the blending of bulk liquid cargoes during the sea voyage
SOLAS Reg. XI/1-2	Enhanced surveys
Res. A.744(18))	ESP Guidelines
TDC Code	Draft Code of Safe Practice for Ships Carrying Timber Deck Cargoes, 2011
ESP Code	New draft International Code on Enhanced Program of Inspections during Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011
ILL	draft amendments to the International Convention on Load Lines (LL), 1966 (to shift the Winter Seasonal Zone off the southern tip of Africa further southward by 50 miles)
Entering Enclosed Space	draft Revised Recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships
Port State Control	draft Revised procedures for Port State Control, 2011
HSSC	draft revised Survey Guidelines under the Harmonized System of Survey and Certification, 2011
IMO instruments	draft revised and updated Code for the implementation of mandatory IMO instruments, 2011, to include the requirements deriving from amendments to relevant IMO mandatory instruments
WMO	the draft IMO/World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Worldwide Met-ocean information and warning service guidance document
ISPS	IMO User Guide to SOLAS chapter XI-2 and the ISPS Code
Torremolinos Conv.	Implementation of the Torremolinos fishing vessel safety Protocol