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## Shipping Information Notice – 051

### Update: Amendments to International Conventions and Codes expected to come into force in 2018

To: Ship owners, Operators, Managers, DPA's

This Shipping Information Notice (SIN) provides an overview of the known amendments to the existing statutory instruments and regulations, mandatory under the Conventions and associated Codes.

#### 1. SOLAS Convention

Convention/ Code	Amendment / IMO Res.	Date of Entry into Force	Applicable to	Subject
SOLAS	June 2013 / MSC.350(92)	01 January 2018 – First Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Survey	Cargo vessels with keel-laid <= 30 June 2002, GT >= 150, GT <= 499.	This amendment clarifying that the carriage of BNWAS is applicable to all ships (Also existing ships build before 01 July 2002).
SOLAS	Nov. 2014 / MSC.386(94) / New SOLAS Chapter XIV	01 January 2018 (Expected)	Cargo vessels, HSC, DSC, and passenger vessels, keel-laid <=31 December 2016. Ships operating in Polar water	New Chapter incorporated in SOLAS making the Polar Code (As adopted by MSC.386 (94), mandatory for vessels operating in Polar waters. The Polar Code contains Safety and environmental requirements. Existing vessels which are to operate in Polar waters shall comply with the Polar Code requirements applicable to existing vessels.
SOLAS	2009 Amendment s – Reg. V/19.2.10.9 (new sub – para 10.9)	01 July 2018 – First Cargo Ship Safety Equipment survey after 01/07/2018	Bulk Carriers and non-tanker/-bulk vessels, keel-laid <=30 June 2013, GT >=10000, GT <=19999. (Non-tankers)	Electronic Chart Display and Information System (ECDIS) mandatory – i.e. no longer only an option
SOLAS	Nov. 2012 / MSC.338	01 July 2018 – First Cargo Ship	Cargo vessels and Passenger	Introduction of new requirement for the carriage of two-way portable

	(91)	Safety Equipment survey after 01/07/2018	vessels, keel-laid <= 30 June 2014	radiotelephone apparatus of the explosion proof / intrinsically safe type for fire-fighter's communication.
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## 2. STCW Convention

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STCW	Dec. 2016	01 July 2018 (Expected)	All cargo vessels, HSC, DSC and passenger vessels	New regulation on the mandatory minimum requirements for the training and qualifications of Masters and Deck Officers serving on ships operating in Polar waters.
STCW	Dec. 2016	01 July 2018 (Expected)	All cargo vessels, HSC, DSC and passenger vessels	The detailing of the ship specific training for Masters and Officers serving on board ships operating in Polar waters

## 3. MARPOL Convention

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MARPOL	Oct. 2016 / Annex VI, Chapt. 1, 2 and 4 (new para. 22.2 and reg.22A)	31 March 2018	All cargo vessels, HSC, DSC and passenger vessels GT >=5000	Reporting of fuel consumption introduce. A plan for the data collection to be included in a new part II of the Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) subject for approval prior to 31 Dec 2018. An annual fuel consumption report (covering 01 January to 31 December) to be submitted for verification within 01 April in the subsequent year. First reporting year is 2019. A Statement of Compliance to be issued after the annual report is verified and submitted to the Administration within 01 June. Validity date to be 31 May the next year.
MARPOL	Oct. 2016 / Annex VI, Chapt. 4/Reg.22.2 (New para)	31 December 2018 (expected)	All cargo vessels, HSC, DSC and passenger vessels GT >=5000	Final date for the plan for data collection in the new Part II of the Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) to be approved. The first reporting period of annual fuel consumption starts 01/01/2019
MARPOL	Oct. 2016 / Annex V,	01 March 2018	All cargo vessels, HSC,	Annex V has been amended to cover handling of cargo residues

	Reg.4, 6, 10 and Appendixes		DSC and passenger vessels	from dry bulk and E-Waste (new category in record book), and Polar Code references. The Garbage Record Book form has been updated accordingly.
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#### 4. ESP Code and IMDG Code

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2011 ESP Code	Res. A.1050(27)	01 January 2018	All bulk carriers and oil tankers, GT >=500. ESP bulk carrier and ESP Oil Tanker	Introducing revised recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships, Res.A1050 (27) to be the basis for the agreement between the owner and administration. The requirement for a redundant back up team and a communication system are deleted from the ESP Code. These requirements are now covered in A.1050 (27) applicable to all vessels.
2011 ESP Code		01 July 2018	All bulk carriers and oil tankers , GT>=500	Clarification that the requirements for thickness measurements of structures subject to close-up examination are given by annex 2
IMDG Code	May. 2016	01 January 2018	All cargo vessels, HSC, DSC and passenger vessels	Amendment 38-16 to the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code, to reflect the latest changes to the United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

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