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ENTRY INTO FORCE OF AMMENDMENTS TO SOLAS'74.

- 1) Ch.II-2 Reg.4.5.10.1 Protection of pump room in tankers.(to be carried out by the first scheduled dry docking after 1st July 2002, but no later than 1st July 2005):
 - Pumps installed in the cargo pump room, driven by shafts passing through pump room bulkhead shall be fitted with temperature sensing device with an audible and visual alarm in the cargo control room..
 - A system for continuously monitoring the concentrations of hydrocarbon gasses shall be fitted, when the concentration of hydrocarbon reaches a pre set level, a audible and visual alarm shall be effected in various service spaces.
 - All cargo pump rooms shall be provided with bilge level monitoring devices together with appropriately located alarms.

 - 2) Ch.II-2 Reg.14/15/16 (for new and existing ships, not later than the first safety equipment survey after 1st July 2002)
 - A detailed fire protection maintenance plan is to be kept on board.
 - A detailed training manual shall be provided in each crew mess room.
 - A fire safety operational booklet containing the necessary information and instruction for the safe operation of the ship and cargo handling operations in relation to fire safety.

 - 3) Ch.V Reg.19.2.4 Automatic Identification System (AIS), to be fitted:
 - for new passenger ships. (constructed on/after 1st July 2002)
 - for tankers, ≥ 300 GT, engaged in international voyages, not later than first Safety Equipment survey after 1st July 2003
 - for existing passenger ships, irrespective of size, engaged in international voyages, not later than 1st July 2003
 - for other cargo ships ≥300 GT, engaged in international voyages, not later than the 1st safety equipment survey after 1st July 2004 or by 31st December 2004
- AIS shall:
- Provide automatically to appropriately equipped shore stations, other ships and air craft information, including the ships identity, type, position, course, speed, navigational status and safety related information.
 - Receive automatically such information from similarly fitted ships
 - Monitor and track ships; and
 - Exchange data with shore base facilities.
- 4) Ch.V Reg.1.2.5 All ships ≥ 500 GT shall, in addition to meeting the requirements of (5) shall have a gyro-compass or other means, to determine and display their heading by shipborne non-magnetic means and to transmit heading information for input to the AIS.

SHIPS CLASSIFICATION MALAYSIA

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