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AGENTS AND RELEVANT INTEREST PARTIES**



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TITLE	REQUIREMENTS FOR ATMOSPHERE TESTING INSTRUMENT FOR ENCLOSED SPACES
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To All Owners, Managers, Ship Builder and Designer of Malaysian Vessels,

1. This circular is to remind all affected parties that at the 94th session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee (MSC 94) meeting, an amendment to SOLAS XI-1 was made, introducing a new **Regulation 7**. This regulation requires an atmosphere testing instrument for enclosed spaces to be carried out onboard all convention ships. The amendment will enter into force on **01st July 2016**.
2. The amendments to SOLAS regulation XI-1/7 contained in IMO Resolution MSC.380 (94):
 - i. every ship to which SOLAS Chapter I applies shall carry an appropriate portable atmosphere testing instrument or instruments;
 - ii. as a minimum, these shall be capable of measuring concentrations of oxygen, flammable gases or vapours, hydrogen sulphide and carbon monoxide prior to entry into enclosed spaces;
 - iii. instruments carried under other requirements may satisfy this regulation. Suitable means shall be provided for the calibration of all such instruments.

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