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TO SHIP OWNER/SHIP MANAGER/INTERESTED PARTIES

Amendment Entering Into Force in 2021

NO	REGULATION	SUMMARY	REFERENCE	APPLICATION
1	2011 ESP Code	The complete text of the Code is replaced to align the Code with the survey and certification requirements of the IACS UR Z Series.	MSC.461(101)	01-01-2021 for bulk carriers and oil tankers
2	IBC Code	The carriage requirements for all IBC products will change, consequently vessels holding a certificate of fitness or a NLS certificate will need to be provided with a new certificate and corresponding product list based on the new carriage requirements. The new certificate will be issued prior to 1 January 2021 and will supersede the existing certificates on this date.	MEPC.318(74)	01-01-2021 for chemical tankers
3	IBC Code 2.2.6 & 2.2.7 (new sub-para.s.)	All ships shall be fitted with an approved stability instrument, capable of verifying compliance with intact and damage stability requirements. Existing instruments needs no replacement if satisfactory to the Administration. There are some conditions for exemptions. Paragraph 6 of Certificate of Fitness is updated accordingly.	MEPC.250(66) MEPC.369(93)	01-01-2021, final date for complying for chemical tankers
4	BCH Code	The carriage requirements for all IBC products will change, consequently vessels holding a certificate of fitness or a NLS certificate will need to be provided with a new certificate and corresponding product list based on the new carriage requirements. The new certificate will be issued prior to 1 January 2021 and will supersede the existing certificates on this date.	MEPC.319(74)	01-01-2021 for chemical tankers
5	GC Code Ch. II/2.2.4 & .5 (new sub-para.s)	All ships shall be fitted with an approved stability instrument, capable of verifying compliance with intact and damage stability requirements. Existing instruments needs no replacement if satisfactory to the Administration. There are some conditions for exemptions. Paragraph 6 of Certificate of Fitness is updated accordingly.	MSC.377(93)	01-01-2021, final date for complying for gas carriers
6	MARPOL 28.6 (new para.)	All ships shall be fitted with an approved stability instrument, capable of verifying compliance with intact and damage stability requirements. Existing instruments needs no replacement if satisfactory to the Administration. There are some conditions for exemptions. Paragraph 5.7.5 and 5.7.6 of the IOPP Certificate and Supplements, Form B are inserted accordingly.	MEPC.248(66)	01-01-2021, final date for complying for oil tankers
7	BCH Code Ch.II, 2.2.1 (replaced)	All ships shall be fitted with an approved stability instrument, capable of verifying compliance with intact and damage stability requirements. Existing instruments needs no replacement if satisfactory to the Administration. There are some conditions for exemptions. Paragraph 6 of Certificate of Fitness is updated accordingly.	MEPC.249(66)/ MSC.376(93)	01-01-2021, final date for complying for chemical tankers

8	IMSBC Code	Amendments providing updated information on the shipment of certain types of solid bulk cargoes. Consequential amendments to MSC.1/Circ.1395/Rev.3 on 'Lists of solid bulk cargoes for which a fixed gas fire-extinguishing system is effective' where approved accordingly.	MSC.462(101)	01-01-2021 for all cargo vessels (>500GT)
9	IGC Code Ch.2, 2.2.6 (in revised code)	All ships shall be fitted with an approved stability instrument, capable of verifying compliance with intact and damage stability requirements. Existing instruments needs no replacement if satisfactory to the Administration. There are some conditions for exemptions. Paragraph 6 of Certificate of Fitness is updated accordingly.	MSC.370(93)	2021-07-01 for gas carriers
10	ISM Code	The new Res. 428(98) encourages Administrations to ensure that cyber risks are appropriately addressed in safety management systems.	MSC.428(98)	First annual verification of DOC after 01-01-2021 for all cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels

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