



TECHNICAL CIRCULAR

TC No: 013/2020
26 OCTOBER 2020

TO SHIP OWNER/SHIP MANAGER/INTERESTED PARTIES

Ballast Water Management - New Type Approval Standard Applicable from 28 October 2020

Marine Department Malaysia has issue new **MSN 20/2020** regarding to the amendment of regulation A-1 and D-3 of the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ship's Ballast Water and Sediment, 2004.

The BWMS Code and effect on BWMS type approval

The BWMS Code was adopted by MEPC 72 and states that all BWMS that have a type approval according to the "old" G8 Guidelines adopted by Resolution MEPC.174(58) may be installed on board a ship until 28 October 2020 (see definition of "installed" below). Later installations, on or after 28 October 2020, shall comply with the Resolution MEPC.279(70) or the BWMS Code adopted by Resolution MEPC.300(72) and shall have a type approval accordingly.

This table summarizes the type approval references and the applicable installation due dates:

Type Approval	Due Date for Installation
MEPC.174(58), 'old' Guidelines (G8)	Prior to 28 October 2020
MEPC.279(70), 2016 Guidelines (G8)	On or after 28 October 2020
MEPC.300(72), BWMS Code	On or after 28 October 2020

Notes:

- "installed" means the contractual date of delivery of the BWMS to the ship. In the absence of such a date, the word "installed" means the actual date of delivery of the Ballast Water Management System to the ship. The reference for this definition is provided in BWM.2/Circ.66 Rev 1.
- For new buildings, "installed" usually means the ship's delivery date.

In case of any doubts regarding the applicable installation date of a BWMS, kindly refer to our SCM office. This should be done in due time before installation of the BWMS and provided with appropriate documentation confirming the installation date.

Delays due to COVID-19

In case the installation or the commissioning survey of a BWMS must be postponed due to COVID-19 (e.g. manufacturer/supplier staff cannot get on board or enter the yard thus the yard cannot deliver the system on time), please inform SCM office for further action.

Recommendation

SCM recommends owners and managers reviewed and act in line with the deadline on 28 October 2020 for on board installation of any BWMS having the old type approval according to Resolution MEPC.174(58). Impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic shall be addressed by customers to the Flag Administration.

For information, you may contact
SCM Office : +603-55138170, Fax : +603-55138086, Email : infohq@myscm.com.my

Captain M. Prathaban	+6012-2997278	mprathaban@myscm.com.my
Mohd Marby	+6012-6071147	marby@myscm.com.my
Mohd Nor Sahat	+6012-2349521	mdnor@myscm.com.my
Sosanto Yusup	+6013-3841229	sosanto@myscm.com.my