

**LIST OF CONVENTIONS, OTHER MULTILATERAL INSTRUMENTS AND AMENDMENTS IN  
RESPECT OF WHICH THE ORGANIZATION PERFORMS DEPOSITARY AND OTHER  
FUNCTIONS**

(as at 11 June 2024)

**(1)(a) International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS 1974)**

Entry into force:	25 May 1980
1981 amendments (MSC.1(XLV)) chapters II-1, II-2, III, IV, V and VI (subdivision, machinery and electrical installations, fire protection, radiocommunications, navigation, carriage of grain)	1 September 1984
1983 amendments (MSC.6(48)) chapters II-1, II-2, III, IV and VII (subdivision, electrical installation, fire protection, life-saving appliances, radiocommunications, carriage of dangerous goods, IBC and IGC Codes)	1 July 1986
1988 amendments (MSC.11(55)) chapter II-1 (ro-ro passenger ship door indicators and television surveillance)	22 October 1989
1988 amendments (MSC.12(56)) chapter II-1 (passenger ship damage stability)	29 April 1990
1988 amendments (Conference resolutions 1 and 2)	1 February 1992
1989 amendments (MSC.13(57)) chapters II-1, II-2, III, IV, V and VII (subdivision, fire protection, radiocommunications, navigation)	1 February 1992
1990 amendments (MSC.19(58)) chapter II-1 (cargo ship subdivision and damage stability)	1 February 1992
1991 amendments (MSC.22(59)) chapters II-2, III, IV, V, VI and VII (fire protection, life-saving appliances, navigation, carriage of cargoes, (Grain Code), carriage of dangerous goods)	1 January 1994
1992 amendments (MSC.24(60)) chapters II-2 (existing passenger ship fire protection)	1 October 1994
1992 amendments (MSC.26(60)) chapters II-1 (existing ro-ro passenger ship damage stability)	1 October 1994
1992 amendments (MSC.27(61)) chapters II-1, II-2, III and IV (fire protection, life-saving appliances,	1 October 1994

radiocommunications)

1994 amendments (MSC.31(63))

Annex 1: chapter V (ship reporting systems, emergency towing arrangements on tankers) 1 January 1996

Annex 2: chapter II-2 and V (protection of fuel lines, navigation bridge visibility) 1 July 1998

1994 amendments (Conference resolution 1)

Annex 1: chapters X and XI (safety measures for high-speed craft (1994 HSC Code), special measures to enhance maritime safety (A.744(18))) 1 January 1996

Annex 2: chapter IX (management for the safe operation of ships (ISM Code)) 1 July 1998

1994 amendments (MSC.42(64))

chapters VI and VII 1 July 1996  
(cargo information, loading, stowage and securing, Sub-chapter 1.9 of CSS Code)

1995 amendments (MSC.46(65))

chapter V (ships' routing) 1 January 1997

1995 amendments (Conference resolution 1)

chapters II-1, II-2, III, IV, V and VI 1 July 1997  
(ro-ro passenger ship safety)

1996 amendments (MSC.47(66))

chapters II-1, III, VI and XI 1 July 1998  
(construction, subdivision and stability, life-saving appliances (LSA Code), carriage of cargoes, Guidelines for the authorization of recognized organizations (A.739(18)) and Specifications on the survey and certification functions of recognized organizations acting on behalf of the Administration( A.789(19)))

1996 amendments (MSC.57(67))

chapters II-1, II-2 and V 1 July 1998  
(construction; machinery and electrical installations; fire protection, fire detection and fire extinction (FTP Code); carriage of dangerous goods)

1997 amendments (MSC.65(68))

chapters II-1 and V 1 July 1999  
(passenger ship subdivision and stability; vessel traffic services)

1997 amendments (Conference resolution 1)

chapter XII (bulk carrier safety, Standards for the evaluation of scantlings of the transverse watertight vertically corrugated bulkhead between the two 1 July 1999

foremost cargo holds and for the evaluation of allowable hold loading of the foremost cargo hold( resolution 4))

1998 amendments (MSC.69(69)) chapters II-1, IV, VI and VII (construction; radiocommunications; carriage of cargoes; carriage of dangerous goods)	1 July 2002
1999 amendments (MSC.87(71)) chapter VII (carriage of dangerous goods (INF Code))	1 January 2001
2000 amendments (MSC.91(72)) chapter III and appendix (life-saving appliances and arrangements)	1 January 2002
2000 amendments (MSC.99(73)) chapters II-1, II-2, V, IX and X and appendix (emergency towing arrangements, material containing asbestos, safety management, safety for high-speed craft (2000 HSC Code), fire safety( FSS Code))	1 July 2002
2001 amendments (MSC.117(74)) chapter VII	1 January 2003
2002 amendments (MSC.123(75)) chapters IV, V, VI and VII and appendix (carriage of cargoes (IMDG Code), carriage of dangerous goods)	1 January 2004
2002 amendments (Conference resolution 1) chapters V and XI (XI-1 and XI-2) (security of ships and port facilities (ISPS Code))	1 July 2004
2002 amendments (MSC.134(76)) chapters II-1, II-2, III and XII (Technical provisions for means of access for inspection (MSC.133(76)), fire protection, life-saving appliances and arrangements, bulk carrier safety)	1 July 2004
2003 amendments (MSC.142(77)) chapter V	1 July 2006
2004 amendments (MSC.151(78)) chapter II-1	1 January 2006
2004 amendments (MSC.152(78)) chapters III and IV and appendix	1 July 2006
2004 amendments (MSC.153(78)) chapter V	1 July 2006
2004 amendments (MSC.170(79)) chapters II-1, III, V, VII and XII and appendix (Standards and criteria for side structures of bulk	1 July 2006

carriers of single-skin construction (MSC.168(79)) and Standards for owners' inspection and maintenance of bulk carrier hatch covers (MSC.169(79) )

2005 amendments(MSC.194(80))

Annex 1: chapter II-1 1 January 2007

Annex 2: chapters II-1, II-2, VI, IX, XI-1 and XI-2 and appendix 1 January 2009

2006 amendments (MSC.201(81)) 1 July 2010  
chapters II-2, III, IV and V

2006 amendments(MSC.202(81)) 1 January 2008  
chapter V

2006 amendments(MSC.216(82))

Annex 1: chapters II-1, II-2, III and XII and appendix 1 July 2008  
(Performance standard for protective coatings for dedicated seawater ballast tanks in all types of ships and double-side skin spaces of bulk carriers (MSC.215(82)))

Annex 2: chapter II-1 1 January 2009

Annex 3: chapters II-1, II-2, and III 1 July 2010

2007 amendments (MSC.239(83)) 1 July 2009  
chapters IV and V and appendix

2008 amendments (MSC.256(84)) 1 January 2010  
chapters II-1, II-2, III and IV and appendix

2008 amendments (MSC.257(84)) 1 January 2010  
chapter XI-1 (Casualty Investigation Code)

2008 amendments (MSC.269(85))

Annex 1: chapters II-1, II-2 1 July 2010  
(2008 IS Code)

Annex 2: chapters II-2, VI and VII 1 January 2011  
(IMSBC Code)

2009 amendments (MSC.282(86)) 1 January 2011  
chapters II-1, V and VI and appendix

2010 amendments (MSC.290(87)) 1 January 2012  
chapter II-1  
(International Goal-based Ship Construction Standards for Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers (MSC.287(87)))

2010 amendments (MSC.291(87)) 1 January 2012  
chapters II-1 and II-2

(Performance Standard for Protective Coatings for Cargo Oil Tanks of Crude Oil Tankers (MSC.288(87)) and Performance Standard for Protective Coatings for Alternative Means of Corrosion Protection for Cargo Oil Tanks of Crude Oil Tankers (MSC.289(87)))	
2010 amendments(MSC.308(88)) chapters II-1, II-2 and V and appendix (2010 FTP Code)	1 July 2012
2010 amendments(MSC.308(88)) chapters II-1, II-2 and V and appendix (2010 FTP Code)	1 July 2012
2011 amendments (MSC.317(89)) chapter III	1 January 2013
2011 amendments (MSC.317(89)) chapter III	1 January 2013
2013 amendments (MSC. 350(92)) chapters III, V and XI-1 (RO Code (MSC.349(92)))	1 January 2015
2014 amendments (MSC. 365(93)) (chapters II-1 and II-2)	1 January 2016
2014 amendments (MSC. 366(93)) (addition of a new chapter XIII)	1 January 2016
2014 amendments (MSC. 380(94)) (Chapters II-2, VI and XI-1 and appendix)	1 July 2016
2014 amendments (MSC.386(94)) (new chapter XIV) to make use of the safety-related provisions of the Polar Code mandatory	1 January 2017
2015 amendments (MSC.392(95)) (Chapters II-1, II-2 and Appendix)	1 January 2017
2016 amendments (MSC.404(96)) (Chapters II-2 and III)	1 January 2020
2016 amendments (MSC.409(97)) (Chapters II-1, II-2 and XI-1)	1 January 2020

2017 amendments (MSC.421(98)) (chapters II-1, II-2 and III and the appendix to the annex)	1 January 2020
2018 amendments (MSC.436(99)) (Chapters II-1, IV and appendix)	1 January 2020
2019 amendments (MSC.456(101)) (Appendix - Certificates)	1 January 2024
2020 amendments MSC.474(102) (Chapter II-1)	1 January 2024
2021 amendments MSC.482(103) (Chapters II-1 and III)	1 January 2024
2022 amendments MSC.496(105) Chapters II-1, III, IV and V, and the appendix (Certificates)	1 January 2024
2022 amendments MSC.520(106) (Chapter II-2)	1 January 2026
2022 amendments MSC.521(106) (Addition of a new Chapter XV - Safety measures for ships carrying industrial personnel)	1 July 2024
2023 amendments MSC.532(107) (Chapters II-1, II-2, V and XIV and the appendix (Certificates))	1 January 2026
2024 amendments MSC.549(108) (Chapters II-1)	1 January 2026
2024 amendments MSC.550(108) (Chapters II-2 and V)	1 January 2026

**(1)(b) Codes and other instruments made mandatory under SOLAS:**

**International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code) (MSC.4(48))**

Effective as from:	1 July 1986
1987 amendments (MSC.10(54)) (lists of chemicals)	30 October 1988
1989 amendments (MSC.14(57)) (lists of chemicals)	13 October 1990
1990 amendments (MSC.16(58)) (harmonized system of survey and certification)	3 February 2000
1992 amendments (MSC.28(61)) (list of chemicals, cargo tank venting and Gas-freeing arrangements and other amendments)	1 July 1994

1996 amendments (MSC.50(66)) (lists of chemicals)	1 July 1998
1996 amendments (MSC.58(67)) (vague expressions)	1 July 1998
2000 (chapters 5, 8, 14, 15 and 16) amendments (MSC.102(73))	1 July 2002
2004 amendments (MSC.176(79))	1 January 2007
2006 amendments (MSC.219(82))	1 January 2009
2012 amendments (MSC.340(91))	1 June 2014
2014 amendments (MSC.369(93))	1 January 2016
2018 amendments (MSC.440(99))	1 January 2020
2019 amendments (MSC.460(101)) (Chapters 1, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 21)	1 January 2021
2022 amendments (MSC.526(106))	1 July 2024

**International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code) (MSC.5(48))**

Effective as from:	1 July 1986
1990 amendments (MSC.17(58)) (harmonized system of survey and certification)	3 February 2000
1992 amendments (MSC.30(61)) (cargo containment, fire protection, use of cargo as fuel, special requirements and summary of minimum requirements)	1 July 1994
1994 amendments (MSC.32(63)) (filling limits for cargo tanks)	1 July 1998
1996 amendments (MSC.59(67)) (reference to recognized standards, miscellaneous)	1 July 1998
2000 (chapters 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14 and 18) amendments (MSC.103(73))	1 July 2002
2004 (chapters 3 and 10) amendments (MSC.177(79))	1 July 2006
2006 amendments (MSC.220(82))	1 January 2009
2014 amendments (MSC.370(93))	1 January 2016
2016 amendments (MSC.411(97))	1 January 2020
2018 amendments (MSC.441(99))	1 January 2020
2020 amendments (MSC.476(102))	1 January 2024

2021 amendments (MSC.492(104))	1 January 2024
2022 amendments (Chapter 6) (MSC.523(106))	1 January 2026

**International Code for the Safe Carriage of Grain in Bulk (Grain Code) (MSC.23(59))**

Effective as from:	1 January 1994
2024 amendments (MSC.552(108))	1 January 2026

**International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft (1994 HSC Code) (MSC.36(63))**

Effective as from:	1 January 1996
2001 amendments (MSC.119(74))	1 January 2003
2004 amendments (MSC.174(79))	1 July 2006
2006 amendments (MSC.221(82))	1 July 2008
2008 amendments (MSC.259(84))	1 January 2010
2013 amendments (MSC. 351(92))	1 January 2015
2017 amendments (MSC.423(98))	1 January 2020
2018 amendments (MSC.438(99))	1 January 2020
2022 amendments (MSC.498(105))	1 January 2024
2023 amendments (MSC.536(107))	1 January 2026

**2000 International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft (2000 HSC Code) (MSC.97(73))**

Effective as from:	1 July 2002
2004 amendments (MSC.175(79))	1 July 2006
2006 amendments (MSC.222(82))	1 July 2008
2008 amendments (MSC.260(84))	1 January 2010
2008 amendments (MSC.271(85))	1 January 2011
2012 amendments (MSC.326(90))	1 January 2014
2013 amendments (MSC.352(92))	1 January 2015
2017 amendments (MSC.424(98))	1 January 2020



2018 amendments (MSC.439(99))	1 January 2020
2022 amendments (MSC.499(105))	1 January 2024
2023 amendments (MSC.537(107))	1 January 2026

**Sub-chapter 1.9 of the Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing (CSS Code) (resolution A.714(17))**

Effective as from: 1 July 1996

**Guidelines for the Authorization of Organizations Acting on Behalf of the Administration (resolution A.739(18))**

Effective as from: 1 July 1996

2006 amendments (MSC.208(81))  
(amendments to appendix 1) 1 July 2010

**Specifications on the survey and certification functions of recognized organizations acting on behalf of the Administration (resolution A.789(19))**

Effective as from: 1 July 1996

**Guidelines on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections During Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers (resolution A.744(18))**

Effective as from: 1 January 1996

1996 amendments (MSC.49(66))  
(new annex on guidelines for technical assessment  
in conjunction with planning of surveys) 1 July 1998

1997 amendments (Conference resolution 2)  
(new annex on requirements for extent of thickness  
measurement and associated amendments to the  
guidelines, new section on repairs relative to damages  
and wastage in holds) 1 July 1999

2000 amendments (MSC.105(73)) 1 July 2002

2002 amendments (MSC.125(75)) 1 January 2004

2003 amendments (MSC.144(77)) 1 January 2005

2005 amendments (MSC.197(80)) 1 January 2007

2008 amendments (MSC.261(84)) 1 January 2010

Note: To be mandatorily superseded by the International Code on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections during Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011 (**2011 ESP Code**) effective from 1 January 2014

**International Management Code for the Safe Operation of Ships and for Pollution Prevention (International Safety Management (ISM) Code) (A.741(18))**

Effective as from:	1 July 1998
2000 amendments (MSC.104(73))	1 July 2002
2004 amendments (MSC.179(79))	1 July 2006
2005 amendments (MSC.195(80))	1 January 2009
2008 amendments (MSC.273(85))	1 July 2010
2013 amendments (MSC. 353(92))	1 January 2015
2016 amendments (MSC.412(97))	1 July 2018
2019 amendments (MSC.461(101))	1 January 2021
2024 amendments (MSC....(108))	1 January 2026

**International Life-Saving Appliances (LSA) Code (MSC.48(66))**

Effective as from:	1 July 1998
2006 amendments (MSC.207(81))	1 July 2010
2006 amendments (MSC.218(82))	1 July 2008
2008 amendments (MSC.272(85))	1 July 2010
2010 amendments (MSC.293(87))	1 January 2012
2011 amendment (MSC.320(89))	1 January 2013
2014 amendments (MSC.368(93))	1 January 2016
2017 amendments (MSC.425(98))	1 January 2020
2019 amendments (MSC.459(101))	1 January 2024
2021 amendments (MSC.485(103))	1 January 2024
2023 amendments (MSC.535(107))	1 January 2026
2024 amendments (MSC.554(108))	1 January 2026

**International Code for Application of Fire Test Procedures (FTP Code) (MSC.61(67))**

Effective as from:	1 July 1998
2000 amendments (Annexes I and II) (MSC.101(73))	1 July 2002

2004 amendments (Annex I)  
(MSC.173(79)) 1 July 2006

**Note: Superseded by 2010 FTP Code (MSC.307(88))**

**International Code for Application of Fire Test Procedure, 2010 (2010 FTP Code)  
(MSC.307(88))**

Effective as from: 1 July 2012

2018 amendments (Annex 3)  
MSC.437(99)) 1 January 2020

**International Code for the Safe Carriage of Packaged Irradiated Nuclear Fuel,  
Plutonium and High-Level Radioactive Wastes on Board Ships (INF Code)  
(MSC.88(71))**

Effective as from: 1 January 2001

2001 amendments (MSC.118(74)) 1 January 2003

2002 amendments (MSC.135(76)) 1 July 2004

2004 amendments (MSC.178(79)) 1 July 2006

2007 amendments (MSC.241(83)) 1 July 2009

**Standards for the evaluation of scantlings of the transverse watertight vertically  
corrugated bulkhead between the two foremost cargo holds and for the evaluation  
of allowable hold loading of the foremost cargo hold (1997 Conference resolution 4)**

Effective as from 1 July 1999

**International Code for Fire Safety Systems (FSS Code) (MSC.98(73))**

Effective as from: 1 July 2002

2006 amendments (MSC.206(81)) 1 July 2010

2006 amendments (MSC.217(82)):

    chapters 4, 6, 7 and 9  
    (set out in Annex 1 to the resolution) 1 July 2008

    chapter 9 (set out in Annex 2 to the resolution) 1 July 2010

2010 amendments (MSC.292(87)) 1 July 2011

2010 amendments (MSC.311(88)) 1 July 2012

2012 amendments (MSC.327(90)) 1 January 2014

2012 amendments (MSC.339(91)) 1 July 2014

2014 amendments (MSC.367(93)) 1 January 2016

2016 amendments (MSC.403(96))	1 January 2020
2016 amendments (MSC.410(97))	1 January 2020
2019 amendments (MSC.457(101))	1 January 2024
2021 amendments (MSC.484(103))	1 January 2024
2024 amendments (MSC.555(108))	1 January 2026

**International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code (MSC.122(75))**

Effective as from:	1 January 2004
2004 amendments (MSC.157(78))	1 January 2006
2006 amendments (MSC.205(81))	1 January 2008
2008 amendments (MSC.262(84))	1 January 2010
2010 amendments MSC.294(87)	1 January 2012
2012 amendments MSC.328(90)	1 January 2014
2014 amendments MSC.372(93)	1 January 2016
2016 amendments (MSC.406(96))	1 January 2018
2018 amendments (MSC.442(99))	1 January 2020
2020 amendments (MSC.477(102))	1 June 2022
2022 amendments (MSC.501(105))	1 January 2024
2024 amendments (MSC.556(108))	1 January 2026

**International Code for the Security of Ships and of Port Facilities (ISPS Code)**

Effective as from:	1 July 2004
2005 amendments (MSC.196(80))	1 January 2009

**Technical provisions for means of access for inspections (MSC.133(76))**

Effective as from:	1 January 2005
2004 amendments (MSC.158(78))	1 January 2006

**Standards and criteria for side structures of bulk carriers of single-skin construction (MSC.168(79))**

Effective as from:	1 July 2006
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**Standards for owners' inspection and maintenance of bulk carrier hatch covers (MSC.169(79))**

Effective as from: 1 July 2006

**Performance standard for protective coatings for dedicated seawater ballast tanks in all types of ships and double-side skin spaces of bulk carriers (MSC.215(82))**

Effective as from: 1 July 2008

2012 amendments (MSC.341(91)) 1 July 2014

2024 amendments (MSC.557(108)) 1 January 2026

**International Code of the International Standards and Recommended Practices for a Safety Investigation into a Marine Casualty of Marine Incident (Casualty Investigation Code) (MSC.255(84))**

Effective as from: 1 January 2010

**International Code on Intact Stability, 2008 (2008 IS Code) (mandatory under SOLAS 1974 and the 1988 Load Lines Protocol) (MSC.267(85))**

Effective as from: 1 July 2010

2016 amendments under SOLAS 1974 (MSC.413(97)) 1 January 2020

2016 amendments under LL PROT 1988 (MSC.414(97)) 1 January 2020

2018 amendments under SOLAS 1974 (MSC.443(99)) 1 January 2020

2018 amendments under LL PROT 1988 (MSC.444(99)) 1 January 2020

**International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes (IMSBC) Code, (2008) (MSC.268(85))**

Effective as from: 1 January 2011

2011 amendments (MSC.318(89)) 1 January 2013

2013 amendments (MSC. 354(92)) 1 January 2015

2015 amendments (MSC.393(95)) 1 January 2015

2017 amendments (MSC.426(98)) 1 January 2019

2019 amendments (MSC.462(101)) 1 January 2021

2022 amendments (MSC.500(105)) 1 December 2023

2023 amendments (MSC.539(107)) 1 January 2025

**International Goal-based Ship Construction Standards for Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers (MSC.287(87))**

Effective as from: 1 January 2012

**Performance Standard for Protective Coatings for Cargo Oil Tanks of Crude Oil Tankers (MSC.288(87))**

Effective as from:	1 January 2012
2012 amendments (MSC.342(91))	1 July 2014
2024 amendments (MSC.558(108))	1 January 2026

**Performance Standard for Protective Coatings for Alternative Means of Corrosion Protection for Cargo Oil Tanks of Crude Oil Tankers (MSC.289(87))**

Effective as from:	1 January 2012
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**International Code on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections during Surveys of Bulk carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011 (2011 ESP Code) (A.1049(27))**

Effective as from	1 January 2014
2012 amendments (MSC.325(90)) chapters II-1, III, V, VI, VII and XI-1	1 January 2014
2014 amendments (MSC.371(93))	1 January 2016
2014 amendments (MSC.381(94))	1 July 2016
2016 amendments (MSC.405(96))	1 January 2018
2021 amendments (MSC.483(103))	1 January 2023
2022 amendments (MSC.525(106))	1 July 2024
2024 amendments (MSC.553(108))	1 January 2026

**Code on Noise Levels on Board Ships (NOISE Code) (MSC.337(91))**

Effective as from	1 July 2014
2012 amendments (MSC.338(91)) chapters II-1, II-2 and III and appendix (Noise Code (MSC.337(91)))	1 July 2014

**Code for Recognized Organizations (RO Code)<sup>1</sup> (MSC.349(92))**

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<sup>1</sup> Also adopted by The Marine Environment Protection Committee, at its 65th session, by resolution MEPC.237(65).

Effective as from: 1 January 2015

**Code for Ships Operating in Polar Waters (Polar Code)<sup>2</sup> (MSC.385(94))**

Effective as from: 1 January 2017

**International Code of Safety for Ships using Gases or other Low-flashing Point Fuels (IGF Code) (MSC.391(95))**

Effective as from: 1 January 2017

2017 amendments (MSC.422(98)) 1 January 2020

2019 amendments (MSC.458(101)) 1 January 2024

2020 amendments MSC.475(102) 1 January 2024

2022 amendments (part A-1) MSC.524(106) 1 January 2026

2024 amendments (part A-1) MSC.551(108) 1 January 2026

**Requirements for maintenance, thorough examination, operational testing, overhaul and repair of lifeboats and rescue boats, launching appliances and release gear (the Requirements) (MSC.402(96))**

Effective as from: 1 January 2020<sup>3</sup>

2024 amendments MSC.559(108) 1 July 2025

**International Code of Safety for Ships Carrying Industrial Personnel (IP Code) (MSC.527(106))**

Effective as from: 1 July 2024

**(1)(c) Special rules drawn up by agreement under SOLAS:**

Agreement concerning specific stability requirements for ro-ro passenger ships undertaking regular scheduled international voyages between or to or from designated ports in North West Europe and the Baltic Sea 1 April 1997

**(2) Protocol of 1978 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS PROT 1978)**

Entry into force: 1 May 1981

1981 amendments (MSC.2(XLV)) 1 September 1984  
chapter II-1 (steering gear)

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<sup>2</sup> The Maritime Safety Committee, at its 94th session adopted the safety-related provisions of the Introduction and the whole of parts I-A and I-B of the Polar Code, by resolution MSC.385(94). The Marine Environment Protection Committee, at its 68th session, adopted the environment-related provisions of the Introduction and the whole of parts II-A and II-B of the Polar Code, by resolution MEPC.264(68).

<sup>3</sup> Upon entry into force of the amendments to SOLAS 1974, adopted by resolution MSC.404(96)

1988 amendments (GMDSS) (Conference resolution) chapter I and appendix	1 February 1992
2012 amendments (appendix) (MSC.343(91))	1 July 2014
2015 amendments (MSC.394(95))	1 January 2017
2022 amendments (MSC.522(106)) (Appendix to the Annex)	1 January 2026
2023 amendments (MSC.533(107)) Appendix (Certificate)	1 January 2026

**(3) Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS PROT 1988)**

Entry into force:	3 February 2000
2000 amendments (MSC.92(72))	1 January 2002
2000 amendments (to the Annex) (MSC.100(73))	1 July 2002
2002 amendments (MSC.124(75))	1 January 2004
2004 amendments (MSC.154(78))	1 July 2006
2004 amendments (MSC.171(79))	1 July 2006
2006 amendments (to the Annex) (MSC.204(81))*	
2006 amendments (to the appendix to the Annex) (MSC.227(82))	1 July 2008
2007 amendments (to the appendix to the Annex) (MSC.240(83))	1 July 2009
2008 amendments (to the appendix to the Annex) (MSC.258(84))	1 January 2010
2009 amendments (to the appendix to the Annex) (MSC.283(86))	1 January 2011
2010 amendments (to the appendix to the Annex) MSC.309(88)	1 July 2012
2012 amendments (to the appendix to the Annex) (MSC.344(91))	1 July 2014
2015 amendments (MSC.395(95))	1 January 2017
2022 amendments (MSC.497(105))	1 January 2024

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\* These amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on the date on which they have been accepted by two thirds of the Parties to the Protocol and shall enter into force six months after that date.



2023 amendments (MSC.534(107))  
Appendix (Certificate) 1 January 2026

**(4) Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972, (COLREG 1972)**

Entry into force:	15 July 1977
1981 amendments (general) (A.464(XII))	1 June 1983
1987 amendments (general) (A.626(15))	19 November 1989
1989 amendments (general) (A.678(16))	19 April 1991
1993 amendments (general) (A.736(18))	4 November 1995
2001 amendments (general) (A.910(22))	29 November 2003
2007 amendments (general) (A.1004(25))	1 December 2009
2013 amendments (Part F) (A.1085(28)) (IMO Instruments Implementation III Code)	1 January 2016

**(5)(a) International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto (MARPOL)**

Entry into force:	2 October 1983
Annex I	2 October 1983
Annex II	6 April 1987
Annex III	1 July 1992
Annex IV	27 September 2003
Annex V	31 December 1988
1984 (Annex I) amendments (MEPC.14(20)) (extensive amendments to Annex I which had been agreed over the years)	7 January 1986
1985 (Annex II) amendments (MEPC.16(22)) (extensive amendments to Annex II in preparation for its implementation – pumping, piping, control, etc. (IBC and BCH Codes))	6 April 1987
1985 (Protocol I) amendments (MEPC.21(22)) (Reporting Protocol)	6 April 1987
1987 (Annex I) amendments (MEPC.29(25)) (designation of the Gulf of Aden as a special area)	1 April 1989
1989 (Annex II) amendments (MEPC.34(27)) (lists of chemicals)	13 October 1990

1989 (Annex V) amendments (MEPC.36(28)) (designation of the North Sea as a special area)	18 February 1991
1990 (Annexes I and II) amendments (MEPC.39(29)) (harmonized system of survey and certification)	3 February 2000
1990 (Annexes I and V) amendments (MEPC.42(30)) (designation of the Antarctic area as a special area)	17 March 1992
1991 (Annex I) amendments (MEPC.47(31)) (new regulation 26 (Shipboard Oil Pollution Emergency Plan) and other amendments)	4 April 1993
1991 (Annex V) amendments (MEPC.48(31)) (designation of the Wider Caribbean area as a special area)	4 April 1993
1992 (Annex I) amendments (MEPC.51(32)) (discharge criteria)	6 July 1993
1992 (Annex I) amendments (MEPC.52(32)) (oil tanker design)	6 July 1993
1992 (Annex II) amendments (MEPC.57(33)) (lists of chemicals and the designation of the Antarctic area as a special area)	1 July 1994
1992 (Annex III) amendments (MEPC.58(33)) (total revision of Annex III with the IMDG code as a vehicle for its implementation)	28 February 1994
1994 (Annexes I, II, III and V) amendments (Conference resolutions 1-3) (port State control on operational requirements)	3 March 1996
1995 (Annex V) amendments (MEPC.65(37)) (guidelines for garbage management plans)	1 July 1997
1996 (Protocol I) amendments (MEPC.68(38)) (Reporting Protocol)	1 January 1998
1997 (Annex I) amendments (MEPC.75(40)) (designation of North West European waters as a Special Area; new regulation 25A)	1 February 1999
1999 (Annexes I and II) amendments (MEPC.78(43)) (amendments to regulations 13G and 26 and IOPP Certificate of Annex I and addition of new regulation 16 to Annex II)	1 January 2001
2000 (Annex III) amendments (MEPC.84(44)) (deletion of clause relating to tainting of seafood)	1 July 2002

2000 (Annex V) amendments (MEPC.89(45)) (amendments to regulations 1, 3, 5 and 9 to the Record of Garbage Discharge)	1 March 2002
2001 amendments to the Condition Assessment Scheme (MEPC.94(46))	1 September 2002
2001 (Annex I) amendments (MEPC.95(46)) (amendments to regulation 13G of Annex I)	1 September 2002
2002 amendments to the Condition Assessment Scheme (MEPC.99(48))	1 March 2004
2003 amendments to the Annex (regulation 13G, addition of new regulation 13H and consequential amendments to the Supplement to the IOPP Certificate of Annex 1) (MEPC.111(50))	5 April 2005
2003 amendments to the Condition Assessment Scheme (MEPC.112(50))	5 April 2005
2004 (Annex IV) amendments (MEPC.115(51))	1 August 2005
2004 (Annex V) amendments (MEPC.116(51))	1 August 2005
2004 amendments to the Annex (revised Annex I) amendments (MEPC.117(52))	1 January 2007
2004 amendments to the Annex (revised Annex II) amendments (MEPC.118(52))	1 January 2007
2005 amendments to the Condition Assessment Scheme (MEPC.131(53))	1 January 2007
2006 amendments to the Annex (amendments to regulation 1, addition to regulation 12A, consequential amendments to the IOPP Certificate and amendments to regulation 21 of revised Annex I) (MEPC.141(54))	1 August 2007
2006 amendments to the Annex (addition of regulation 13) to Annex IV (MEPC.143(54))	1 August 2007
2006 amendments to the Annex (amendments to regulation 1 of Annex 1 – designation of the Southern African Waters as a Special Area) (MEPC.154(55))	1 March 2008
2006 amendments to the Condition Assessment Scheme (MEPC.155(55))	1 March 2008
2006 amendments to the Annex (revised Annex III) (MEPC.156(55))	1 January 2010
2007 (Annex I and Annex IV) amendments Reception facilities outside special areas	1 December 2008

Discharge of sewage (MEPC.164(56))	
2009 amendments (addition of a new chapter 8 to MARPOL Annex I and consequential amendments to the Supplement to the IOPP Certificate, Form B) (MEPC.186(59))	1 January 2011
2009 amendments (to regulations 1, 12, 13, 17 and 38 of MARPOL Annex I, Supplement to the IOPP Certificate and Oil Record Book, Parts I and II) (MEPC.187(59))	1 January 2011
2010 amendments (addition of a new chapter 9 to MARPOL Annex I) to the Annex (MEPC.189(60))	1 August 2011
2010 (Revised Annex III) amendments to the Annex (MEPC.193(61))	1 January 2014
2011 amendments (Special Area Provisions and the Designation of the Baltic Sea as a Special Area under MARPOL Annex IV) (MEPC.200(62))	1 January 2013
2011 amendments (Revised MARPOL Annex V) (MEPC.201(62))	1 January 2013
2012 amendments (Regional arrangements for port reception facilities under MARPOL Annexes I, II, IV and V) to the Annex of MARPOL 73/78 (MEPC.216(63))	1 August 2013
2013 amendments (Form A and Form B of Supplements to the IOPP Certificate under MARPOL Annex I) (MEPC.235(65))	1 October 2014
2013 amendments (condition assessment scheme under MARPOL Annex I) (MEPC.236(65))	1 October 2014
2013 amendments (Annexes I and II to make the RO Code mandatory) (MEPC.238 (65))	1 January 2015
2014 amendments (Annexes I, II, III, IV and V to make the use of the III Code mandatory) (MEPC.246(66))	1 January 2016
2014 amendments (Annex I - Mandatory carriage requirements for a stability instrument) (MEPC.248(66))	1 January 2016
2014 amendments (MARPOL Annex I, regulation 43) (MEPC.256(67))	1 March 2016
2014 amendments (Annex III, Appendix - criteria for the identification of harmful substances in packaged form) (MEPC.257(67))	1 March 2016
2015 amendments (Annexes I, II, IV and V to make use of environment-related provisions of the Polar Code mandatory) (MEPC.265(68))	1 January 2017
2015 amendments (Annex I - regulation 12) (MEPC.266(68))	1 January 2017

2016 amendments (Annex II - Appendix I) MEPC.270(69))	1 September 2017
2016 amendments (Annex IV – regulations 1 and 11) (MEPC.274(69)).	1 September 2017
2016 amendments (MARPOL Annex I – Appendix II) (MEPC.276(70))	1 March 2018
2016 amendments (MARPOL Annex V) (MEPC.277(70))	1 March 2018
2019 amendments (MARPOL Annexes I, II and V) (MEPC.314(74))	1 October 2020
2019 amendments (MARPOL Annex II) (MEPC.315(74))	1 January 2021
2021 amendments (MARPOL Annex I) (MEPC.329(76))	1 November 2022
2021 amendments (MARPOL Annexes I and IV) (MEPC.330(76))	1 November 2022
2022 amendments (MARPOL Annex I) (MEPC.343(78))	1 January 2024
2022 amendments (MARPOL Annex II) (MEPC.344(78))	1 November 2023
2022 amendments (MARPOL Annexes I, II, and IV) (MEPC.359(79))	1 May 2024
2022 amendments (MARPOL V) (MEPC.360(79))	1 May 2024
2024 amendments (Protocol I of MARPOL) (MEPC.384(81)) (Reporting procedures for the loss of containers)	1 January 2026

**(5)(b) Codes made mandatory under MARPOL 73/78:**

**International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code) (MEPC.19(22))**

Effective as from:	6 April 1987
1989 amendments (MEPC.32(27)) (lists of chemicals)	13 October 1990
1990 amendments (MEPC.40(29)) (harmonized system of survey and certification)	3 February 2000
1992 amendments (MEPC.55(33)) (lists of chemicals, cargo tank venting and gas-freeing arrangements and other amendments)	1 July 1994

1996 amendments (MEPC.69(38)) (lists of chemicals)	1 July 1998
1997 amendments (MEPC.73(39)) (vague expressions)	10 July 1998
1999 amendments (MEPC.79(43)) (cargo-tank venting and gas-freeing arrangements)	1 July 2002
2000 amendments (MEPC.90(45)) (cargo transfer, personnel protection, special and operational requirements)	1 July 2002
2004 amendments (MEPC.119(52))	1 January 2007
2007 amendments (MEPC.166(56))	1 January 2009
2012 amendments (MEPC.225(64))	1 June 2014
2014 amendments (MEPC.250(66))	1 January 2016
2018 amendments (MEPC.302(72)) (Model form of International Certificate of Fitness for the Carriage of Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk)	1 January 2020
2019 amendments (MEPC.318(74)) (Chapters 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 21)	1 January 2021
2022 amendments (MEPC.345(78)) (Watertight doors)	1 July 2024

**Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH Code) (MEPC.20(22))**

Effective as from:	6 April 1987
1989 amendments (MEPC.33(27)) (lists of chemicals)	13 October 1990
1990 amendments (MEPC.41(29)) (harmonized system of survey and certification)	3 February 2000
1992 amendments (MEPC.56(33)) (lists of chemicals and other amendments)	1 July 1994
1996 amendments (MEPC.70(38)) (lists of chemicals)	1 July 1998
1999 amendments (MEPC.80(43)) (cargo containment)	1 July 2002
2000 amendments (MEPC.91(45)) (cargo containment, safety equipment, special requirements, operational requirements)	1 July 2002

2006 amendments (MEPC.144(54))	1 August 2007
2014 amendments (MEPC.249(66)) (Cargo containment and Form of Certificate of Fitness)	1 January 2016
2018 amendments MEPC.303(72)) (Model form of Certificate of Fitness for the Carriage of Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk)	1 January 2020
2019 amendments (MEPC.319(74)) (Special, operational and minimum requirements)	1 January 2021

**Code for Recognized Organizations (RO CODE)<sup>4</sup> (MEPC.237(65))**

Effective as from: 1 January 2015

**Code for Ships Operating in Polar Waters (POLAR CODE)<sup>5</sup> (MEPC.264(68))**

Effective as from: 1 January 2017

2023 amendments (MSC.538(107)) 1 January 2026

**(6) Protocol of 1997 to amend the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto (MARPOL PROT 1997) (Annex VI on the prevention of air pollution from ships)**

Entry into force: 19 May 2005

2005 amendments to the Annex (amendments to  
MARPOL Annex VI and the NO<sub>x</sub> Technical Code)  
(MEPC.132(53)) 22 November 2006

2008 amendments to the Annex of the Protocol  
(revised MARPOL Annex VI) amendments  
(MEPC.176(58)) 1 July 2010

2008 amendments to the NO<sub>x</sub> Technical Code  
(MEPC.177(58)) 1 July 2010

2010 amendments (North American Emission Control Area)  
to the Annex (MEPC.190(60)) 1 August 2011

2010 amendments (Revised form of Supplement to the  
IAPP Certificate) (MEPC.194(61)) 1 February 2012

2011 amendments (Designation of the United States  
Caribbean Sea Emission Control Area and exemption of  
certain ships operating in the North American Emission  
Control Area) 1 January 2013

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<sup>4</sup> Also adopted by The Maritime Safety Committee, at its 92nd session, by resolution MSC.349(92).

<sup>5</sup> The Marine Environment Protection Committee, at its 68th session, adopted the environment-related provisions of the Introduction and the whole of parts II-A and II-B of the Polar Code, by resolution MEPC.264(68). The Maritime Safety Committee, at its 94th session adopted the safety-related provisions of the Introduction and the whole of parts I-A and I-B of the Polar Code, by resolution MSC.385(94).

Control Area and the United States Caribbean Sea Emission Control Area under regulations 13 and 14 and appendix VII of MARPOL Annex VI) (MEPC.202(62))	
2011 amendments (Inclusion of regulations on energy efficiency for ships in MARPOL Annex VI) (MEPC.203(62))	1 January 2013
2012 amendments (Regional arrangements for port reception facilities under MARPOL Annex VI and Certification of marine diesel engines fitted with Selective Catalytic Reduction systems under the NO <sub>x</sub> Technical Code 2008) to the Annex to MARPOL Annex VI (MEPC.217(63))	1 August 2013
2014 amendments (to make the use of the III Code mandatory) (MEPC.247(66))	1 January 2016
2014 amendments (to MARPOL Annex VI and to the NO <sub>x</sub> Technical Code 2008) (MEPC.251(66))	1 September 2015
2014 amendments (MARPOL Annex VI, regulations 2 and 13 and the Supplement to the IAPP certificate) (MEPC.258(67))	1 March 2016
2016 amendments (MARPOL Annex VI, regulations 13 (MEPC.271(69))	1 September 2017
2016 amendments to the NO <sub>x</sub> Technical Code (MEPC.272(69))	1 September 2017
2016 amendments (MARPOL Annex VI, Data collection system for fuel consumption) (MEPC.278(70))	1 March 2018
2017 amendments (MARPOL Annex VI, Designation of the Baltic Sea and the North Sea Emission Control Areas for NO <sub>x</sub> Tier III control) (Information to be included in the bunker delivery note) (MEPC.286(71))	1 January 2019
2018 amendments (MARPOL Annex VI, ECAs and required EEDI for ro-ro cargo ships and ro-ro passenger ships) (MEPC.301(72))	1 September 2019
2018 amendments (Prohibition on the carriage of non-compliant fuel oil for combustion purposes for propulsion or operation on board a ship) (MEPC.305(73))	1 March 2020
2019 amendments (Electronic Record Books and EEDI regulations for ice-strengthened ships) (MEPC.316(74))	1 October 2020
2019 amendments to the NO <sub>x</sub> Technical Code 2008 (Electronic Record Books and Certification requirements for SCR systems) (MEPC.317(74))	1 October 2020
2020 amendments (MARPOL Annex VI) (Procedures for sampling and verification of the sulphur content	1 April 2022



of fuel oil and the Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI))  
(MEPC.324(75))

2021 Revised MARPOL Annex VI [consolidated text]  
MEPC.328(76) 1 November 2022

2022 amendments (MARPOL Annex VI)  
(Mediterranean Sea Emission Control Area for  
Sulphur Oxides and Particulate Matter) (MEPC.361(79)) 1 May 2024

2022 amendments (MARPOL Annex VI)  
(Regional reception facilities within Arctic waters...)  
(MEPC.362(79)) 1 May 2024

2024 amendments (MARPOL Annex VI)  
(Low-flashpoint fuels and other fuel oil related issues, ...)  
(MEPC.385(81)) 1 August 2025

**(7) Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic, 1965 (FAL 1965)**

Entry into force: 5 March 1967

**(a) Amendment to the Convention:**

1973 amendment (amendment procedure) 2 June 1984

**(b) Amendments to the Annex:**

1969 amendments (cruise ships) 12 August 1971

1977 amendments  
(sick/injured/transit persons,  
scientific services/relief work) 31 July 1978

1986 amendments (ADP/EDI) 1 October 1986

1987 amendments (FAL.1(17))  
(upgrading of recommendations) 1 January 1989

1990 amendments (FAL.2(19))  
(drugs trafficking) 1 September 1991

1992 amendments (FAL.3(21))  
(restructuring of Annex, EDP/EDI,  
specialized equipment) 1 September 1993

1993 amendments (FAL.4(22))  
(general) 1 September 1994

1996 amendments (FAL.5(24))  
(general/pre-import information/ pre-arrival clearance) 1 May 1997

1999 amendments (FAL.6(27))  
(definitions and general provisions/arrival, stay,  
departure of ship/persons/clearance of cargo, 1 January 2001

passengers, crew and baggage/arrival, stay and departure of cargo/clearance of cargo)

2002 amendments (FAL.7(29)) (definitions and general provisions/arrival, stay, departure of ship/stowaways)	1 May 2003
2005 amendments (FAL.8(32)) (definitions and general provisions/arrival, stay, departure of ship/arrival, stay, departure of cargo)	1 November 2006
2009 amendments (FAL.10(35)) (arrival, stay and departure of the ship; arrival and departure of persons)	15 May 2010
2016 amendments (FAL.12(40)) (definitions and general provisions/ arrival, stay and departure of the ship)	1 January 2018
2022 amendments (FAL.14(46)) [contains the complete text of the annex to the Convention]	1 January 2024
2023 amendments (FAL.15(47)) (Section 7 – Miscellaneous provisions)	1 January 2025

**(8) International Convention on Load Lines, 1966 (LL 1966)**

Entry into force:	21 July 1968
1971 amendments (general) (A.231(VII))	not yet in force
1975 amendment (article 29) (A.319(IX))	not yet in force
1979 amendment (seasonal area) (A.411(XI))	not yet in force
1983 amendments (seasonal area) (A.513(13))	not yet in force
1995 amendment (seasonal area) (A.784(19))	not yet in force
2005 amendments (Annex III – certificates) (A.972(24))	3 February 2010
2013 amendments (A. 1082(28)) (Annex II – Southern Winter Seasonal Zone)	28 February 2018 <sup>6</sup>
2013 amendments (A. 1083(28)) (Annexes I and IV - IMO Instruments Implementation (III) Code)	28 February 2018 <sup>7</sup>

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<sup>6</sup> For the calculation of the date of entry into force under unanimous acceptance please refer to circular LL.12/Circ.1. Should the amendments enter into force under unanimous acceptance, the explicit acceptance becomes invalid.

<sup>7</sup> For the calculation of the date of entry into force under unanimous acceptance please refer to circular LL.12/Circ.2. Should the amendments enter into force under unanimous acceptance, the explicit acceptance becomes invalid.

**(9) Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966 (LL PROT 1988)**

Entry into force:	3 February 2000
2003 (Annex B) amendments (MSC.143(77))	1 January 2005
2004 (Annex B) amendments (MSC.172(79))	1 July 2006
2006 (Annex B) amendments (MSC.223(82))	1 July 2008
2008 (Annex B) amendments (MSC.270(85))	1 July 2010
2012 (Annex B) amendments (MSC.329(90))	1 January 2014
2012 (Annex B) amendments (MSC.345(91))	1 July 2014
2013 (Annex B) amendments (MSC.356(92))	1 January 2015
2014 (Annex B) amendments (MSC.375(93))	1 January 2016
2021 (Annex B) amendments (MSC.491(104))	1 January 2024

**(10) International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969 (TONNAGE 1969)**

Entry into force:	18 July 1982
2013 amendments (A.1084(28)) (Annexes I and III – IMO Instruments Implementation (III) Code)	28 February 2017 <sup>8</sup>

**(11) International Convention relating to Intervention on the High Seas in Cases of Oil Pollution Casualties, 1969 (INTERVENTION 1969)**

Entry into force:	6 May 1975
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**(12) Protocol relating to Intervention on the High Seas in Cases of Pollution by Substances other than Oil, 1973 (INTERVENTION PROT 1973)**

Entry into force:	30 March 1983
1991 amendments (list of substances) (MEPC.49(31))	24 July 1992
1996 amendments (list of substances) (MEPC.72(38))	19 December 1997
2002 amendments (lists of substances) (MEPC.100(48))	22 June 2004
2007 amendments (lists of substances) (MEPC.165(56))	23 November 2009

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<sup>8</sup> For the calculation of the date of entry force under unanimous acceptance please refer to circular TM.7/Circ.1. Should the amendments enter into force under unanimous acceptance, the explicit acceptance becomes invalid.

- (13) **International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage, 1969 (CLC 1969)**  
Entry into force: 19 June 1975
- (14) **Protocol to the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage, 1969 (CLC PROT 1976)**  
Entry into force: 8 April 1981
- (15) **Protocol of 1992 to amend the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage, 1969 (CLC PROT 1992)**  
Entry into force: 30 May 1996  
2000 amendments (LEG.1(82))  
(amendments of the limitation amounts) 1 November 2003
- (16) **Special Trade Passenger Ships Agreement, 1971 (STP 1971)**  
Entry into force: 2 January 1974
- (17) **Protocol on Space Requirements for Special Trade Passenger Ships, 1973 (SPACE STP 1973)**  
Entry into force: 2 June 1977
- (18) **Convention relating to Civil Liability in the Field of Maritime Carriage of Nuclear Material, 1971 (NUCLEAR 1971)**  
Entry into force: 15 July 1975
- (19) **International Convention on the Establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage, 1971 (FUND 1971)**  
Entry into force: 16 October 1978  
  
Ceased to be in force on 24 May 2002, in accordance with article 2 of the Protocol of 2000 to the International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage, 1971, when the number of Contracting States to the Convention fell to 24.
- (20) **Protocol to the International Convention on the Establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage, 1971 (FUND PROT 1976)<sup>9</sup>**  
Entry into force: 22 November 1994
- (21) **Protocol of 1992 to amend the International Convention on the Establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage, 1971 (FUND PROT 1992)**  
Entry into force: 30 May 1996

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<sup>9</sup> Consequent upon the cessation of the 1971 Fund Convention on 24 May 2002, this Protocol is considered having ceased with effect from the same date.

2000 amendments (LEG.2(82))  
(amendments of limits of compensation) 1 November 2003

**(22) Protocol of 2000 to the International Convention on the Establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage, 1971 (FUND PROT 2000)**

Entry into force: 27 June 2001

**(23) Protocol of 2003 to the International Convention on the Establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage, 1992 (FUND PROT 2003)**

Entry into force: 3 March 2005

**(24) International Convention for Safe Containers, 1972 (CSC 1972)**

Entry into force: 6 September 1977

**(a) Amendments to the Convention and Annexes:**

1993 amendments: (A.737(18))  
(S.I. units) not yet in force

**(b) Amendments to the Annexes:**

1981 amendments  
(transitional arrangements for plating) 1 December 1981

1983 amendments (MSC.3(48))  
(re-examination intervals) 1 January 1984

1991 amendments (MSC.20(59))  
(modified containers/tank containers) 1 January 1993

2010 amendments (MSC.310(88))  
(regulations for the testing, inspection, approval  
and maintenance of containers) 1 January 2012

2013 amendments (MSC. 355(92))  
(Annexes I, II and III)) 1 July 2014

**(25) Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974 (PAL 1974)**

Entry into force: 28 April 1987

**(26) Protocol to the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974 (PAL PROT 1976)**

Entry into force: 30 April 1989

**(27) Protocol of 1990 to amend the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974 (PAL PROT 1990)**

Not yet in force

- (28)** Protocol of 2002 to the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974 (PAL PROT 2002)

Entry into force 23 April 2014

- (29) Convention on the International Mobile Satellite Organization (IMSO C 1976)**

Entry into force: 16 July 1979

1985 amendments  
(aeronautical-satellite communications) 13 October 1989

1989 amendments  
(land mobile-satellite communications) 26 June 1997

1994 amendments (superseded by the 1998 amendments)  
(change of title, Council composition) not yet in force

1998 amendments  
(restructuring of the Organization) 31 July 2001

2006 amendments  
(oversight of all GMDSS providers and LRIT Coordinator) superseded<sup>10</sup>

2008 amendments  
(these amendments extend IMSO's oversight to all GMDSS providers recognized by IMO and enhance IMSO's role as LRIT Coordinator) not yet in force<sup>11</sup>

- (30) Operating Agreement on the International Maritime Satellite Organization (INMARSAT) (INMARSAT OA)**

The Operating Agreement is no longer in force, following the entry into force of the 1998 amendments to the Convention on 31 July 2001

Entry into force: 16 July 1979

1985 amendments  
(aeronautical-satellite communications) 13 October 1989

1989 amendments  
(land mobile-satellite communications) 26 June 1997

1994 amendments  
(change of title, Council composition) not yet in force

1998 amendments 31 July 2001

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<sup>10</sup> Following the adoption by IMSO, at its twentieth session, of the 2008 amendments to the IMSO Convention, on 6 October 2008, the IMSO Assembly decided to terminate, with effect from the same date, the decision to adopt the 2006 amendments, taken at its eighteenth session, as well as the decision, taken at its nineteenth (extraordinary) session, to apply them provisionally, with effect from 7 March 2007.

<sup>11</sup> The IMSO Assembly decided that these amendments be provisionally applied with effect from 6 October 2008.

(restructuring of the Organization)

**(31) Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims, 1976 (LLMC 1976)**

Entry into force: 1 December 1986

**(32) Protocol of 1996 to amend the Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims, 1976 (LLMC PROT 1996)**

Entry into force: 13 May 2004

2012 amendments (to the limitation amounts set out in article 3 of the Protocol) (LEG.5(99)) 8 June 2015

**(33) Torremolinos Protocol of 1993 relating to the Torremolinos International Convention for the Safety of Fishing Vessels, 1977 (SFV PROT 1993)**

Not yet in force<sup>12</sup>

**(34) Cape Town Agreement of 2012 on the Implementation of the Provisions of the 1993 Protocol relating to the Torremolinos International Convention for the Safety of Fishing Vessels, 1977 (Cape Town Agreement 2012)**

Not yet in force

**(35) (a) International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978 (STCW 1978)**

Entry into force: 28 April 1984

1991 amendments (GMDSS and trials) (MSC.21(59)) 1 December 1992

1994 amendments (MSC.33(63)) 1 January 1996  
(special training requirements for personnel on tankers)

1995 amendments (Conference resolution 1) 1 February 1997  
(revised Annex to Convention (STCW Code))

1997 amendments (MSC.66(68)) 1 January 1999  
(training and qualification requirements for personnel on passenger ships)

2006 amendments (MSC.203(81)) 1 January 2008

2010 Manila amendments to the STCW Convention and Code (adopted by a Conference of Contracting Parties to the STCW 78 Convention) 1 January 2012

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<sup>12</sup> The Torremolinos Protocol is effectively replaced and superseded by the 2012 Cape Town Agreement which updates and amends a number of provisions of the Protocol, to facilitate their entry into force. States should therefore not ratify or otherwise express their consent to be bound by the Protocol and should instead become Parties to the Agreement; States which have already expressed their consent to be bound by the Protocol should take appropriate steps to signify their consent to be bound by the Agreement using one of the options available under article 3 of the Agreement.

2014 amendments (MSC.373(93))	1 January 2016
2015 amendments (MSC.396(95))	1 January 2017
2016 amendments (MSC.416(97))	1 July 2018
2021 amendments (MSC.486(103))	1 January 2023
2023 amendments (MSC.540(107))	1 January 2025

**(35)(b) Code adopted by STCW Conference:**

**Seafarers' Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW) Code  
(Conference resolution 2)**

Part A – (Mandatory standards) effective as from: 1997 amendments (MSC.67(68)) (training and qualification requirements for personnel on passenger ships)	1 February 1997 1 January 1999
1998 amendments (MSC.78(70)) (cargo handling and stowage at the operational and management level)	1 January 2003
2004 amendments (MSC.156(78))	1 July 2006
2004 amendments (MSC.180(79))	1 July 2006
2006 amendments (MSC.209(81))	1 January 2008
2014 amendments (MSC.374(93))	1 January 2016
2015 amendments (MSC.397(95))	1 January 2017
2016 amendments (MSC.417(97))	1 July 2018
2021 amendments (MSC.487(103))	1 January 2023
2023 amendments (MSC.541(107))	1 January 2025
2024 amendments (MSC.560(108))	1 January 2026

**(36) International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping  
for Fishing Vessel Personnel, 1995 (STCW-F)**

Entry into force:	29 September 2012
2024 Amendments (MSC.561(108)) (Revised annex to the 1995 STCW-F Convention)	1 January 2026

**(37) International Convention on Maritime Search and Rescue, 1979 (SAR 1979)**

Entry into force:	22 June 1985
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- 1998 amendments (MSC.70(69))  
(revised Annex) 1 January 2000
- 2004 amendments (MSC.155(78)) 1 July 2006
- (38) Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation (SUA 1988)**
- Entry into force: 1 March 1992
- (39) Protocol of 2005 to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation (SUA 2005)**
- 28 July 2010
- (40) Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Fixed Platforms located on the Continental Shelf (SUA PROT 1988)**
- Entry into force: 1 March 1992
- (41) Protocol of 2005 to the Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Fixed Platforms Located on the Continental Shelf (SUA PROT 2005)**
- Entry into force 28 July 2010
- (42) International Convention on Salvage, 1989 (SALVAGE 1989)**
- Entry into force: 14 July 1996
- (43) International Convention on Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Co-operation, 1990 (OPRC 1990)**
- Entry into force: 13 May 1995
- (44) 2000 Protocol on Preparedness, Response and Co-operation to Pollution Incidents by Hazardous and Noxious Substances (OPRC/HNS PROT 2000)**
- Entry into force 14 June 2007
- (45) International Convention on Liability and Compensation for Damage in connection with the Carriage of Hazardous and Noxious Substances by Sea, 1996 (HNS 1996)**
- Not yet in force<sup>13</sup>
- (46) Protocol of 2010 to the International Convention on Liability and Compensation for Damage in Connection with the Carriage of Hazardous and Noxious Substances by Sea, 1996 (HNS PROT 2010)**
- Not yet in force

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<sup>13</sup> In order to eliminate certain obstacles to the ratification of the 1996 HNS Convention, a number of provisions of the Convention have been amended by the 2010 HNS Protocol. The Convention, as amended by its Protocol will, once the Protocol enters into force, constitute the 2010 HNS Convention. In order to avoid a situation in which two conflicting regimes would become operational, States that decide to become Parties to the 2010 HNS Protocol must ensure that they deposit instruments only in respect of the Protocol, without any references to the 1996 HNS Convention (see resolution 3 of the International Conference of 2010 on the Revision of the HNS Convention).

**(47) Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter, 1972 (LC 1972)**

Entry into force: 30 August 1975

**(a) Amendments to the Convention:**

1978 amendments: (LDC.6(III)) not yet in force  
(concerning procedures for the settlement of disputes)

**(b) Amendments to the Annexes:**

1978 amendments (LDC.5(III)) 11 March 1979  
(concerning the control of incineration of wastes and other matter at sea)

1980 amendments (LDC.12(V)) 11 March 1981  
(concerning the prohibition of dumping at sea of crude oil and oily substances and mixtures)

1989 amendments (LDC.37(12)) 19 May 1990  
(concerning characteristics and composition of matter to be dumped at sea)

1993 amendments (LC.49(16)) 20 February 1994  
(concerning phasing out sea disposal of industrial waste)

1993 amendments (LC.50(16)) 20 February 1994  
(concerning incineration at sea)

1993 amendments (LC.51(16)) 20 February 1994  
(concerning disposal at sea of radioactive wastes and other radioactive matter)

**(48) 1996 Protocol to the Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter, 1972 (LC PROT 1996)**

Entry into force: 24 March 2006

2006 amendments (LP1.(1)) 10 February 2007  
(concerning sequestration of carbon dioxide streams from carbon dioxide capture processes in sub-seabed geological formations)

2009 amendments to Article 6: (LP.3(4)) not yet in force  
(enabling - exclusively - the export of carbon dioxide streams for the purpose of sequestration in

transboundary sub-seabed geological formations)

2013 amendments (LP.4(8)) not yet in force  
(concerning the regulation of the placement of matter for  
ocean fertilization and other marine geoengineering activities)

2022 amendments (LP.6(17)) 15 January 2023  
(amendments to Annexes 1 and 2 to remove sewage sludge  
from the list of permissible wastes)

**(49) International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-Fouling Substances on Ships, 2001 (AFS 2001)**

Entry into force 17 September 2008

2021 amendments (MEPC.331(76) (Annexes 1 and 4) 1 January 2023  
(Controls on cybutryne and form of  
the International Anti-fouling System Certificate)

**(50) International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001 (BUNKERS 2001)**

Entry into force 21 November 2008

**(51) International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004 (BWM 2004)**

Entry into force 8 September 2017

2018 amendments (MEPC.296(72)) 13 October 2019  
(regulations A-1 and D-3 – Code for Approval of  
Ballast Water Management Systems (BWMS Code))

2018 amendments (MEPC.297(72)) 13 October 2019  
(regulation B-3 – Implementation schedule of  
ballast water management for ships)

2018 amendments (MEPC.299(72)) 13 October 2019  
(regulations E-1 and E-5 – Endorsements of additional  
surveys on the International Ballast Water Management  
Certificate)

2020 amendments MEPC.325(75) 1 June 2022  
(regulations E-1 and Appendix I – Commissioning testing  
of ballast water management systems and form of the  
International Ballast Water Management Certificate)

2023 amendments MEPC.369(80) 1 February 2025  
(Amendments to Appendix II – Form of Ballast Water Record Book)

2024 amendments MEPC.383(81) 1 October 2025  
Amendments to regulations A-1 and B-2 (Use of electronic record books)

**Code for Approval of Ballast Water Management Systems (BWMS Code) (MEPC.300(72))**

Effective as from: 13 October 2019<sup>14</sup>

**(52) Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007 (Nairobi WRC 2007)**

Entry into force 14 April 2015

**(53) Hong Kong International Convention for the Safe and Environmentally Sound Recycling of Ships, 2009 (HONG KONG CONVENTION)**

Entry into force Not yet in force

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<sup>14</sup> Upon the entry into force of the associated amendments to the BWM Convention, adopted by resolution (MEPC.296(72))