



香港商船資訊

HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Guidance on best management practices for removal of anti-fouling coatings from ships, including TBT hull paints

To : Shipowners, Ship Managers, Operators, Masters and Officers

Summary

This Note advises that IMO has approved the “Guidance on best management practices for removal of anti-fouling coatings from ships, including TBT hull paints” to provide information on anti-fouling system removal techniques.

1. On 22 July 2009, the IMO issued Circular AFS.3/Circ.3, the “Guidance on best management practices for removal of anti-fouling coatings from ships, including TBT hull paints” to provide information on methods of AFS removal techniques.
2. As the circular AFS.3/Circ.3 is a bulky document, it is not issued as annex to this Note. However, the document is available as attachment to this Note on the webpage of Marine Department (<http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html>).
3. All parties concerned are advised to note the methods of AFS removal techniques and act accordingly.

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