



# 香港商船資訊

## HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

### **Code and Amendments to the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004**

*To : Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Masters and Classification Societies*

#### ***Summary***

The purpose of this Note is to inform the parties concerned on the code and amendments adopted by the 72nd Session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 72) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) to the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004 (BWM Convention).

1. On 13 April 2018, the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) at its 72nd Session adopted the Code for Approval of Ballast Management Systems (BWMS Code) and amendments to the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004 (BWM Convention).
2. The adopted resolutions are exhibited as follows:
  - (a) Resolution MEPC.296(72) – Amendments to Regulations A-1 and D-3 of the BWM Convention;
  - (b) Resolution MEPC.297(72) – Amendments to Regulation B-3 of the BWM Convention;
  - (c) Resolution MEPC.298(72) – Determination of the Survey referred to in Regulation B-3, as amended, of the BWM Convention;
  - (d) Resolution MEPC.299(72) – Amendments to Regulations E-1 and E-5 of the BWM Convention;
  - (e) Resolution MEPC.300(72) – Code for Approval of Ballast Management Systems.

3. Copies of the aforementioned resolutions can be found on the website of Marine Department (<https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html>) as attachments to this Note.
4. Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Masters and Classification Societies are advised to note the amendments and information provided in the documents and act accordingly.
5. Any enquiries in relation to this Merchant Shipping Information Note may be directed to the Senior Surveyor of the Maritime Policy Branch at telephone number 2852 4395 or by e-mail to “[hkmpd@mardep.gov.hk](mailto:hkmpd@mardep.gov.hk)”.

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