



## 香港商船資訊

## HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

**Amendments to MARPOL Annex VI (ECAs and required EEDI for RO-RO Cargo Ships and RO-RO Passenger Ships)**

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

***Summary***

The purpose of this Note is to advise the parties concerned on the amendments adopted by the 72nd Session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 72) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) to MARPOL Annex VI concerning Emission Control Areas (ECAs) and the required Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI) for ro-ro cargo ships and ro-ro passenger ships. The amendments to MARPOL Annex VI are expected to enter into force on 1 September 2019.

1. On 13 April 2018, IMO adopted resolution MEPC.301(72) to amend the ECAs and the required EEDI for ro-ro cargo ships and ro-ro passenger ships at the MEPC 72. The amendments to MARPOL Annex VI are expected to enter into force on 1 September 2019.
2. The resolution MEPC.301(72) concerned the editorial amendments to regulation 13 of MARPOL Annex VI and the new parameters for determination of reference values of the EEDI to ships with regard to the aforementioned amendments to regulation 21 of MARPOL Annex VI.
3. A copy of the aforementioned resolution can be found on the website of Marine Department (<https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html>) as attachment to this Note.
4. Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Masters and Classification Societies are advised to note the amendments provided in the document 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”.

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