



## 香港商船資訊

HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

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**Interim Guidelines for the Safety of Ships using Fuel Cell Power Installations**

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

***Summary***

The purpose of this Note is to advise the parties concerned of the Interim Guidelines for the Safety of Ships using Fuel Cell Power Installations.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), at its 105<sup>th</sup> session in April 2022, approved the circular MSC.1/Circ.1647 with a view to providing international standard provisions for ships using fuel cell power installations.
2. The goal of these Interim Guidelines is to provide criteria for the arrangement and installation of fuel cell power installations with at least the same level of safety and reliability as new and comparable conventional oil-fuelled main and auxiliary machinery installations, regardless of the specific fuel cell type and fuel.
3. The circular MSC.1/Circ.1647 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, ship masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to note the interim guidelines and act accordingly.

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