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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

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**Guidelines for Lifting Appliances**

*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 Guidelines for Lifting Appliances.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), at its 107<sup>th</sup> session in June 2023, approved the circular MSC.1/Circ.1663 with a view to providing “Guidelines for Lifting Appliances”.
2. These Guidelines support the application of a new SOLAS regulation II-1/3-13 for lifting appliances and loose gear used in association with lifting appliances, on all ships (both new and existing), from the expected entry into force date of 1 January 2026.
3. The circular MSC.1/Circ.1663 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 Guidelines and act accordingly.

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