Adoption of Amendments to Performance Standards for Survival Craft Radar Transponders for Use in Search and Rescue Operations (Resolution A.802(19))

To: Shipowners, Ship Operators, Masters and Classification Societies

Summary

This Note promulgates IMO Resolution MSC.247(83) which provides amendments to performance standards for survival craft radar transponders for use in search and rescue operations (Resolution A.802(19)).

1. The Maritime Safety Committee, at its 83rd session on 8 October 2007 adopted the Resolution MSC.247(83) to amend the performance standards for survival craft radar transponders for use in search and rescue operations (Resolution A.802(19)) for compliance with SOLAS regulation III/6.2.2.

2. Both the resolutions MSC.247(83) and A.802(19) are attached for ready reference.

3. Shipowners, ship operators, masters and classification societies are advised that SAR transponders (SARTs) used in search and rescue operations installed on or after 1 January 2010 should conform to the performance standards not inferior to that specified in Resolution A.802(19) as amended by Resolution MSC.247(83).

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