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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate IMO resolution MSC.311(88) on the amendments to the International Code for Fire Safety Systems (FSS Code). The amendments will enter into force on 1 July 2012.

1. At its 88th session in December 2010, the Maritime Safety Committee of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) adopted resolution MSC.311(88) to amend the FSS Code.

2. The amendments, which will enter into force on 1 July 2012, modify the requirements of the Fixed Fire Detection and Fire Alarm Systems under chapter 9 of the FSS Code.

3. The details of these amendments can be found as annex to this Note for ready reference. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to note the amendments and act accordingly.

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