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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Unified Interpretation of the FTP Code

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the unified interpretation of Part 3 of the FTP Code.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) at its 90th session in May 2012, approved a circular MSC.1/Circ.1435 on unified interpretation of the FTP Code. The unified interpretation should be used as guidance when applying the relevant provisions of Part 3 of the FTP Code for ships constructed on or after 1 June 2012.
2. The details of the unified interpretation can be found as attachment to this Note on the website of Marine Department (<http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html>).
3. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to note the unified interpretations and act accordingly.

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