Guidelines on the Configuration of the Reserve Source or Source of Energy used to Supply Radio Installations on GMDSS Ships

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the Guidelines on the Configuration of the Reserve Source or Source of Energy used to Supply Radio Installations on GMDSS Ships. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Notice No. 20/1998.

1. The Sub-Committee on Radiocommunications and Search and Rescue (COMSAR) of the IMO, at its 3rd session in February 1998, prepared the “Guidelines on the configuration of the reserve source or source of energy used to supply radio installations on GMDSS Ships” as annexed to IMO circular COMSAR/Circ.16. The purpose of the guidelines is to provide guidance on the configuration of reserve sources of energy for GMDSS radio installations.

2. The circular COMSAR/Circ.16 can be found on the webpage of Marine Department (http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html) as an attachment to this Note.

3. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters and classification societies are requested to ensure compliance with the Guidelines in respect of radio installations on board Hong Kong registered ships.

4. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Notice No. 20/1998.

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