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## HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

### **Guidelines for Alerting of Search and Rescue Authorities**

*To : Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators and Ship Masters*

#### *Summary*

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the Guidelines for Alerting of Search and Rescue Authorities. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Notice No. 6/1999.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee of the IMO, at its 70<sup>th</sup> session in December 1998, approved the “Guidelines for alerting of search and rescue authorities” as annexed to IMO circular MSC/Circ.892. The purpose of the guidelines is to ensure early notification of SAR authorities when involved in emergency situations.
2. The circular MSC/Circ.892 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 and ship masters are requested to note the guidelines and act accordingly.
4. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Notice No. 6/1999.

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