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**IMO circular and Hong Kong requirements on certificates, documents and publications that are required or recommended to be carried on board Hong Kong ships engaged in international voyage.**

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

***Summary***

This Note provides lists of certificates, documents and publications that are required or recommended to be carried on board Hong Kong ships engaged in international voyage. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 49/2011.

1. As approved by the Facilitation Committee at its 38th session in 2013, the Maritime Safety Committee at its 92nd session in 2013 and the Marine Environment Protection Committee at its 65th session in 2013, the International Maritime Organization (IMO) issued a circular dated 1 July 2013 providing a list of certificates and documents that are required to be carried on board ships. The circular is attached as Annex I to this Note for reference.
2. In addition to Annex I, Hong Kong ships engaged in international voyage are required or recommended also to carry certificates, documents and publications as detailed in Annex II to this Note.
3. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters and officers, classification societies and shipbuilders are required to take note of the information annexed and act accordingly.
4. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 49/2011.

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