



香港商船資訊

HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Unified Interpretation of SOLAS Chapter II-1/26.3

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 SOLAS Chapter II-1/26.3 regarding the arrangement of fuel pumps to provide sufficient capacity for normal operation of propulsion machinery.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), at its 92nd session in June 2013, approved the unified interpretation of SOLAS Chapter II-1/26.3, regarding the arrangement of fuel pumps to provide sufficient capacity for normal operation of propulsion machinery even if one pump becomes inoperable, while using marine fuels with a sulphur content not exceeding 0.1 per cent/m/m and minimum viscosity of 2 cSt as required in Emission Control Areas from 1 January 2015.
2. The details of this unified interpretation as annexed to IMO circular MSC.1/Circ.1467 can be found in the 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 use this unified interpretation when applying the requirements of SOLAS regulation II-1/26.3.

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