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## 香港商船資訊

## HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Amendments to the International Code on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections during Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011 (2011 ESP Code)

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

## **Summary**

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate IMO resolution MSC.381(94) to advise the parties concerned of the amendments to the International Code on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections during Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011 (2011 ESP Code) which will enter into force on 1 July 2016.

- 1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) adopted the resolution MSC.381(94) on 21 November 2014 to amend the International Code on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections during Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011 (2011 ESP Code). The amendments will enter into force on 1 July 2016.
- 2. The amendments to 2011 ESP Code aim to update the Ship Construction File throughout the ship's life and introduce hydraulic arm vehicles in the survey. The amendments will apply to oil tankers and bulk carriers of 500 gross tonnage and above from the first survey after 1 July 2016.
- 3. The resolution MSC.381(94) can be found as attachment to this Note on the website of Marine Department (http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html).
- 4. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, masters and classification societies of Hong Kong registered ships are reminded to take note of these amendments and act accordingly.

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