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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Guidance on the Application of SOLAS Regulation II-1/3-12 to Ships Delivered Before 1 July 2018

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate guidance on the application of SOLAS regulation II-1/3-12 concerning protection against noise, as stated in resolution MSC.338(91), to ships for which the building contract is placed before 1 July 2014, the keels of which are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 1 January 2015 and delivered before 1 July 2018, following the approval of the draft amendments to the aforementioned regulation by MSC 96 and until the amendments enter into force.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) at its 96th session in May 2016, approved the draft amendments to SOLAS regulation II-1/3-12 with a view to providing clarification on the application thereof.
2. IMO issued a circular MSC.1/Circ.1547 on 9 June 2016 serving to promulgate guidance on the application of SOLAS regulation II-1/3-12 concerning protection against noise, as stated in resolution MSC.338(91), to ships for which the building contract is placed before 1 July 2014, the keels of which are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 1 January 2015 and delivered before 1 July 2018, following the approval and until the amendments enter into force of the aforementioned regulation.
3. The details of the guidance 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, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to note the guidance and act accordingly when applying the relevant provisions of SOLAS regulation II-1/3-12.

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