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## HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

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### **Halon Banking and Reception Facilities**

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

#### *Summary*

The purpose of this Note is to disseminate updated information on the availability of halon banking and reception facilities at various ports around the world.

1. Following the adoption of the 1992 and 2000 amendments to the 1974 SOLAS Convention by virtue of resolutions MSC. 27(61) and MSC. 99(73), new installations of fire-extinguishing systems using halons were prohibited. Nonetheless, existing halons fire-extinguishing systems need not be withdrawn.
2. As existing halon systems may need to be recharged with recycled halons to comply with the relevant requirements of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, updated information on the availability of halon banking and reception facilities at various ports of the world is provided in the IMO circular SSE.1/Circ.2/Rev.1 on 23 March 2018. This circular can be found on the website of Marine Department (<http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html>) as annex to this Note.
3. The Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 51/2014 issued on 22 December 2014 is hereby superseded.
4. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are advised to note the above information.

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