



香 港 商 船 資 訊

HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Unified Interpretations of SOLAS Chapter II-2

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the Unified Interpretations of Chapter II-2 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 ("SOLAS").

1. The Maritime Safety Committee ("MSC") of the International Maritime Organization ("IMO"), at its 106th session in November 2022, approved the circular MSC.1/Circ.1655 providing more specific guidance on SOLAS regulation II-2/9. The unified interpretations of regulation II-2/9.7.3.1.2 and II-2/9.7.3.2 are related to the containment of fire, details of fire dampers and duct penetrations.
2. The details of the unified interpretations can be found on the website of Marine Department (<https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html>) as attachment to this Note.
3. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to note the unified interpretations and act accordingly.

Marine Department
Multi-lateral Policy Division

25 April 2023