ANNEX 1

RESOLUTION MSC.572(110)
(adopted on 26 June 2025)

AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTERS II-2 AND V OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

RECALLING ALSO article VIII(b) of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 ("the Convention"), concerning the amendment procedure applicable to the annex to the Convention, other than to the provisions of chapter I,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its 110th session, amendments to the Convention proposed and circulated in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the Convention,

1 ADOPTS, in accordance with article VIII(b)(iv) of the Convention, amendments to the Convention, the text of which is set out in the annex to the present resolution;

2 DETERMINES, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vi)(2)(bb) of the Convention, that the said amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2027, unless, prior to that date, more than one third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant fleet have notified the Secretary-General of their objections to the amendments;

3 INVITES Contracting Governments to the Convention to note that, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vii)(2) of the Convention, the amendments shall enter into force on 1 January 2028 upon their acceptance in accordance with paragraph 2 above;

4 REQUESTS the Secretary-General, for the purposes of article VIII(b)(v) of the Convention, to transmit certified copies of the present resolution and the text of the amendments contained in the annex to all Contracting Governments to the Convention;

5 ALSO REQUESTS the Secretary-General to transmit copies of this resolution and its annex to Members of the Organization which are not Contracting Governments to the Convention.

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CHAPTER II-2
CONSTRUCTION – FIRE PROTECTION, FIRE DETECTION AND FIRE EXTINCTION

Part C
Suppression of fire

Regulation 11
Structural integrity

2 Material of hull, superstructures, structural bulkheads, decks and deckhouses

1 Section 2 is replaced by the following:

"**2 Material of hull, superstructures, structural bulkheads, decks and deckhouses**

The hull, superstructures, structural bulkheads, decks and deckhouses shall be constructed of steel or other equivalent material. For the purpose of applying the definition of steel or other equivalent material as given in regulation 3.43, the "applicable fire exposure" shall be according to the integrity and insulation standards given in tables 9.1 to 9.8. For example, where divisions such as decks or sides and ends of deckhouses are permitted to have "B-0" fire integrity, the "applicable fire exposure" shall be half an hour."

4 Machinery spaces of category A

4.1 Crowns and casings

2 Paragraph 4.1 is replaced by the following:

"**4.1 Crowns and casings**

Crowns and casings of machinery spaces of category A shall be of steel construction and shall be insulated as required by tables 9.1 and 9.3 for passenger ships or tables 9.5 and 9.7 for cargo ships, as appropriate."

CHAPTER V
SAFETY OF NAVIGATION

Regulation 23
Pilot transfer arrangements

3 Regulation 23 is replaced by the following, together with the associated footnote:

"Regulation 23 – Pilot transfer arrangements

1 Ships on which pilots may be employed shall be provided with pilot transfer arrangements.

2 Pilot transfer arrangements shall enable pilots and other personnel to embark and disembark safely in all seagoing conditions of draught and trim.

3 Pilot transfer arrangements provided in accordance with paragraph 1 and installed on or after 1 January 2028 shall be designed, manufactured, constructed, secured and installed in accordance with the introduction and parts A, B and C of the performance standards adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee by resolution MSC.576(110), as may be amended by the Organization, provided that such amendments are adopted, brought into force and take effect in accordance with the provisions of article VIII of the present Convention concerning the amendment procedures applicable to the annex other than chapter I.

4 Pilot transfer arrangements installed before 1 January 2028 on ships to which chapter I applies shall comply with the requirements provided in paragraph 3 not later than the first survey* on or after 1 January 2029.

5 Pilot transfer arrangements installed before 1 January 2028 on ships to which chapter I does not apply shall comply with the requirements provided in paragraph 3 not later than 1 January 2030.

6 Inspection, stowage, maintenance, replacement and familiarization of all pilot transfer arrangements, regardless of the installation date, shall comply with the introduction and parts D and E of the performance standards adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee by resolution MSC.576(110), as may be amended by the Organization, provided that such amendments are adopted, brought into force and take effect in accordance with the provisions of article VIII of the present Convention concerning the amendment procedures applicable to the annex other than chapter I.

7 For the purpose of the present regulation, the expression "installed on or after 1 January 2028" means a contractual delivery date for the pilot transfer arrangement or, in the absence of a contractual delivery date, the actual delivery date of the arrangement to the ship on or after 1 January 2028.

8 Pilot transfer arrangements provided for in paragraph 3 shall be approved by the Administration in accordance with part F of the performance standards adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee by resolution MSC.576(110), as may be amended by the Organization, provided that such amendments are adopted, brought into force and take effect in accordance with the provisions of article VIII of the present Convention concerning the amendment procedures applicable to the annex other than chapter I.

9 Pilot transfer arrangements provided for in paragraph 3 on ships to which chapter I applies shall be inspected in accordance with regulations I/6 and I/7 or I/8. Pilot transfer arrangements on ships to which chapter I does not apply shall be inspected to the satisfaction of the Administration.

10 Mechanical pilot hoists shall not be used.

11 Adequate means of illumination, either fixed or portable, shall be capable of illuminating all pilot transfer arrangements overside and the position on deck where pilots and other personnel embark or disembark. Portable lights, when used, shall have brackets to permit their positioning.

12 Where a pilot or other personnel suspect the pilot transfer arrangement provided is non-compliant, they should inform the master and refuse to use the arrangement until it is made compliant.

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* Refer to *Unified interpretation of the term "first survey" referred to in SOLAS regulations* (MSC.1/Circ.1290)."

APPENDIX

CERTIFICATES

Record of equipment for passenger ship safety (Form P)

4 In section 5 (Details of navigational systems and equipment), new entries 16.1 to 16.3 are added as follows:

"16.1 Pilot ladder and manropes

16.2 Spare pilot ladder and manropes

16.3 Means of securing a pilot ladder at intermediate length"

Record of equipment for cargo ship safety (Form E)

5 In section 3 (Details of navigational systems and equipment), new entries 17.1 to 17.3 are added as follows:

"17.1 Pilot ladder and manropes

17.2 Spare pilot ladder and manropes

17.3 Means of securing a pilot ladder at intermediate length"

Record of equipment for cargo ship safety (Form C)

6 In section 5 (Details of navigational systems and equipment), new entries 17.1 to 17.3 are added as follows:

"17.1 Pilot ladder and manropes

17.2 Spare pilot ladder and manropes

17.3 Means of securing a pilot ladder at intermediate length"

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