



## 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.483(103) and 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) relating to the requirement in Annex B Part A Annex 2 of the Code which will enter into force on 1 January 2023.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), at its 103<sup>rd</sup> session (MSC 103), adopted, inter alia, Resolution MSC.483(103) on 13 May 2021 in amending the 2011 ESP Code. The amendments will enter into force on 1 January 2023.
2. Resolution MSC.483(103) introduces amendment to the table “Minimum requirements for thickness measurements at renewal surveys of double-hull oil tankers”, and revises the scope of required extent of thickness measurements at the first renewal survey of double-hull oil tankers to only taking measurements in ‘suspect areas’ only, for aligning the thickness measurement requirements of oil tankers with those of bulk carriers.
3. The details of the resolution MSC.483(103) can be found on the website of Marine Department (<http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html>) as attachment to this Note.
4. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, masters and classification societies of Hong Kong registered ships are reminded to take note of the amendment and act accordingly.

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