



香港商船資訊

HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Amendments to the International Code for Fire Safety Systems (FSS Code) – Fixed Fire detection and Fire Alarm Systems

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate IMO resolution MSC.484(103) and to advise the parties concerned of the amendments to the International Code for Fire Safety Systems (FSS Code) relating to the requirements of the Fixed Fire Detection and Fire Alarm Systems in Chapter 9 of the Code. The amendments will enter into force on 1 January 2024.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), at its 103rd session (MSC 103), adopted, inter alia, resolution MSC.484(103) on 13 May 2021 in amending the International Code for Fire Safety Systems (FSS Code). The amendments will enter into force on 1 January 2024.
2. The resolution MSC.484(103) adopted amendments relating to Chapter 9 of the FSS Code where a new paragraph 2.1.8 is inserted for specifying the fault isolation requirements for individually identifiable fire detector systems (installed in lieu of section identifiable fire detector systems) on cargo ships and on passenger ship cabin balconies.
3. The details of resolution MSC.484(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, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are reminded to take note of these amendments and act accordingly.

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