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## HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

### **Amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code)**

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

#### ***Summary***

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate IMO resolution MSC. 492(104) and to advise the parties concerned of the amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code). The amendment will enter into force on 1 January 2024.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) at its 104th session adopted the resolution MSC.492(104) on 8 October 2021 to amend the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code). The amendments will enter into force on 1 January 2024.
2. The resolution MSC.492(104) adopted amendments to paragraph 2.7.1.1 of Chapter 2 (Ship survival capability and location of cargo tanks) of the IGC Code to clarify the condition of watertight doors on cargo ships to be considered for stability criteria at any stage of flooding to harmonize the consideration of watertight doors in damage stability calculations with those in SOLAS.
3. The resolution MSC.492(104) can be found on the website of Marine Department (<https://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 note the above.

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