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## 香港商船資訊

## HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

## Interim Guidelines for Use of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Cargo as Fuel

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

## Summary

The purpose of this Note is to advise the parties concerned of the Interim Guidelines for use of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) cargo as fuel, providing guidance for safe use of LPG cargo as fuel in relation to the IGC Code.

- 1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) at its 108<sup>th</sup> session in May 2024 approved by circular MSC.1/Circ.1679, the Interim Guidelines for Use of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Cargo as Fuel (the "Interim Guidelines"), to provide unified specific guidance for ships using LPG cargo as fuel until such provisions are incorporated in the IGC Code, with a view to responding to the industry's urgent need for such guidance.
- 2. The details of the Interim Guidelines can be found on the website of the Marine Department (https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/legislation/notices/msin/index.html) as attachment to this Information Note.
- 3. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to note the Interim Guidelines and act accordingly.

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