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## HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

**Unified Interpretations of SOLAS Regulations II-2/9 and 13**

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

***Summary***

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the Unified Interpretations of SOLAS regulations II-2/9 and 13, as given in circular MSC.1/Circ.1511/Rev.1, providing clarity on the term "safe position" in relation to escape routes from machinery spaces.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) at its 108<sup>th</sup> session in May 2024, approved the circular MSC.1/Circ.1511/Rev.1, which provides more specific guidance on "safe position" in SOLAS regulation II-2/13.4.
2. The circular MSC.1/Circ.1511/Rev.1 revokes MSC.1/Circ.1511, and the details of the unified interpretations 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 unified interpretations and act accordingly.

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