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## HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

### Guidance for the Operational Use of Integrated Bridge Systems (IBS)

*To : Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Ship Masters, Officers and Maritime Pilots*

#### *Summary*

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the Guidance for the Operational Use of Integrated Bridge Systems (IBS). This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 11/2003.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee of the IMO, at its 76<sup>th</sup> session in December 2002, approved the “Guidance for the operational use of Integrated Bridge Systems (IBS)” as annexed to IMO circular MSC/Circ.1061. The guidance has been developed to support the safe operational use of an IBS by promoting procedures necessary to ensure adequate knowledge of system functions for Mode Awareness, Situational Awareness and Workload Management in addition to traditional seamanship.
2. The aim of the guidance is to define the basis for minimum criteria on the operation, training and quality control for IBS. The guidance covers matters such as bridge procedures, emergency procedures, passage planning, record keeping, implementing new technology and training.
3. The circular MSC/Circ.1061 can be found on the webpage of Marine Department ( <http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html> ) as an attachment to this Note.
4. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters, officers and maritime pilots are urged to note and take account of the guidance when using IBS.
5. This Note supersedes Hong Kong Merchant Shipping Information Note No. 11/2003.

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