REPORT ON THE STATUS OF CONVENTIONS AND OTHER MULTILATERAL INSTRUMENTS IN RESPECT OF WHICH THE ORGANIZATION PERFORMS FUNCTIONS

Note by the Secretary-General

SUMMARY

Executive summary: This document reports on the status, as at 22 August 2008, of treaties, and amendments thereto, deposited with IMO, in respect of which the Organization performs functions.

Strategic direction: 2

High-level action: 2.1.1

Planned output: Not applicable

Action to be taken: Paragraph 57

Related documents: None

GENERAL INTRODUCTION

1 The annex to this document contains a consolidated list showing the status, as at 22 August 2008, of conventions and other multilateral instruments (and amendments thereto) in respect of which IMO performs depositary and other functions.

2 The following developments, since its one hundredth session, are brought to the attention of the Council:

I ENTRY INTO FORCE OF INSTRUMENTS AND AMENDMENTS THERETO

AMENDMENTS TO CONVENTIONS AND PROTOCOLS

2006 Performance Standard for protective coatings for dedicated seawater ballast tanks in all types of ships and double-side skin spaces of bulk carriers (under SOLAS 1974)

3 This Performance Standard was adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.215(82). It took effect on 1 July 2008, upon the entry into force of the amendments to regulations II-1/3-2 and XII-6 of the International Convention on...
the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, adopted by resolution MSC.216(82). Information on these amendments is provided in paragraph 4 below.

2006 (chapters II-1, II-2, III and XII and appendix) amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974

4 Amendments to chapters II-1, II-2, III, XII and the appendix were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.216(82) and are set out in annex 1 to the resolution. The conditions for their entry into force were met on 1 January 2008 and the amendments entered into force on 1 July 2008. Further amendments to chapter II-1 are set out in annex 2 to the resolution. The conditions for their entry into force were met on 1 July 2008 and the amendments will enter into force on 1 January 2009. For information on the third set of amendments adopted under this resolution, set out in annex 3, please refer to paragraph 42 below.


5 Amendments to chapters 4, 6, 7 and 9 were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.217(82) and are set out in annex 1 to the resolution. The conditions for their entry into force were met on 1 January 2008 and the amendments entered into force on 1 July 2008. For information on the other set of amendments adopted under this resolution, set out in annex 2, please refer to paragraph 38 below.

2006 amendments to the International Life-Saving Appliance (LSA) Code (under SOLAS 1974)

6 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.218(82). The conditions for their entry into force were met on 1 January 2008 and the amendments entered into force on 1 July 2008.


7 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.220(82). The conditions for their entry into force were met on 1 January 2008 and the amendments entered into force on 1 July 2008.


8 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.221(82). The conditions for their entry into force were met on 1 January 2008 and the amendments entered into force on 1 July 2008.


9 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.222(82). The conditions for their entry into force were met on 1 January 2008 and the amendments entered into force on 1 July 2008.

10 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.223(82). The conditions for their entry into force were met on 1 January 2008 and the amendments entered into force on 1 July 2008.


11 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.227(82). The conditions for their entry into force were met on 1 January 2008 and the amendments entered into force on 1 July 2008.

2005 (chapters II-1, II-2, VI, IX, XI-1, XI-2 and appendix to the Annex) amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974

12 These amendments, comprising two sets, were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 19 May 2005, by resolution MSC.194(80). As previously reported to the Council, the first set of amendments (to chapter II-1, parts A, A-1, B and C of the Convention), set out in annex 1 to the resolution, entered into force on 1 January 2007. With regard to the second set (to chapter II-1, parts A, B, B-1 and C, chapter II-2, VI, IX, XI-1, XI-2 and appendix to the Annex to the Convention), set out in annex 2, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that they shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2008 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2009 unless, prior to 1 July 2008, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention, or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 1 July 2008, only one notification of objection (from Finland) had been received and the amendments will, therefore, enter into force on 1 January 2009.

2005 amendments to the International Safety Management (ISM) Code

13 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 19 May 2005, by resolution MSC.195(80). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2008 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2009 unless, prior to 1 July 2008, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention, or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute more than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 1 July 2008, no such notification of objection had been received and the amendments will, therefore, enter into force on 1 January 2009.

2005 amendments to the International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code

14 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 19 May 2005, by resolution MSC.196(80). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2008 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2009 unless, prior to 1 July 2008, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention, or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute more than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 1 July 2008, no such notification of objection had been received and the amendments will, therefore, enter into force on 1 January 2009.
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15 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.219(82). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2008 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2009 unless, prior to 1 July 2008, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974, or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 1 July 2008, no such notification of objection had been received and the amendments will, therefore, enter into force on 1 January 2009.

2007 amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code)

16 These amendments were adopted by the Marine Environment Protection Committee on 13 July 2007, by resolution MEPC.166(56). At the time of their adoption, the Marine Environment Protection Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2008 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2009 unless, prior to 1 July 2008, not less than one-third of the Parties or Parties the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50 per cent of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 1 July 2008, no such notification of objection had been received and the amendments will, therefore, enter into force on 1 January 2009.

2007 amendments to the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972

17 These amendments were adopted by the Assembly, by resolution A.1004(25), on 29 November 2007. At the time of their adoption, the Assembly determined that the amendments will enter into force on 1 December 2009 unless, by 1 June 2008, more than one-third of the Contracting Parties to the Convention have notified their objection to the amendments. As at 1 June 2008, no such notification of objection had been received and the amendments will, therefore, enter into force on 1 December 2009.

II DEVELOPMENTS WITH REGARD TO INSTRUMENTS IN RESPECT OF WHICH THE CONDITIONS FOR ENTRY INTO FORCE HAVE NOT YET BEEN FULFILLED

A CONVENTIONS AND PROTOCOLS

Protocol of 1990 to amend the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974

18 In accordance with article V, this Protocol is to enter into force 90 days following the date on which 10 States have expressed their consent to be bound by it. As at 22 August 2008, there were six Contracting States.

19 The 1993 Protocol absorbs the parent Convention of 1977 and amends the provisions therein, which had caused difficulties for States. It also takes into account developments in fishing and fishing vessel technology since the adoption of the 1977 Convention. It will enter into force 12 months after the date on which not less than 15 States, the aggregate number of whose fishing vessels of 24 metres in length and over is not less than 14,000, have expressed their consent to be bound by it. As at 22 August 2008, there were 15 Contracting States, the aggregate number of whose fishing vessels of the required length was approximately 3,237.

International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Fishing Vessel Personnel, 1995

20 In accordance with article 12, this Convention is to enter into force 12 months after the date on which 15 States have expressed their consent to be bound by it. As at 22 August 2008, there were 10 Contracting States.


21 In accordance with article 46, this Convention will enter into force 18 months after the date on which the following conditions are fulfilled:

(a) at least twelve States, including four States each with not less than 2 million units of gross tonnage, have expressed their consent to be bound by it, and

(b) the Secretary-General has received information, in accordance with article 43, that those persons in such States who would be liable to contribute, pursuant to article 18, paragraphs 1(a) and (c), have received during the preceding calendar year a total quantity of at least 40 million tonnes of cargo contributing to the general account.

As at 22 August 2008, there were 12 Contracting States, thereby fulfilling the first of the entry into force requirements. The second has not yet been fulfilled.

Protocol of 2002 to the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974

22 In accordance with article 20, this Protocol will enter into force 12 months following the date on which 10 States have either signed it without reservation as to ratification, acceptance or approval or have deposited instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Secretary-General. As at 22 August 2008, there were four Contracting States.

International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships’ Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004

23 In accordance with article 18, this Convention will enter into force 12 months after the date on which not less than 30 States, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 35% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant shipping, have either signed it without reservation as to ratification, acceptance or approval, or have deposited instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession in accordance with article 17. As at 22 August 2008, there
were 14 Contracting States, representing approximately 3.55% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant shipping.

**Protocol of 2005 to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation; and**

**Protocol of 2005 to the Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Fixed Platforms located on the Continental Shelf**

24 In accordance with article 18, the Protocol to the Convention will enter into force 90 days following the date on which 12 States have either signed it without reservation as to ratification, acceptance or approval, or have deposited an instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Secretary-General.

25 In accordance with article 9, the Protocol to the Protocol will enter into force 90 days following the date on which three States have either signed it without reservation as to ratification, acceptance or approval, or have deposited an instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Secretary-General, with the proviso that it shall not enter into force before the Protocol of 2005 to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation has entered into force. As at 22 August 2008, there were seven Contracting States to the Protocol to the Convention and five Contracting States to the Protocol to the Protocol.

**Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007**

26 This Convention opened for signature at IMO on 19 November 2007 and will remain open until 18 November 2008.

27 In accordance with article 18, the Convention shall enter into force 12 months following the date on which 10 States have either signed it without reservation as to ratification, acceptance or approval, or have deposited the requisite instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession with the Secretary-General, in accordance with article 17 thereof.

28 As at 22 August 2008, there was one Signatory State, but no Contracting States to the Convention.

**B AMENDMENTS TO CONVENTIONS AND PROTOCOLS**

**1978 (Disputes) amendments to the Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter, 1972, as amended**

29 These amendments will enter into force 60 days after acceptance by two-thirds of the Contracting Parties. The number of acceptances necessary for their entry into force is, therefore, at present, 55. As at 22 August 2008, there were 20 acceptances.

**1993 amendments to the International Convention for Safe Containers, 1972, as amended**

30 These amendments were adopted by the Assembly on 4 November 1993, by resolution A.737(18). The amendments will enter into force 12 months after the date on which they are accepted by two-thirds of the Contracting Parties to the Convention. The number of acceptances necessary for entry into force is, therefore, at present, 52. As at 22 August 2008, there were nine acceptances.
1994 and 1998 amendments to the Convention and Operating Agreement on the International Maritime Satellite Organization (INMARSAT)

31 Amendments to the Convention and Operating Agreement to change the name of the Organization to the International Mobile Satellite Organization (Inmarsat) and to amend article 13 of the Convention relating to the composition of the Council, were adopted and confirmed, respectively, on 9 December 1994 by the Inmarsat Assembly at its tenth (extraordinary) session.

32 These amendments did not enter into force and have been superseded by the 1998 amendments, the purpose of which was to change Inmarsat into a privatized corporate structure, while retaining intergovernmental oversight of certain public service obligations. The 1998 amendments entered into force on 31 July 2001.

2006 amendments to the Convention on the International Mobile Satellite Organization (IMSO)

33 Amendments to the IMSO Convention (constituting IMSO as the oversight body of all GMDSS service providers worldwide, which are, or may be, approved by IMO in the future; and providing for IMSO’s appointment as the LRIT Coordinator) were adopted by the IMSO Assembly at its eighteenth session (29 September 2006). At its nineteenth (extraordinary) session (March 2007), the IMSO Assembly decided on a provisional application of the amendments, with effect from 7 March 2007, pending their formal entry into force. The amendments will enter into force 120 days after notices of acceptance have been received from two-thirds of those States which, at the time of adoption by the Assembly, were Parties to the Convention. The number of Parties to the Convention at the time of the adoption of the amendments was 91. The number of acceptances necessary for entry into force is, therefore, 61. As at 22 August 2008, one such notice of acceptance had been received.


34 These amendments were adopted by the Assembly on 23 November 1995, by resolution A.784(19). The amendments will enter into force 12 months after the date on which they are accepted by two-thirds of the Contracting Governments. The number of acceptances necessary for entry into force is, therefore, 104. As at 22 August 2008, there were seven acceptances.

2005 amendments to the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966

35 These amendments were adopted by the Assembly on 1 December 2005, by resolution A.972(24). The amendments will enter into force on 3 February 2010, after their acceptance by all Contracting Governments to the Convention, by 3 February 2009. A Contracting Government, which does not communicate its acceptance or rejection to the Organization by 3 February 2009, shall be deemed to have rejected the amendments. In accordance with article 29(2)(b) of the Convention, the amendments shall be deemed to be rejected if they are not accepted by 3 February 2009. As at 22 August 2008, there were no acceptances of, or objections to, the amendments.

2006 (chapter II-2) amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974

36 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 18 May 2006, by resolution MSC.201(81). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee
determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 January 2010 and shall enter into force on 1 July 2010 unless, prior to 1 January 2010, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention, or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

2006 amendments (to the Annex) to the Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974

37 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 18 May 2006, by resolution MSC.204(81). In accordance with article VIII(b)(iv) of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 and article VI(b) of the Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on the date on which they have been accepted by two-thirds of the Parties to the Protocol and shall enter into force six months after that date. As at 22 August 2008, one acceptance of the amendments had been received.


(a) May 2006 amendments

38 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 18 May 2006, by resolution MSC.206(81). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 January 2010 and shall enter into force on 1 July 2010 unless, prior to 1 January 2010, more than one-third of SOLAS Contracting Governments, or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

(b) December 2006 amendments

39 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.217(82). Please refer to paragraph 5 of this document for details on the entry into force of the amendments set out in Annex 1 to the resolution. As concerns the amendments to Chapter 9 set out in Annex 2 to the resolution, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that they shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 January 2010; and shall enter into force on 1 July 2010, respectively, unless, prior to the former date, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974 or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

2006 amendments to the International Life-Saving Appliance (LSA) Code (under SOLAS 1974)

40 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 18 May 2006, by resolution MSC.207(81). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 January 2010 and shall enter into force on 1 July 2010 unless, prior to 1 January 2010, more than one-third of SOLAS Contracting Governments, or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of
which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

**2006 amendments to the Guidelines for the authorization of organizations acting on behalf of the Administration (resolution A.739(18)) (under SOLAS 1974)**

41 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 18 May 2006, by resolution MSC.208(81). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 January 2010 and shall enter into force on 1 July 2010 unless, prior to 1 January 2010, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974, or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.


42 These amendments were adopted by the Marine Environment Protection Committee on 13 October 2006, by resolution MEPC.156(55). At the time of their adoption, the Marine Environment Protection Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2009 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2010 unless, prior to 1 July 2009, not less than one-third of the Parties to MARPOL 73/78 or Parties, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50 per cent of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified to the Organization their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

**2006 (chapters II-1, II-2, III and XII and appendix) amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974**

43 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 8 December 2006, by resolution MSC.216(82). Please refer to paragraph 4 of this document for details on the entry into force of the amendments set out in Annexes 1 and 2 to the resolution. As concerns the amendments to chapters II-1, II-2 and III, set out in Annex 3 to the resolution, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that they shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 January 2010. They will enter into force on 1 July 2010, unless, prior to the former date, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

**2007 amendments to the list of substances annexed to the Protocol relating to Intervention on the High Seas in Cases of Pollution by Substances other than Oil, 1973**

44 These amendments were adopted by the Marine Environment Protection Committee on 13 July 2007, by resolution MEPC.165(56). At the time of their adoption, the Marine Environment Protection Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted at the end of the period of six months after they have been communicated, unless within that period, an objection to the amendments has been communicated by not less than one-third of the parties to the Protocol, and shall enter into force three months after they have
been deemed to have been accepted. At the time of finalizing this document, a communication to all Parties to the Protocol is in the process of being issued.

2007 (chapters IV and VI) amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974

45 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 12 October 2007, by resolution MSC.239(83). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 January 2009 and shall enter into force on 1 July 2009 unless, prior to 1 January 2009, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974, or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

Amendments to the Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974

46 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 12 October 2007, by resolution MSC.240(83). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 January 2009 and shall enter into force on 1 July 2009 unless, prior to 1 January 2009, more than one-third of the Parties to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol, or Parties, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.


47 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 12 October 2007, by resolution MSC.241(83). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 January 2009 and shall enter into force on 1 July 2009 unless, prior to 1 January 2009, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974, or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

Code of the International Standards and Recommended Practices for a Safety Investigation into a Marine Casualty or Marine Incident (Casualty Investigation Code) (under SOLAS 1974)

48 This Code was adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 16 May 2008, by resolution MSC.255(84). At the time of its adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that it will take effect on 1 January 2010, upon the entry into force of the amendments to regulation XI-1 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, adopted by the Committee by resolution MSC.257(84). Information on these amendments is provided in paragraph 50 below.
2008 (chapters II-1, II-2, III, IV and appendix to the annex) amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974

49 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 16 May 2008, by resolution MSC.256(84). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2009 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2010 unless, prior to 1 July 2009, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974, or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

2008 (chapter XI-1) amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974

50 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 16 May 2008, by resolution MSC.257(84). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2009 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2010 unless, prior to 1 July 2009, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974, or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

2008 (appendix to the annex) amendments to the Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974

51 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 16 May 2008, by resolution MSC.258(84). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2009 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2010 unless, prior to 1 July 2009, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974, or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.


52 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 16 May 2008, by resolution MSC.259(84). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2009 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2010 unless, prior to 1 July 2009, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974, or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

53 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 16 May 2008, by resolution MSC.260(84). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2009 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2010 unless, prior to 1 July 2009, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974, or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

2008 amendments to the Guidelines on the enhanced programme of inspections during surveys of bulk carriers and oil tankers (resolution A.744(18), as amended (under SOLAS 1974)

54 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 16 May 2008, by resolution MSC.261(84). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2009 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2010 unless, prior to 1 July 2009, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974, or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

2008 amendments to the International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code (under SOLAS 1974)

55 These amendments were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee on 16 May 2008, by resolution MSC.262(84). At the time of their adoption, the Maritime Safety Committee determined that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2009 and shall enter into force on 1 January 2010 unless, prior to 1 July 2009, more than one-third of the Contracting Governments to SOLAS 1974, or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments. As at 22 August 2008, no such notification of objection had been received.

III ACTION BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

56 Pursuant to the requests and authorizations of the Council and the Assembly, the Secretary-General has continued to communicate with Governments concerned, inviting them to expedite the necessary measures for considering and accepting the IMO treaty instruments, which they have not yet accepted. In this respect, Governments have been made aware of the Organization’s readiness and willingness to provide appropriate advice or assistance in connection with the acceptance, ratification, etc., of the respective treaty instruments and their implementation thereafter. The Secretary-General will maintain these efforts in order to ensure the widest possible acceptance and the most effective implementation of all instruments in respect of which IMO performs depositary and other functions.
IV ACTION REQUESTED OF THE COUNCIL

57 The Council is invited to take note of the information provided in this document and its annex, and to comment or decide as may be deemed appropriate.

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ANNEX

The table appended to this annex gives, for each instrument, data on the number of States, which have signed or accepted it, including the number of Member States which have not yet deposited the necessary instruments in each case.

(1)(a) International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended (SOLAS (amended) 1974)

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1994 amendments (Conference resolution 1)

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for high speed craft, (HSC Code), new chapter XI -
Special measures to enhance maritime safety)

Annex 2 (new chapter IX - Management
for the safe operation of ships, (ISM Code))

2004 amendments (MSC.179(79))

1994 amendments (MSC.42(64))
(cargo information, loading, stowage and securing)

1995 amendments (MSC.46(65))
(ships’ routeing)

1995 amendments (Conference resolution 1)
(ro-ro passenger ship safety)

1996 amendments (MSC.47(66))
(construction, subdivision and stability, life-saving
appliances, (LSA Code), carriage of cargoes,
authorization of recognized organizations)

1996 amendments (MSC.57(67))
(construction; machinery and electrical installations;
fire protection, fire detection and fire extinction (FTP Code);
carriage of dangerous goods)

1997 amendments (MSC.65(68))
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vessel traffic services)

1997 amendments (Conference resolution 1)
(new chapter XII on bulk carrier safety)
1998 amendments (MSC.69(69))
(construction; radiocommunications; carriage of cargoes; carriage of dangerous goods) 1 July 2002

1999 (chapter VII) amendments (MSC.87(71)) 1 January 2001

2000 (chapter III) amendments (MSC.91(72))
(life-saving appliances and arrangements, form of certificates) 1 January 2002

2000 (chapters II-1, II-2, V, IX and X) amendments (MSC.99(73)) 1 July 2002

2001 (chapter VII) amendments
(MSC.117(74)) 1 January 2003

2002 (chapters IV, V, VI and VII and appendix to the Annex) amendments
(MSC.123(75)) 1 January 2004

2002 (chapter V, new chapter XI, chapter XI-2) amendments to the Annex (Conference resolution 1) 1 July 2004

2002 technical provisions for means of access for inspections (MSC.133(76)) 1 July 2004

2004 amendments (MSC.158(78)) 1 January 2006

2002 (chapter II-1) amendments (MSC.134(76)) 1 July 2004

2003 (chapter V) amendments (MSC.142(77)) 1 July 2006

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2004 (chapters III and IV) amendments (MSC.152(78)) 1 July 2006

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2004 Standards and criteria for side structures of bulk carriers of single-skin construction (MSC.168(79)) 1 July 2006

2004 Standards for owners’ inspection and maintenance of bulk carrier hatch covers (MSC.169(79)) 1 July 2006

2004 (chapters II-1, III, V, VII and XII) amendments (MSC.170(79)) 1 July 2006
2005 (chapters II-1, II-2, VI, IX, XI-1 and XI-2) amendments (MSC.194(80))

  chapter II-1, parts A, A-1, B and C 1 January 2007

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2006 (chapter II-2) amendments (MSC.201(81)) [1 July 2010]

2006 (chapter V) amendments (MSC.202(81)) 1 January 2008

2006 Performance standard for protective coatings for dedicated seawater ballast tanks in all types of ships and double-side skin spaces of bulk carriers (MSC.215(82)) 1 July 2008

2006 (chapters II-1, II-2, III and XII and appendix) amendments (MSC.216(82)):

  chapters II-1, II-2, III and XII and appendix (set out in Annex 1 to the resolution) 1 July 2008

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2007 (chapters IV and V) amendments (MSC.239(83)) [1 July 2009]

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(1)(b) Codes and other instruments made mandatory under SOLAS:


  Effective as from: 1 July 1986

  1987 amendments (MSC.10(54)) (lists of chemicals) 30 October 1988

  1989 amendments (MSC.14(57)) (lists of chemicals) 13 October 1990

  1990 amendments (MSC.16(58)) (harmonized system of survey and certification) 3 February 2000
1992 amendments (MSC.28(61)) 1 July 1994
(list of chemicals, cargo tank venting and gas-freeing arrangements and other amendments)

1996 amendments (MSC.50(66)) 1 July 1998
(lists of chemicals)

1996 amendments (MSC.58(67)) 1 July 1998
(vague expressions)

2000 (chapters 5, 8, 14, 15 and 16) amendments (MSC.102(73)) 1 July 2002

2004 amendments (MSC.176(79)) 1 January 2007

2006 amendments (MSC.219(82)) 1 January 2009

International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code) (MSC.5(48))

Effective as from: 1 July 1986

1990 amendments (MSC.17(58)) 3 February 2000
(harmonized system of survey and certification)

1992 amendments (MSC.30(61)) 1 July 1994
(cargo containment, fire protection, use of cargo as fuel, special requirements and summary of minimum requirements)

1994 amendments (MSC.32(63)) 1 July 1998
(filling limits for cargo tanks)

1996 amendments (MSC.59(67)) 1 July 1998
(reference to recognized standards, miscellaneous)

2000 (chapters 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14 and 18) amendments (MSC.103(73)) 1 July 2002

2004 (chapters 3 and 10) amendments MSC.177(79)) 1 July 2006

2006 amendments (MSC.220(82)) 1 July 2008

International Code for the Safe Carriage of Grain in Bulk (Grain Code) (MSC.23(59))

Effective as from: 1 January 1994

Effective as from: 1 January 1996

2001 amendments (MSC.119(74)) 1 January 2003
2004 amendments (MSC.174(79)) 1 July 2006
2006 amendments (MSC.221(82)) 1 July 2008
2008 amendments (MSC.259(84)) [1 January 2010]


Effective as from: 1 July 2002

2004 amendments (MSC.175(79)) 1 July 2006
2006 amendments (MSC.222(82)) 1 July 2008
2008 amendments (MSC.260(84)) [1 January 2010]

Guidelines for the Authorization of Organizations Acting on Behalf of the Administration (resolution A.739(18))

Effective as from: 1 July 1996

2006 amendments (MSC.208(81)) [1 July 2010]
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Guidelines on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections During Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers (resolution A.744(18))

Effective as from: 1 January 1996

1996 amendments (MSC.49(66)) 1 July 1998
(new annex on guidelines for technical assessment in conjunction with planning of surveys)

1997 amendments (Conference resolution 2) 1 July 1999
(new annex on requirements for extent of thickness measurement and associated amendments to the guidelines, new section on repairs relative to damages and wastage in holds)

2000 amendments (MSC.105(73)) 1 July 2002
2002 amendments (MSC.125(75)) 1 January 2004
2003 amendments (MSC.144(77)) 1 January 2005
2005 amendments (MSC.197(80)) 1 January 2007
2008 amendments (MSC.261(84)) [1 January 2010]

International Management Code for the Safe Operation of Ships and for Pollution Prevention (International Safety Management (ISM) Code) (A.741(18))

Effective as from: 1 July 1998
2000 amendments (MSC.104(73)) 1 July 2002
2005 amendments (MSC.195(80)) 1 January 2007

International Life-Saving Appliances (LSA) Code (MSC.48(66))

Effective as from: 1 July 1998
2006 amendments (MSC.207(81)) [1 July 2010]
2006 amendments (MSC.218(82)) 1 July 2008

International Code for Application of Fire Test Procedures (FTP Code) (MSC.61(67))

Effective as from: 1 July 1998
2000 amendments (Annexes I and II) 1 July 2002
(MSC.101(73))
2004 amendments (Annex I) 1 July 2006
(MSC.173(79))

International Code for the Safe Carriage of Packaged Irradiated Nuclear Fuel, Plutonium and High-Level Radioactive Wastes on Board Ships (INF Code) (MSC.88(71))

Effective as from: 1 January 2001
2001 amendments (MSC.118(74)) 1 January 2003
2002 amendments (MSC.135(75)) 1 July 2004
2004 amendments (MSC.178(79)) 1 July 2006
2007 amendments (MSC.241(83)) [1 July 2009]


2006 amendments (MSC.206(81)) [1 July 2010]
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chapters 4, 6, 7 and 9
(set out in Annex 1 to the resolution) 1 July 2008

chapter 9 (set out in Annex 2 to the resolution) [1 July 2010]

International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
(IMDG Code) (MSC.122(75))

2004 amendments (MSC.157(78)) 1 January 2006

2006 amendments (MSC.205(81)) 1 January 2008

2008 amendments (MSC.262(84)) [1 January 2010]


2005 amendments (MSC.196(80)) [1 January 2009]

International Code of the International Standards and Recommended Practices for a Safety Investigation into a Marine Casualty of Marine Incident (Casualty Investigation Code) (MSC.255(84)) [1 January 2010]

(1)(c) Special rules drawn up by agreement under SOLAS:

Agreement concerning specific stability requirements for ro-ro passenger ships undertaking regular scheduled international voyages between or to or from designated ports in North West Europe and the Baltic Sea 1 April 1997


Entry into force: 1 May 1981

1981 amendments (steering gear) (MSC.2(XLV)) 1 September 1984

1988 amendments (GMDSS) (Conference resolution) 1 February 1992


Entry into force: 3 February 2000

2000 amendments (MSC.92(72)) 1 January 2002

2000 amendments (to the Annex) (MSC.100(73)) 1 July 2002
2002 amendments (MSC.124(75)) 1 January 2004
2004 amendments (MSC.154(78)) 1 July 2006
2004 amendments (MSC.171(79)) 1 July 2006
2006 amendments (to the Annex) (MSC.204(81))*
2006 amendments (to the Appendix to the Annex) (MSC.227(82)) 1 July 2008
2007 amendments (to the Appendix to the Annex) (MSC.240(83)) [1 July 2009]
2008 amendments (to the Appendix to the Annex) MSC.258(84) [1 January 2010]

(4) Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972, as amended (COLREG (amended) 1972)

Entry into force: 15 July 1977
1981 amendments (general) (A.464(XII)) 1 June 1983
1987 amendments (general) (A.626(15)) 19 November 1989
1989 amendments (general) (A.678(16)) 19 April 1991
1993 amendments (general) (A.736(18)) 4 November 1995
2001 amendments (general) (A.910(22)) 29 November 2003
2007 amendments (general) (A.1004(25)) [1 December 2009]

(5)(a) International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973 as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto (MARPOL (amended) 73/78)

Entry into force: 2 October 1983
    Annex I 2 October 1983
    Annex II 6 April 1987
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    Annex V 31 December 1988

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1997 (Annex I) amendments (MEPC.75(40)) (designation of North West European waters as a special area; new regulation 25A) 1 February 1999

1999 (Annexes I and II) amendments (MEPC.78(43)) (amendments to regulations 13G and 26 and IOPP Certificate of Annex I and addition of new regulation 16 to Annex II) 1 January 2001

2000 (Annex III) amendments (MEPC.84(44)) (deletion of clause relating to tainting of sea food) 1 January 2002

2000 (Annex V) amendments (MEPC.89(45)) (amendments to regulations 1, 3, 5 and 9 to the Record of Garbage Discharge) 1 March 2002

2001 (Annex I) amendments (MEPC.95(46)) amendments to regulation 13G of Annex I) 1 September 2002

2002 amendments to the Condition Assessment Scheme (MEPC.99(48)) 1 March 2004

2003 amendments to the Condition Assessment Scheme (MEPC.112(50)) 5 April 2005

2005 amendments to the Condition Assessment Scheme (MEPC.131(53)) 1 July 2007

2006 amendments to the Condition Assessment Scheme (MEPC.155(55)) 1 March 2008


2004 (Annex IV) amendments (MEPC.115(51)) 1 August 2005

2004 (Annex V) amendments (MEPC.116(51)) 1 August 2005

2004 amendments to the Annex (revised Annex I) amendments (MEPC.117(52)) 1 January 2007

2004 amendments to the Annex (revised Annex II) amendments (MEPC.118(52)) 1 January 2007

2006 amendments to the Annex (amendments to regulation 1, addition to regulation 12A, consequential amendments to the
IOPP Certificate and amendments to regulation 21 of revised Annex I) (MEPC.141(54))

2006 amendments to the Annex (addition of regulation 13) to Annex IV (MEPC.143(54)) 1 August 2007

2006 amendments to the Annex (amendments to regulation 1 of Annex I – designation of the Southern African Waters as a Special Area) (MEPC.154(55)) 1 March 2008

2006 amendments to the Annex (revised Annex III) (MEPC.156(55)) [1 January 2010]

2007 (Annex I and Annex IV) amendments Reception facilities outside special areas Discharge of sewage (MEPC.164(56)) [1 December 2008]

(5)(b) Codes made mandatory under MARPOL 73/78:

International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code) (MEPC.19(22))

Effective as from: 6 April 1987

1989 amendments (MEPC.32(27)) (lists of chemicals) 13 October 1990

1990 amendments (MEPC.40(29)) (harmonized system of survey and certification) 3 February 2000

1992 amendments (MEPC.55(33)) (lists of chemicals, cargo tank venting and gas-freeing arrangements and other amendments) 1 July 1994

1996 amendments (MEPC.69(38)) (lists of chemicals) 1 July 1998

1997 amendments (MEPC.73(39)) (vague expressions) 10 July 1998

1999 amendments (MEPC.79(43)) (cargo-tank venting and gas-freeing arrangements) 1 July 2002

2000 amendments (MEPC.90(45)) (cargo transfer, personnel protection, special and operational requirements) 1 July 2002

2004 amendments (MEPC.119(52)) 1 January 2007

2007 amendments (MEPC.166(56)) [1 January 2009]
Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH Code) (MEPC.20(22))

Effective as from: 6 April 1987

1989 amendments (MEPC.33(27)) 13 October 1990
(lists of chemicals)

1990 amendments (MEPC.41(29)) 3 February 2000
(harmonized system of survey and certification)

1992 amendments (MEPC.56(33)) 1 July 1994
(lists of chemicals and other amendments)

1996 amendments (MEPC.70(38)) 1 July 1998
(lists of chemicals)

1999 amendments (MEPC.80(43)) 1 July 2002
(cargo containment)

2000 amendments (MEPC.91(45)) 1 July 2002
(cargo containment, safety equipment, special requirements, operational requirements)

2006 amendments (MEPC.144(54)) 1 August 2007


Entry into force: 19 May 2005

2005 amendments to the Annex (amendments to MARPOL Annex VI and the NOx Technical Code) MEPC.132(53) 22 November 2006


Entry into force: 5 March 1967

(a) Amendment to the Convention:

1973 amendment (amendment procedure) 2 June 1984

(b) Amendments to the Annex:

1969 amendments (cruise ships) 12 August 1971

1977 amendments (sick/injured/transit persons, scientific services/relief work) 31 July 1978
1986 amendments (ADP/EDI) 1 October 1986
1987 amendments (FAL.1(17)) (upgrading of recommendations) 1 January 1989
1990 amendments (FAL.2(19)) (drugs trafficking) 1 September 1991
1992 amendments (FAL.3(21)) (restructuring of Annex, EDP/EDI, specialized equipment) 1 September 1993
1993 amendments (FAL.4(22)) (general) 1 September 1994
1996 amendments (FAL.5(24)) (general/pre-import information/ pre-arrival clearance) 1 May 1997
1999 amendments (FAL.6(27)) (definitions and general provisions/arrival, stay, departure of ship/persons/clearance of cargo, passengers, crew and baggage/arrival, stay and departure of cargo/clearance of cargo) 1 January 2001
2002 amendments (FAL.7(29)) (definitions and general provisions/arrival, stay, departure of ship/stowaways) 1 May 2003
2005 amendments (FAL.8(32)) (definitions and general provisions/arrival, stay, departure of ship/arrival, stay, departure of cargo) 1 November 2006


Entry into force: 21 July 1968
1971 amendments (general) (A.231(VII)) not yet in force
1975 amendment (article 29) (A.319(IX)) not yet in force
1979 amendment (seasonal area) (A.411(XI)) not yet in force
1983 amendments (seasonal area) (A.513(13)) not yet in force
1995 amendment (seasonal area) (A.784(19)) not yet in force
2005 amendments (Annex III - certificates) [3 February 2010]

Entry into force: 3 February 2000

2003 (Annex B) amendments (MSC.143(77)) 1 July 2006

2004 (Annex B) amendments (MSC.172(79)) 1 July 2006


Entry into force: 18 July 1982


Entry into force: 6 May 1975

(12) Protocol relating to Intervention on the High Seas in Cases of Pollution by Substances other than Oil, 1973, as amended (INTERVENTION PROT (amended) 1973)

Entry into force: 30 March 1983

1991 amendments (list of substances) (MEPC.49(31)) 24 July 1992

1996 amendments (list of substances) (MEPC.72(38)) 19 December 1997

2002 amendments (lists of substances) (MEPC.100(48)) 22 June 2004

2007 amendments (lists of substances) (MEPC.165(56))*


Entry into force: 19 June 1975


Entry into force: 8 April 1981


Entry into force: 30 May 1996

* These amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted at the end of the period of six months after they have been communicated, unless, within that period, objections to the amendments have been received from not less than one-third of the parties to the Protocol. They shall enter into force three months after they have been deemed to have been accepted. At the time of finalizing this document, a communication to all Parties to the Protocol was in the process of being issued.
2000 amendments (LEG.1(82)) 1 November 2003
(amendments of the limitation amounts)

(16) Special Trade Passenger Ships Agreement, 1971 (STP 1971)
Entry into force: 2 January 1974

Entry into force: 2 June 1977

(18) Convention relating to Civil Liability in the Field of Maritime Carriage of Nuclear Material, 1971 (NUCLEAR 1971)
Entry into force: 15 July 1975

Entry into force: 16 October 1978

Ceased to be in force on 24 May 2002, in accordance with article 2 of the Protocol of 2000 to the International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage, 1971, when the number of Contracting States to the Convention fell to 24.

Entry into force: 22 November 1994

Entry into force: 30 May 1996

2000 amendments (LEG.2(82)) 1 November 2003
(amendments of limits of compensation)

Entry into force: 27 June 2001

Entry into force: 3 March 2005

Entry into force: 6 September 1977

(a) Amendments to the Convention and Annexes:

1993 amendments: (A.737(18)) (S.I. units) not yet in force

(b) Amendments to the Annexes:

1981 amendments (transitional arrangements for plating) 1 December 1981

1983 amendments (MSC.3(48)) (re-examination intervals) 1 January 1984

1991 amendments (MSC.20(59)) (modified containers/tank containers) 1 January 1993

(25) Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974 (PAL 1974)

Entry into force: 28 April 1987

(26) Protocol to the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974 (PAL PROT 1976)

Entry into force: 30 April 1989

(27) Protocol of 1990 to amend the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974 (PAL PROT 1990)

Not yet in force

(28) Protocol of 2002 to the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974

Not yet in force

(29) Convention on the International Mobile Satellite Organization (INMARSAT), as amended (INMARSAT C (amended))

Entry into force: 16 July 1979

1985 amendments (aeronautical-satellite communications) 13 October 1989

1989 amendments (land mobile-satellite communications) 26 June 1997
1994 amendments (superseded by the 1998 amendments) (change of title, Council composition) not yet in force

1998 amendments restructuring of the Organization 31 July 2001

2006 amendments (oversight of all GMDSS providers and LRIT co-ordinator) not yet in force

(30) Operating Agreement on the International Maritime Satellite Organization (INMARSAT), as amended (INMARSAT OA (amended))

The Operating Agreement is no longer in force, following the entry into force of the 1998 amendments to the Convention on 31 July 2001

Entry into force: 16 July 1979

1985 amendments (aeronautical-satellite communications) 13 October 1989

1989 amendments (land mobile-satellite communications) 26 June 1997

1994 amendments (change of title, Council composition) not yet in force

1998 amendments (restructuring of the Organization) 31 July 2001


Entry into force: 1 December 1986


Entry into force: 13 May 2004


Not yet in force

1 These amendments are applied provisionally from 7 March 2007, and will enter into force 120 days after notices of acceptance from two-thirds of those States, which, at the time of adoption by the Assembly, were Parties to the Convention.

Entry into force: 28 April 1984

1991 amendments (GMDSS and trials) (MSC.21(59)) 1 December 1992

1994 amendments (MSC.33(63)) (special training requirements for personnel on tankers) 1 January 1996

1995 amendments (Conference resolution 1) (revised Annex to Convention, (STCW Code)) 1 February 1997

1997 amendments (MSC.66(68)) (training and qualification requirements for personnel on passenger ships) 1 January 1999

2006 amendments (MSC.203(81)) 1 January 2008

(34)(b) Code adopted by STCW Conference:

Seafarers’ Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW) Code (Conference resolution 2)

Part A – (Mandatory standards) effective as from: 1 February 1997

1997 amendments (MSC.67(68)) (training and qualification requirements for personnel on passenger ships) 1 January 1999

1998 amendments (MSC.78(70)) (cargo handling and stowage at the operational and management level) 1 January 2003

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