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**LIST OF IMO SAFETY-RELATED REQUIREMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
APPLICABLE TO ALL SHIPS AND CERTAIN TYPES OF SHIPS**

1 In response to the concerns expressed by the Chairmen of the MSC and the MEPC that it had become difficult for Administrations, designers, shipyards and other interested parties to identify, from the various IMO instruments in force, which requirements and recommendations applied at a given time, to certain or all types of ships, the Maritime Safety Committee (MSC), at its sixty-sixth session, instructed the Secretariat to prepare a list of safety-related requirements and recommendations.

2 The Committee, at its sixty-eighth session, having considered the list of IMO safety-related requirements and recommendations applicable to all ships and certain types of ships, decided that the list should be updated and disseminated annually by means of an MSC circular. Furthermore, upon the decision of the Council at its seventy-eighth session, the list, which was planned for circulation prior to MSC 69, was submitted and circulated to the twentieth session of the Assembly.

3 The Assembly, at its twentieth session, noted (A 20/5(b)/2, paragraphs 22 and 23) the aforementioned list and instructed the Secretariat to disseminate the list, updated as necessary, taking into account, and subject to concurrence by MSC 69 of, comments and proposals made by the Assembly.

4 The Committee, at its sixty-ninth session (11 to 20 May 1998), in pursuance of the request of the twentieth session of the Assembly regarding the list of IMO safety-related requirements and recommendations applicable to all ships and certain types of ships annexed to document A 20/9/1, instructed the Secretariat to:

- .1 structure the list so that it groups the instruments according to ship types they are applicable to and, if possible, subdivide it according to the chapters of the relevant conventions; it should also indicate, for each instrument, its legal character, i.e. whether it is a legally binding or recommendatory instrument;
- .2 prepare the list in the form of a small database (i.e. Access);
- .3 place the content of the document on the Internet Website to increase accessibility; and
- .4 complete this work by MSC 71.

5 The Committee further decided that, prior to acting as requested above, the Secretariat should update the aforementioned list, given in document A 20/9/1 and to disseminate it by means of circular. Accordingly, the updated list is given in the annex.

6 Member Governments are invited to use the list and to bring it to the attention of the parties concerned.

ANNEX

**LIST OF IMO SAFETY-RELATED REQUIREMENTS AND
RECOMMENDATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL SHIPS
AND TO CERTAIN TYPES OF SHIPS**

CONVENTIONS

Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
1 International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS) as amended, including:			25.05.80
.1 1981 amendments (res. MSC.1(XLV)) (subdivision, machinery and electrical installations, fire protection, radiocommunications, navigation, carriage of grain)	Passenger ships; cargo ships**; cargo ships carrying grain	SOLAS chs.II-1, II-2, III, IV, V and VI	01.09.84
.2 1983 amendments (res. MSC.6(48)) (sub-division, electrical installation, fire protection, life-saving appliances, radio-communications, carriage of dangerous goods, IBC and IGC Codes)	Passenger ships; cargo ships; ships carrying dangerous goods; chemical tankers; gas carriers	SOLAS chs.II-1, II-2, III, IV and VII	01.07.86
.3 1988 amendments (res. MSC.11(55)) (door indicators and television surveillance)	Ro-ro passenger ships	SOLAS ch.II-1	22.10.89
.4 1988 amendments (res. MSC.12(56)) (passenger ship damage stability)	Passenger ships	SOLAS ch.II-1	29.04.90
.5 1988 amendments (GMDSS) (Conference resolution 1)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS chs.II-1, II-2, III, IV and V	01.02.92

* Date of entry into force of the Convention or amendments thereto, as appropriate, is indicated.

** Throughout the list, the term "cargo ships" means cargo ships as defined in SOLAS regulation I/2(g), i.e. ships which are not passenger ships.

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.6 1989 amendments (res. MSC.13(57)) (subdivision, fire protection, radio-communications, navigation)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS chs.II-1, II-2, IV and V	01.02.92
.7 1990 amendments (res. MSC.19(58)) (cargo ship subdivision and damage stability)	Cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-1	01.02.92
.8 1991 amendments (res. MSC.22(59)) (fire protection, life-saving appliances, navigation, carriage of cargoes, carriage of dangerous goods)	Passenger ships; cargo ships; ships carrying grain; ships carrying dangerous goods; all types (where pilots are employed)	SOLAS chs.II-1, II-2, III, V, VI and VII	01.01.94
.9 1992 amendments (res. MSC.24(60)) (existing passenger ship fire protection)	Passenger ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	01.10.94
.10 1992 amendments (res. MSC.26(60)) (existing ro-ro passenger ship damage stability) (Refer to 1995 SOLAS Conference resolution 1, SOLAS reg.II-1/8-1)	Ro-ro passenger ships	SOLAS ch.II-1	01.10.94
.11 1992 amendments (res. MSC.27(61)) (fire protection, life-saving appliances radiocommunications)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS chs.II-2, III, and IV	01.10.94
.12 1994 amendments (res. MSC.31(63)) - Annex 1 (ship reporting systems, emergency towing arrangements on tankers) - Annex 2 (protection of fuel lines, navigation bridge visibility)	Passenger ships; cargo ships (navigation requirements); tankers Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V SOLAS chs.II-2 and V	01.01.96 01.07.98

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<p>.13 1994 amendments (1994 SOLAS Conference resolution 1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annex 1 (new chapter X - Safety measures for high-speed craft, new chapter XI - Special measures to enhance maritime safety) - Annex 2 (new chapter IX - Management for the safe operation of ships) 	<p>High-speed craft; passenger ships; cargo ships</p> <p>Passenger ships; high-speed craft; oil tankers; gas carriers; bulk carriers;</p> <p>cargo ships; mobile offshore drilling units</p>	<p>SOLAS chs.X and XI</p> <p>SOLAS ch.IX</p>	<p>01.01.96</p> <p>01.07.98</p> <p>01.07.2002</p>
<p>.14 1994 amendments (MSC.42(64)) (cargo information, loading, stowage and securing)</p>	<p>Ships carrying cargoes required to be secured</p>	<p>SOLAS ch.VI</p>	<p>01.07.96</p>
<p>.15 1995 amendments (MSC.46(65)) (ship's routeing)</p>	<p>Passenger ships; cargo ships</p>	<p>SOLAS ch.V</p>	<p>01.01.97</p>
<p>.16 1995 amendments (1995 SOLAS Conference resolution 1) (subdivision and damage stability, electrical installations, fire protection, life-saving appliances, radiocommunications, safety of navigation, carriage of cargoes)</p>	<p>Passenger ships; cargo ships</p>	<p>SOLAS chs.II-1, II-2, III, IV, V and VI</p>	<p>01.07.97</p>
<p>.17 1996 amendments (MSC.47(66)) (subdivision and stability, life-saving appliances and arrangements, cargo, recognized organizations)</p>	<p>Passenger ships; cargo ships</p>	<p>SOLAS chs.II-1, III, VI and XI</p>	<p>01.07.98</p>
<p>.18 1996 amendments (res. MSC.57(67)) (construction, machinery and electrical installations; fire protection, fire extinction; carriage of dangerous goods)</p>	<p>Passenger ships; cargo ships</p>	<p>SOLAS chs.II-1, II-2 and VII</p>	<p>01.07.98</p>

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	.19 1997 amendments (res. MSC.65(68)) (subdivision and damage stability, vessel traffic services)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS chs.II-1 and V	01.07.99
	.20 1997 amendments (1997 SOLAS Conference resolution 1) (new chapter XII - Additional measures for bulk carriers)	Bulk carriers	SOLAS ch.XII	01.07.99
	.21 1998 amendments (res.MSC.69(69)) (subdivision and stability, radiocommunications, carriage of cargoes, carriage of dangerous goods)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS chs.II-1, IV, VI and VII	01.07.02
2	Protocol of 1978 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, (1978 SOLAS Protocol) as amended, including:	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.I and regs.II-1/1, 2, 29, II-2/1, 3, 55, 60, V/12, 19, 19-1 and 19-2	01.05.81
	.1 1981 amendments (steering gear) (res. MSC.2(XLV))	Tankers	SOLAS chs.II-1, II-2 and V	01.09.84
	.2 1988 amendments (GMDSS) (Conference resolution 1)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS chs.I, II-1, III, IV and V	01.02.92
3	Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (1988 SOLAS Protocol)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	Articles and SOLAS ch.I	Not in force
4	Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972 (COLREGs), as amended, including:	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS chs.II-1, II-2 and VII	15.07.77
	.1 1981 amendments (general) (res. A.464(XII))			01.06.83
	.2 1987 amendments (general) (res. A.626(15))			19.11.89
	.3 1989 amendments (general) (res. A.678(16))			19.04.91
	.4 1993 amendments (general) (res. A.736(18))			04.11.95

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5	International Convention on Load Lines, 1966 (LL), including: .1 1971 amendments (general) (res. A.231(VII)) .2 1975 amendments (article 29) (res. A.319(IX)) .3 1979 amendment (seasonal area) (res. A.411(XI)) .4 1983 amendments (seasonal area) (res. A.513(13)) .5 1995 amendments (seasonal area) (res. A.784(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships		21.07.68 Not in force Not in force Not in force Not in force Not in force
6	Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966 (1988 LL Protocol)	Passenger ships; cargo ships		Not in force
7	International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969 (TM)	All ships		18.07.82
8	Special Trade Passenger Ships Agreement, 1971 (SPS)	Passenger ships		02.01.77
9	Protocol on Space Requirements for Special Trade Passenger Ships, 1973 (SPS Protocol)	Passenger ships		02.06.77
10	Torremolinos Protocol of 1993 relating to the Torremolinos International Convention for the Safety of Fishing Vessels, 1977 (1993 Torremolinos Protocol)	Fishing vessels		Not in force
11	International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, (STCW) as amended, including: .1 1991 amendments (GMDSS and trials) (res. MSC.21(59))	Passenger ships; cargo ships		28.04.84 01.12.92

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.2 1994 amendments (res. MSC.33(63)) (special training requirements for personnel on tankers)	Tankers		01.01.96
.3 1995 amendments (1995 STCW Conference resolution 1)	Passenger ships; cargo ships		01.02.97
.4 1997 amendments (res. MSC.66(68)) (minimum requirements for the training of masters, officers, ratings and other personnel on passenger ships)	Passenger ships		01.01.99
.5 1995 STCW Code (1995 STCW Conference resolution 2) including:	Passenger ships; cargo ships		01.02.97
.1 1997 amendments (res.MSC.67(68)) (minimum requirements for the training of masters, officers, ratings and other personnel on passenger ships)	Passenger ships		01.01.99
12 International Convention on Maritime Search and Rescue, 1979 (SAR), including:	Passenger ships; cargo ships		22.06.85
.1 1998 amendments (MSC.70/69)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SAR	Not in force
13 International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Fishing Vessel Personnel, 1995 (STCW-F)	Fishing vessels		Not in force

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Name of the instrument		Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.49(III)	Recommendations on stability information for ships carrying grain	Certain ships carrying grain in bulk under SOLAS 60	SOLAS 60 ch.VI	10.10.63
A.95(IV)	Weather messages in oceanic areas	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/4	27.9.65
A.113(V)	Revised International Code of Signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/21	25.10.67
A.115(V)	Recommendation on the treatment of spaces on board ships for the separation, clarification or purification, and the carriage of slop oil	Passenger ships; cargo ships	OILPOL 54 (Where applicable)	25.10.67
A.123(V)	Recommendation on fixed fire-extinguishing systems for special cargo space	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/37, 53 and 54	25.10.67
A.130(V)	Recommendation on pilot ladders on fishing vessels and vessels of less than 500 gross tonnage	Fishing vessels	SOLAS reg.V/17	25.10.67
A.156(ES.IV)	Recommendation on the carriage of electronic position-fixing equipment	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	27.11.68

* For resolutions with no specific or mandatory application date, the date of adoption of resolution by the relevant session of the Assembly is indicated.

Notes: 1 Resolutions A.89(IV), A.285(III), A.286(III), A.437(XI), A.438(XI), A.482(XII) A.483(XII), A.537(13), A.624(15), A.703(17), A.770(18) and A.771(18) have been superseded by the 1995 amendments to the 1978 STCW Convention and are revoked.

2 References to regulations in the STCW Convention also constitute a reference to the corresponding section of Part A of the STCW Code.

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A.157(ES.IV) Recommendation on the use and testing of shipborne navigational equipment	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	27.11.68
A.164(ES.IV) Recommendation concerning checking the constancy of the properties of materials	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1960 Conference recommend. 11	28.11.68
A.207(VII) Recommendation for an interim simplified criterion for decked fishing vessels under 300 metres in length	Fishing vessels	1960 Conference recommend. 7	12.10.71
A.208(VII) Recommendation on construction of fishing vessels affecting the vessel's stability and crew safety	Fishing vessels	1960 Conference recommend. 7; 1966 LL Conference recommend. 3	12.10.71
A.212(VII) Code for the construction and equipment of ships carrying dangerous chemicals in bulk (amended by res. MSC.9(53), MSC.15(54), MSC.18(58), MSC.29(61) and MSC.51(66))	Chemical tankers	MARPOL regs.II/12A and 13	12.10.71
A.222(VII) Performance standards for navigational radar equipment (Refer to res. A.477(XII))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	12.10.71 for equipment installed before 1.09.84
A.224(VII) Performance standards for echo-sounding equipment	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	12.10.71
A.229(VII) Merchant Ship Search and Rescue Manual (MERSAR)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	12.10.71
A.264(VII) Amendments to chapter VI of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1960 (revokes res. A.185(VI))	Ships carrying grain in bulk under SOLAS 60	SOLAS 60 ch.VI	20.11.73

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A.265(VIII) Regulations on subdivision and stability of passenger ships as an equivalent to part B of chapter II of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1960	Passenger ships	1960 SOLAS Conference recommend. 6; SOLAS ch.II-1, part B	20.11.73
A.266(VIII) Recommendation on a standard method for establishing compliance with the requirements for cross-flooding arrangements in passenger ships	Passenger ships	1960 SOLAS reg.II/7(e); SOLAS reg.II-1/8.5	20.11.73
A.267(VIII) Code of practice concerning the accuracy of stability information for fishing vessels	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1960 SOLAS Conference recommend. 7	20.11.73
A.268(VIII) Amendments to recommendation on intact stability of fishing vessels, appendix V - Recommended practice on portable fish-hold division	Fishing vessels		20.11.73
A.269(VIII) Recommendation for skippers of fishing vessels on ensuring a vessel's endurance in conditions of ice formation (Refer to res. A.749(17))	Fishing vessels		20.11.73
A.272(VIII) Recommendation on safe access to and working in large tanks, and recommendation on safe access to and working in large cargo holds of bulk carriers (amended by res. A.330(IX) with respect to large water ballast tanks)	Tankers; combination carriers	SOLAS reg.II-1/12-2	20.11.73
A.275(VIII) Recommendation on performance standards for mechanical pilot hoists	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/17	20.11.73
A.278(VIII) Supplement to the recommendation on performance standards for navigational radar equipment (symbols for controls on marine navigational radar equipment)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	20.11.73
A.280(VIII) Recommendation on performance standards for gyro-compasses	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	20.11.73

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A.284(VIII) Routing systems (Annex I is revoked by res. A.378(X))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8; COLREG	20.11.73
A.320(IX) Regulation equivalent to regulation 27 of the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966 (amended by res. A.514(13))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	LL reg.27	12.11.75
A.328(IX) Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk	Gas carriers constructed before 1 July 1986		12.11.75
A.329(IX) Recommendations concerning ships not covered by the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (res. A.328(IX))	Existing gas carriers		12.11.75
A.330(IX) Amendment to the recommendation on safe access to and working in large tanks (Annex I to res. A.272(VIII)) to include large water ballast tanks	Tanker; bulk carriers	SOLAS reg.II-1/12-2	12.11.75
A.334(IX) Recommendation on operational standards for radiotelephone transmitters and receivers	Passenger ships; cargo ships (non-GMDSS ships)	SOLAS ch.IV	12.11.75 until 01.02.99
A.338(IX) Routing systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	12.11.75
A.342(IX) Recommendation on performance standards for automatic pilots	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/19	12.11.75 for equipment installed before 01.01.99
A.343(IX) Recommendation on methods of measuring noise levels at listening posts	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule III/1(c)	12.11.75

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A.373(X) Code of Safety for Dynamically Supported Craft (amended by res. MSC.37(63) (supersedes res. A.126(V), A.170(ES.IV), A.183(VII), A.218(VII) and MSC/Circ.87)	Craft constructed before 1 January 1996	SOLAS ch.X	31.12.79
A.374(X) Routeing systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	14.11.77
A.375(X) Navigation through the Straits of Malacca and Singapore	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	14.11.77
A.378(X) General provisions on ships' routeing (revokes Annex I to res. A.284(VIII))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8; COLREG rules 1(d) and 10	14.11.77
A.380(X) Standard Marine Navigational Vocabulary	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW ch.II	14.11.77
A.382(X) Magnetic compasses: carriage and performance standards (Annex I is incorporated in SOLAS reg.V/12(b))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	14.11.77
A.383(X) Operational standards for radiotelephone watch receivers	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	14.11.77 until 01.02.99
A.384(X) Performance standards for radar reflectors	All ships less than 100 gross tonnage operating in international waters and adjacent coastal areas	SOLAS ch.III; COLREG rule 6(b)(iv)	14.11.77
A.385(X) Operational standards for VHF radiotelephone installations	SOLAS 60 ships (non-GMDSS ships)	SOLAS ch.IV	14.11.77 until 01.02.99

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A.386(X) Application of section 9(b) of Annex 1 to the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG Annex I, section 9(b)	14.11.77
A.414(XI) Code for the Construction and Equipment of Mobile Offshore Drilling Units, 1979 (1979 MODU Code) (amended by MSC/Circ.561)	MODUs constructed before 01.05.91	SOLAS 74; LL 66	15.11.79
A.415(XI) Improved steering gear standards for passenger and cargo ships	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-1/29 and 30	15.11.79
A.416(XI) Examination of steering gears on existing tankers	Tankers	SOLAS regs.II-1/29 and 30	15.11.79
A.421(XI) Operational standards for radiotelephone alarm signal generators	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	15.11.79 until 01.02.99
A.422(XI) Performance standards for automatic radar plotting aids (ARPA) (Refer to res. A.823(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	15.11.79 for equipment installed before 01.01.97
A.424(XI) Performance standards for gyro-compasses	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	15.11.79
A.425(XI) Performance standards for differential Omega correction transmitting stations	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/14	15.11.79
A.426(XI) Arrangements for embarking and disembarking pilots in very large ships (revokes res. A.332(IX))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/17	15.11.79
A.429(XI) Routeing systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	15.11.79

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A.431(XI)	Recommendation concerning vessels restricted in their ability to manoeuvre when engaged in an operation for the maintenance of safety of navigation in a traffic separation scheme	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	15.11.79
A.434(XI)	Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes (BC Code) (revokes res. A.82(IV)) (latest amendment: MSC/Circ.742)	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	15.11.79
A.439(XI)	IMCO Search and Rescue Manual	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	15.11.79
A.441(XI)	Control by the flag State over the owner of a ship	Passenger ships; cargo ships		15.11.79
A.443(XI)	Decisions of the shipmaster with regard to maritime safety and marine environment protection	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/10-1	15.11.79
A.467 (XII)	Guidelines for acceptance of non-duplicated rudder actuators for tankers, chemical tankers and gas carriers of 10,000 tons gross tonnage and above but less than 100,000 tonnes deadweight	Tankers; chemical tankers; gas carriers	SOLAS reg.II-1/29	19.11.81
A.468(XII)	Code on Noise Levels on Board Ships	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-1/36	19.11.81
A.469(XII)	Guidelines for the design and construction of offshore supply vessels (supersedes MSC/Circ.223)	Offshore supply vessels		19.11.81
A.470(XII)	International shore connection (shore side)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/19	19.11.81
A.471(XII)	Recommendation on test method for determining the resistance to flame of supported textiles and films (amended by res.A.563(14)) (Refer to the FTP Code)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/3.23.3	19.11.81

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A.472(XII) Improved recommendation on test method for qualifying marine construction materials as non-combustible (Refer to the FTP Code)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/3	19.11.81
A.473(XII) Interim regulation for inert gas systems on chemical tankers carrying petroleum products	Chemical tankers and gas carriers, constructed before 01.07.86	SOLAS reg.II-2/55.5.2	19.11.81
A.474(XII) Proper use of VHF channels at sea	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	19.11.81
A.476(XII) Navigation through the Straits of Malacca and Singapore	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8; COLREG rules 18(d) & 28	19.11.81
A.477(XII) Performance standards for radar equipment (Refer to res. A.222(VII) and MSC.64(67))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	19.11.81 for equipment installed after 01.09.84 and before 01.01.99
A.478(XII) Performance standards for devices to indicate speed and distance (Refer to res. A.824(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	01.09.84 for equipment installed before 01.01.97
A.479(XII) Performance standards for shipborne receivers for use with differential Omega	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	19.11.81
A.480(XII) Recommendation on the use of adequately qualified deep-sea pilots in the Baltic	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1973 MARPOL Conference resolution 5	19.11.81

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A.481(XII) Principles of safe manning	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/13	19.11.81
A.484(XII) Basic principles to be observed in keeping a navigational watch on board fishing vessels	Fishing vessels	STCW-F reg.IV/1	19.11.81
A.485(XII) Training, qualifications and operational procedures for maritime pilots other than deep-sea pilots	Passenger ships; cargo ships		19.11.81
A.487(XII) Participation in the AMVER system	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1; SAR ch.6	19.11.81
A.488(XII) Use of the Standard Marine Navigational Vocabulary	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/13.3; STCW regs.II/1, II/5.16 and IV/2	19.11.81
A.489(XII) Safe stowage and securing of cargo units and other entities in ships other than cellular containerships	Ships carrying cargo units and other entities	SOLAS ch.VI	19.11.81
A.490(XII) Revision of the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk	Chemical tankers		
A.491(XII) Code of Safety for Nuclear Merchant Ships	Nuclear merchant ships	SOLAS ch.VIII	19.11.81
A.514(13) Amendments to the regulation equivalent to regulation 27 of the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966 (amends res. A.320(IX))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	LL reg.27	17.11.83
A.519 (13) Standards for devices to prevent the passage of flame into cargo tanks (Refer to MSC/Circ.450/Rev.1 and MSC/Circ.677)	Tankers	SOLAS reg.II-2/59.1.5	17.11.83 for equipment installed on or after 01.09.84

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A.520(13)	Code of practice for the evaluation, testing and acceptance of prototype novel life-saving appliances and arrangements	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.III/4	17.11.83
A.524(13)	Performance standards for VHF multiple watch facilities	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14	17.11.83
A.525(13)	Performance standards for narrow-band direct printing telegraph equipment for the reception of navigational and meteorological warnings and urgent information to ships	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14	17.11.83 until 01.02.99
A.526(13)	Performance standards for rate-of-turn indicators (ROTI) (Refer to res. A.281(VIII))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	17.11.83 for equipment installed on or after 01.09.84
A.527(13)	Ships' routing	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	17.11.83
A.528(13)	Recommendation on weather routing	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/4	17.11.83
A.529(13)	Accuracy standards for navigation	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/14	17.11.83
A.530(13)	Use of radar transponders for search and rescue purposes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/15	17.11.83
A.533(13)	Elements to be taken into account when considering the safe stowage and securing of cargo units and vehicles in ships	Ships carrying cargo units and vehicles	SOLAS ch.VI	17.11.83
A.534(13)	Code of Safety for Special Purpose Ships (amended by MSC/Circs.446, 478 and 739)	Special purpose ships		17.11.83
A.535(13)	Recommendation on emergency towing arrangements for tankers (Refer to res. MSC.35(63))	Tankers constructed before 01.01.96		17.11.83

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A.536(13)	Code of Safety for Diving Systems (amended by res. A.583(14) and revoked by res. A.831(19))	Diving systems		17.11.83
A.538(13)	Maritime safety training of personnel on mobile offshore units	MODUs	1995 STCW Conference resolution 10	17.11.83
A.539(13)	Certification of skippers and officers in charge of a navigational watch on fishing vessels of 24 metres in length and over	Fishing vessels	STCW-F regs.II/1 and 2	17.11.83
A.540(13)	Tonnage measurement of certain ships relevant to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.I/15	17.11.83
A.560(14)	Guidelines on surveys required by the 1978 SOLAS Protocol, the International Bulk Chemical Code and the International Gas Carrier Code (supersedes res. A.413(XI) and res. A.465(XII))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.I	20.11.85
A.561(14)	Translation of the text of certificates (Refer to MSC/Circ.704)	Passenger ships; cargo ships		20.11.85
A.563(14)	Amendments to the recommendation on test method for determining the resistance to flame of vertically supported textiles and films (res. A.471(XII)) (Refer to the FTP Code)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/3.23.3	20.11.85
A.565(14)	Recommended procedures to prevent the illegal or accidental use of low flashpoint cargo oil as fuel	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/15.1	20.11.85
A.567(14)	Regulation for inert gas systems on chemical tankers (supersedes res. A.473(XII))	Chemical tankers; gas carriers	SOLAS reg.II-2/55.5	01.02.92
A.568(14)	Use of the COSPAS-SARSAT low polar orbiting satellite EPIRB system	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	20.11.85

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A.570(14)	Type approval of ship earth stations	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/14.1	20.11.85
A.571(14)	Testing of the automatic device for generating the radiotelephone alarm signal	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	20.11.85
A.572(14)	General provisions on ships' routing	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8; COLREG rules 1(d) & 10	20.11.85
A.573(14)	Ships' routing	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	20.11.85
A.576(14)	Standards for skippers and officers in charge of a navigational watch on fishing vessels of less than 24 metres in length operating in unlimited and limited waters	Fishing vessels	SOLAS reg.V/13; FAO/ILO/IMO Document for Guidance on Fishermen's Training and Certification	20.11.85
A.579(14)	Use of pilotage services in the Sound	Tankers; chemical tankers; ships carrying radioactive materials	1973 MARPOL Conference resolution 5	20.11.85
A.581(14)	Guidelines for securing arrangements for the transport of road vehicles on ro-ro ships	Ro-ro ships	SOLAS ch.VI	20.11.85
A.582(14)	Guidelines for the construction and equipment of ships carrying hazardous liquid wastes in bulk for the purpose of dumping at sea	Ships carrying hazardous liquid wastes in bulk constructed on or after 01.05.86		20.11.85
A.600(15)	IMO ship identification number scheme	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.I/12, I/13 and XI/3	01.01.96

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A.601(15) Provision and display of manoeuvring information on board ships (supersedes res. A.209(VII))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-1/28; STCW reg.II/1	19.11.87
A.602(15) Revised guidelines for marine portable fire extinguishers (supersedes res. A.518(13))	Passenger ships, cargo ships; fishing vessels	SOLAS reg.II-2/6; 1993 Torremolinos Protocol reg.V/20	19.11.87
A.606(15) Review and evaluation of the global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	19.11.87
A.609(15) Performance standards for shipborne VHF radio installations capable of voice communication and digital selective calling (Refer to res. A.803(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/14.1	19.11.87 for equipment installed before 23.11.96
A.610(15) Performance standards for shipborne MF radio installations capable of voice communication and digital selective calling (Refer to res. A.804(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/14.1	19.11.87 for equipment installed before 23.11.96
A.612(15) Performance standards for float-free VHF emergency position-indicating radio beacons (Refer to res. A.805(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/14.1	19.11.87 for equipment installed before 23.11.96
A.613(15) Performance standards for shipborne MF/HF radio installations capable of voice communication, narrow-band direct-printing and digital selective calling (Refer to res. A.806(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/14.1	19.11.87 for equipment installed before 23.11.96

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A.620(15)	Navigation through the entrances to the Baltic Sea	All types of ships over 40,000 dwt	1973 MARPOL Conference resolution 5	19.11.87
A.622(15)	Basic principles to be observed in keeping an engineering watch on board fishing vessels	Fishing vessels	FAO/ILO/IMO Document for Guidance on Fishermen's Training and Certification	19.11.87
A.623(15)	Minimum requirements for certification of chief engineer officers and second engineer officers of fishing vessels powered by main propulsion machinery of 750 kW propulsion power or more	Fishing vessels	STCW-F reg.II/5	19.11.87
A.649(16)	Code for the Construction and Equipment of Mobile Offshore Drilling Units (MODU), 1989 (amended by MSC/Circ.561) (supersedes res. A.414(XI))	MODUs constructed on or after 01.05.91		01.05.91
A.650(16)	An example of alternative intact stability criteria for twin-pontoon column-stabilized semisubmersible units (Refer to the 1989 MODU Code (res. A.649(16)))	MODUs		19.10.89
A.651(16)	An example of alternative stability criteria for a range of positive stability after damage or flooding for column-stabilized semisubmersible units (Refer to the 1989 MODU Code (res. A.649(16)))	MODUs		19.10.89
A.652(16)	Recommendation on fire test procedures for upholstered furniture (Refer to the FTP Code)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs. II-2/3.23.6 and 34.5	19.10.89

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.653(16) Recommendation on improved fire test procedures for surface flammability of bulkhead, ceiling and deck finish materials (amended by res. MSC.61(67)) (supersedes res. A.516(13) and A.564(14)) (Refer to the FTP Code)	Passenger ships; cargo ships, fishing vessels	SOLAS regs. II-2/3.8, 34.3, and 49; 1993 Torremolinos Protocol regs.V/11 and 31	19.10.89
A.654(16) Graphical symbols for fire control plans	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/20	19.10.89
A.655(16) Use of halons as fire-extinguishing media on board ships	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/5	19.10.89
A.656(16) Fast rescue boats	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98 Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS regs.III/24-1.3, 41 and 47 SOLAS reg.III/26.3; LSA Code paragraphs. 4.4 and 5.1	19.10.89
A.657(16) Instructions for action in survival craft (revokes res. A.181(VI) and A.216(VII))	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98 Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS regs. III/38.5.1.22, 38.5.1.23, 41.8.4 and 51.15 SOLAS reg.III/35.15; LSA Code paragraphs 4.1.22, 4.1.23 and 4.4.4	19.10.89

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A.658(16) Use and fitting of retro-reflective materials on life-saving appliances (revokes res. A.274(VIII))	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98 Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS reg.III/30.2.7 LSA Code paragraphs 1.2.7	19.10.89
A.661(16) Performance standards for float-free satellite emergency position-indicating radio beacons operating through the geostationary INMARSAT satellite system on 1.6 Ghz (Refer to res. A.812(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	19.10.89 for equipment installed before 23.11.96
A.662(16) Performance standards for float-free release and activation arrangements for emergency radio equipment	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	19.10.89
A.663(16) Performance standards for INMARSAT standards ship earth stations capable of transmitting and receiving direct-printing communications (Refer to res. A.807(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	19.10.89 for equipment installed before 23.11.96
A.664(16) Performance standards for enhanced group call equipment	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	19.10.89
A.665(16) Performance standards for radio direction-finding systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/12	19.10.89
A.667(16) Pilot transfer arrangements	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/17	19.10.89
A.668(16) Use of pilotage services in the Euro-Channel and Ij-Channel	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1973 MARPOL Conference resolution 5	19.10.89
A.669(16) Ships' routing	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	19.10.89

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.671(16) Safety zones and safety of navigation around offshore installations and structures	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS chs.IV and V	19.10.89
A.672(16) Guidelines and standards for the removal of offshore installations and structures on the continental shelf and in the exclusive economic zone	Offshore installations and structures		19.10.89
A.673(16) Guidelines for the transport and handling of limited amounts of hazardous and noxious liquid substances in bulk in offshore support vessels	Offshore support vessels	MARPOL reg.II/13(4)	19.10.89
A.684(17) Explanatory notes to the SOLAS regulations on subdivision and damage stability of cargo ships of 100 metres in length and over (Refer to res. MSC.76(69))	Cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-1/25-1 to 25-10	01.02.92
A.686(17) Code on Alarms and Indicators, 1991 (amended by res. MSC.39(63); revoked by res. A.830(19))	Passenger ships and cargo ships constructed before 01.07.96	Relevant requirements of SOLAS; IBC, BCH, IGC, Gas Carrier Codes	06.11.91
A.687(17) Fire test procedures for ignitability of primary deck coverings (revokes res. A.214(VII)) (amended by res. MSC.61(67)) (Refer to the FTP Code)	Passenger ships; cargo ships; fishing vessels	SOLAS regs. II-2/34.5 and 49; 1993 Torremolinos Protocol regs.V/11 and 31	06.11.91
A.688(17) Fire test procedures for ignitability of bedding components (Refer to the FTP Code)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	06.11.91
A.689(17) Testing of life-saving appliances (amended by res. MSC.54(66), MSC/Circ.596 and MSC/Circ.615) (revokes res. A.521(13))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.III/4	06.11.91

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.690(17) Periodical inspections of abandon ship and fire drills on passenger ships (revokes res. A.125(V))	Passenger ships constructed before 01.07.98 Passenger ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS regs.III/18.3 and 25 SOLAS regs.III/19.3 and 30	06.11.91
A.691(17) Safety instructions to passengers	Passenger ships constructed before 01.07.98 Passenger ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS regs. III/8.2, 8.4, 18.3.2, 18.3.3 and 18.3.4 SOLAS regs. III/8.2, 8.4, 19.2.2, 19.2.3, 19.3.3.1	06.11.91
A.692(17) Guidelines and specifications for hyperbaric evacuation systems	Diving systems	Code of Safety for Diving Systems ch.III	06.11.91
A.694(17) General requirements for shipborne radio equipment forming part of the global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS) and for electronic navigational aids (revokes res.A.569(14) and 574(14))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.IV/14.1 and V/12(r)	06.11.91
A.696(17) Type approval of satellite emergency position-indicating radio beacons (EPIRBs) operating in the COSPAS-SARSAT system	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	06.11.91
A.698(17) Performance standards for ship earth stations capable of two-way communications (revokes res. A.608(15)) (Refer to res. A.808(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	06.11.91 for equipment installed before 23.11.96

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A.700(17) Performance standards for narrow-band direct-printing telegraph equipment for the reception of navigational and meteorological warnings and urgent information to ships (MS) by HF (Refer to res. A.420(XI), A.525(13) and A.613(15))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	06.11.91
A.701(17) Carriage of Inmarsat enhanced group call SafetyNET receivers under the global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.IV/14.1 and V/20	06.11.91
A.702(17) Radio maintenance guidelines for the global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS) related to sea areas A3 and A4	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/15.7	06.11.91
A.707(17) Charges for distress, urgency and safety messages through the Inmarsat system (revokes res. A.523(13))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 2; 1988 GMDSS Conference resolution 6	06.11.91
A.708(17) Navigation bridge visibility and functions	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	06.11.91
A.710(17) Use of pilotage services in the Torres Strait and the Great North East Channel (revokes res. A.619(15))	Ships of 70 m and over; oil tankers; chemical tankers; gas carriers	SOLAS reg.V/8	06.11.91
A.711(17) Ships' routing	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	06.11.91
A.712(17) Recommended standards of specialized training, qualification and certification of key personnel assigned responsibility for essential marine functions on mobile offshore units (MOU)	MOUs	1995 STCW Conference resolution 10	06.11.91

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A.713(17)	Safety of ships carrying solid bulk cargoes (Refer to res. A.434(XI) and res. MSC.22(59))	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	06.11.91
A.714(17)	Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing (amended by MSC/Circs.664, 691, 740 and 812) (revokes res. A.288(VII) and MSC/Circ.530)	Ships carrying cargoes other than solid and liquid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	06.11.91
A.715(17)	Code of Practice for Ships Carrying Timber Deck Cargoes (revokes res. A.287(VII))	Ships carrying timber deck cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	06.11.91
A.716(17)	The International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code (amended by MSC/Circ.659, MSC/Circ.741 and MSC/Circ.856) (revokes res. A.81(IV), A.120(V), A.230(VII), A.299(VIII), A.345(IX) and A.435(XI))	Ships carrying dangerous goods in packaged form	SOLAS ch.VII	06.11.91
A.718(17)	Early implementation of the harmonized system of survey and certification (amended by res. A.745(18))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1988 SOLAS Protocol ch.I; 1988 LL Protocol Annex A arts.13, 14,16,17, 18, and 19	As determined in operative paragraphs 1 and 2 of res. A.718(17)
A.739(18)	Guidelines for the authorization of organizations acting on behalf of the Administration	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs. I/6, XI/1; LL art. 13; MARPOL regs.II/4 and 10; TM art.6	04.11.93

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A.740(18) Interim guidelines to assist flag States	Passenger ships; cargo ships	Applicable provisions in SOLAS, MARPOL, LL, STCW	04.11.93
A.741(18) International Management Code for the Safe Operation of Ships and for Pollution Prevention (International Safety Management (ISM) Code)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IX	04.11.93
A.743(18) Oil tanker safety and marine environmental protection	Oil tankers	MARPOL regs.I/13F and 13G; OPRC Convention	04.11.93
A.744(18) Guidelines on the enhanced programme of inspections during surveys of bulk carriers and oil tankers (amended by res. MSC.49(66) and resolution 2 of the 1997 SOLAS Conference) (Refer to MSC/Circ.696)	Bulk carriers; oil tankers	SOLAS reg.XI/2; MARPOL regs.I/13F and 13G	04.11.93 mandatory application to ships constructed on or after 01.01.96
A.745(18) Early implementation of the harmonized system of survey and certification (amends res. A.718(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1988 SOLAS Protocol ch.I; 1988 LL Protocol Annex A arts.13, 14,16,17, 18, and 19	As determined in operative paragraphs 1 and 2 of res. A.718(17)

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A.746(18) Survey guidelines under the harmonized system of survey and certification (revokes res. A.466(XII), MEPC.11(18), MEPC.5(23) with regard to HSSC)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1988 SOLAS Protocol; 1988 LL Protocol; res. MSC.16(58), MSC.17(58) MSC.18(58) MEPC.40(29) and MEPC.41(29)	As determined in operative paragraphs 1 and 2 of res. A.718(17)
A.747(18) Application of tonnage measurement of segregated ballast tanks in oil tankers (revokes res. A.722(17)) (Refer to MSC/Circ.792)	Oil tankers	MARPOL regs.I/1(17) and 13; TM regs.3 and 6	04.11.93
A.748(18) Code for the Safe Carriage of Irradiated Nuclear Fuel, Plutonium and High-Level Radioactive Wastes in Flasks on Board Ships	Ships carrying INF	SOLAS ch.VII; IMDG Code; par. 17.22 of Agenda 21 of UNCED	04.11.93
A.749(18) Code on Intact Stability for All Types of Ships Covered by IMO Instruments (amended by res. MSC.75(69)) (supersedes res.A.167(ES.IV), A.168(ES.IV), A.206(VII) and A.562(14))	Passenger ships; cargo ships carrying timber deck cargoes; and grain in bulk; fishing vessels; special purpose ships; offshore supply vessels; MODUs; pontoons; dynamically supported craft; containerships	SOLAS reg.II-1/22 and ch.VI; LL regs.10, 24(5) 42(1), 44; 1988 LL Protocol regs.10, 44; 1993 Torremolinos Protocol regs.III/2, 7, 8, 10 and II/14	04.11.93 (14.05.98 for amend.)

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A.751(18) Interim standards for ship manoeuvrability (Refer to res. A.160(ES.IV), A.209(VII), A.601(15) and MSC/Circ.389) (For explanatory notes to these Interim standards, refer to MSC/Circ.644)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS (not the HSC Code)	04.11.93 01.10.94
A.752(18) Guidelines for the evaluation, testing and application of low-location lighting on passenger ships (Refer to res. MSC.24(60) and MSC.27(61))	Passenger ships >36 pass., construct. before 01.10.94	SOLAS regs. II-2/28.1.10 and II-1/ 41-2.4.7	04.11.93
A.753(18) Guidelines for the application of plastic pipes on ships	Passenger ships; cargo ships; fishing vessels	SOLAS ch.II-2; 1993 Torremolinos Protocol ch.V	04.11.93
A.754(18) Recommendation on fire resistance tests for "A", "B" and "F" class divisions (amended by res. MSC.61(67)) (revokes res. A.517(13) which superseded res. A.163(ES.IV) and A.215(VII)) (Refer to the FTP Code)	Passenger ships; cargo ships; fishing vessels	SOLAS regs. II-2/3.3, 3.4, and 31; 1993 Torremolinos Protocol reg.V/2	04.11.93
A.756(18) Guidelines on the information to be provided with fire control plans and booklets	Passenger ships >36 pass., constructed before 01.10.94	SOLAS regs. II-2/20 and 41-2	04.11.93 01.10.94
A.757(18) Standards for the calculation of the width of stairways forming means of escape on passenger ships	Passenger ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/28.1.5	04.11.93 01.10.94
A.758(18) Application of recommendation 2 of the International Conference on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969	Passenger ships; cargo ships	TM art.3(2)(d)	04.11.93

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A.759(18) Marking of inflatable liferafts	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98	SOLAS regs.III/40.7.3 and 40.8	04.11.93
A.760(18) Symbols related to life-saving appliances and arrangements (revokes res. A.603(15))	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	LSA Code paragraphs 4.2.6.3 and 4.2.7	04.11.93
A.761(18) Recommendation on conditions for the approval of servicing stations for inflatable liferafts (amended by res. MSC.55(66)) (revokes res. A.693(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98	SOLAS reg.III/19.8	04.11.93
A.762(18) Performance standards for survival craft two-way VHF radiotelephone apparatus (Refer to res. A.809(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS regs.III/19.8.1, 19.8.3.3 and 19.8.4	04.11.93 for equipment installed before 23.11.96
A.763(18) Performance standards for float-free satellite emergency position-indicating radio beacons (EPIRBs) operating on 406 MHz (revokes res. A.695(17)) (Refer to res. A.810(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	04.11.94 for equipment installed before 04.11.94 or before 23.11.96, where applicable

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A.765(18)	Guidelines on the safety of towed ships and other floating objects, including installations, structures and platforms at sea	All ships and floating structures under tow	SOLAS ch.V	04.11.93
A.766(18)	Navigation in the Strait of Bonifacio (revokes res. A.670(16))	Tankers; ships carrying dangerous chemicals or substances in bulk	1973 MARPOL Conference resolution 5	04.11.93
A.767(18)	Amended traffic separation scheme "Off Finisterre"	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	04.11.93
A.768(18)	Ships' routing	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	04.11.93
A.772(18)	Fatigue factors in manning and safety	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.VIII/1	04.11.93
A.787(19)	Procedures for port State control (revokes res. A.466(XII), A.542(13), A.597(15), MEPC.26(23) and A.742(18))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.I/19, XI/4; LL art.21; MARPOL Annex I arts.5, 6, 8A; MARPOL regs.II/15, III/8, V/8; STCW art.X; TM art.12	23.11.95
A.788(19)	Guidelines on implementation of the International Safety Management (ISM) Code by Administrations	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IX	23.11.95
A.789(19)	Specifications on the survey and certification functions of recognized organizations acting on behalf of the Administration	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.I/6; MARPOL regs.I/4, II/10	23.11.95

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A.791(19) Application of the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969, to existing ships	All ships	TM art. 3(2)(d)	23.11.95
A.792(19) Safety culture in and around passenger ships	Passenger ships	SOLAS reg.IX/13; STCW reg.VI/1	23.11.95
A.793(19) Strength and securing and locking arrangements of shell doors on ro-ro passenger ships	Ro-ro passenger ships	SOLAS regs. II-1/20-1 and 20-3	23.11.95
A.794(19) Surveys and inspections of ro-ro passenger ships	Ro-ro passenger ships	SOLAS ch.I part B	23.11.95
A.795(19) Navigational guidance and information scheme for ro-ro ferry operations	Ro-ro passenger ships	SOLAS ch.V	23.11.95
A.796(19) Recommendations on a decision-support system for masters on passenger ships	Passenger ships; constructed before 01.07.98	SOLAS reg.III/24-4	23.11.95
	Passenger ships; constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS reg.III/29	
A.797(19) Safety of ships carrying solid bulk cargoes (Refer to res. A.713(17), A.744(18), A.787(19), MSC/Circ.690)	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	23.11.95
A.798(19) Guidelines for the selection, application and maintenance of corrosion prevention systems of dedicated seawater ballast tanks (Refer to res. A.713(17) and A.744(18))	Oil tankers; bulk carriers	SOLAS reg.II-1/14-1	23.11.95
A.799(19) Revised recommendation on test methods for qualifying marine construction materials as non-combustible (revokes res. A.472(XII) which superseded res. A.270(VIII)) (amended by res. MSC.61(67))	Passenger ships; cargo ships; fishing vessels	SOLAS reg.II-2/3.1; 1993 Torremolinos Protocol reg.V/2	23.11.95

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.800(19) Revised guidelines for approval of sprinkler systems equivalent to that referred to in SOLAS reg.II-2/12 (revokes res. A.755(18))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/12, 36 and 41-2.5	23.11.95
A.802(19) Performance standards for survival craft radar transponders for use in search and rescue operations (revokes res. 697(17)) (Refer to res. A.694(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.III/6.2.2 and IV/7.1.3	23.11.95
A.803(19) Performance standards for shipborne VHF radio installations capable of voice communication and digital selective calling (Refer to res. A.609(15) and A.694(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	23.11.95 for equipment installed on or after 23.11.96
A.804(19) Performance standards for shipborne MF radio installations capable of voice communication and digital selective calling (Refer to res. A.610(15) and A.694(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	23.11.95 for equipment installed on or after 23.11.96
A.805(19) Performance standards for float-free VHF emergency position-indicating beacons (Refer to res. A.612(15) and A.694(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	23.11.95 for equipment installed on or after 23.11.96
A.806(19) Performance standards for shipborne MF/HF radio installations capable of voice communication, narrow-band direct-printing and digital selective calling (Refer to res. A.613(15) and A.694(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	23.11.95 for equipment installed on or after 23.11.96

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.807(19) Performance standards for Inmarsat-C ship earth stations capable of transmitting and receiving direct-printing communications (Refer to res. A.663(15) and A.694(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	23.11.95 for equipment installed on or after 23.11.96
A.808(19) Performance standards for ship earth stations capable of two-way communications (Refer to res. A.694(17) and A.698(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	23.11.95 for equipment installed on or after 23.11.96
A.809(19) Performance standards for survival craft two-way VHF radiotelephone apparatus (Refer to res. A.694(17) and A.762(18))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.III/6.2.1	23.11.95 for equipment installed on or after 23.11.96
A.810(19) Performance standards for float-free satellite emergency position-indicating radio beacons (EPIRBs) operating on 406 Mhz (Refer to A.694(17) and A.763(18))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.IV/7.1.6 and 14.1	23.11.95 for equipment installed on or after 23.11.96
A.811(19) Performance standards for a shipborne integrated radiocommunication system (IRCS) when used in the GMDSS (Refer to A.694(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.IV/4, 6 and 14	23.11.95
A.812(19) Performance standards for float-free satellite emergency position-indicating radio beacons operating through the geostationary Inmarsat satellite system on 1.6 Ghz (Refer to res. A.661(16), A.662(16) and A.694(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.IV/7.1.6 and 14.1	23.11.95 for equipment installed on or after 23.11.96

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.813(19) General requirements for electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) for all electrical and electronic ship's equipment (Refer to res.A.694(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS chs.IV and V	23.11.95
A.814(19) Guidelines for the avoidance of false distress alerts	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	23.11.95
A.816(19) Performance standards for shipborne DECCA navigator receivers	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	23.11.95
A.817(19) Performance standards for electronic chart display and information systems (ECDIS)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/20	23.11.95
A.818(19) Performance standards for shipborne LORAN-C and CHAYKA receivers	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	23.11.95
A.819(19) Performance standards for shipborne global positioning system (GPS) receiver equipment	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	23.11.95
A.820(19) Performance standards for navigational radar equipment for high-speed craft	High-speed craft	SOLAS reg.X/3; HSC Code	23.11.95
A.821(19) Performance standards for gyro-compass for high-speed craft (Refer to res. A.694(17))	High-speed craft	SOLAS reg.X/3; HSC Code	23.11.95
A.822(19) Performance standards for automatic steering aids (automatic pilots) for high-speed craft (Refer to res. A.694(17))	High-speed craft	SOLAS reg.X/3; HSC Code	23.11.95
A.823(19) Performance standards for automatic radar plotting aids (ARPAs) (Refer to res. A.422(XI), A.477(XII) and A.694(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	23.11.95 for equipment installed on or after 01.01.97

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.824(19) Performance standards for devices to indicate speed and distance (Refer to res. A.478(XII) and A.694(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	23.11.95 for equipment installed on or after 01.01.97
A.827(19) Ships' routing (amended by res. MSC.64 (67))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	23.11.95 01.01.99
A.828(19) Recommendations on maritime safety and emergency preparedness training for all personnel working on MOUs	Mobile offshore units (MOUs)	1995 STCW Conference resolution 10	23.11.95
A.829(19) Guidelines for the evaluation of the adequacy of type C tank vent systems	Gas carriers constructed on or after 01.07.86	SOLAS reg.VII/11	01.07.86
A.830(19) Code on Alarms and Indicators, 1995 (revokes res. A.686(17) and res. MSC.39(63))	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.96	SOLAS; MARPOL; IBC, BCH, IGC, GC, HSC, 1989 MODU, Nuclear Merchant Ships, Diving and IMDG Codes; 1993 Torremolinos Protocol; Guidelines for IGS; Standards for VEC.	23.11.95
A.831(19) Code of Safety for Diving Systems, 1995 (revokes res. A.536(13) and A.583(14))	Diving systems constructed on or after 23.11.95		23.11.95

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.848(20) Implementation of the International Safety Management (ISM) Code	<p>Passenger ships including passenger high-speed craft, oil tankers, chemical tankers, gas carriers, bulk carriers and cargo high-speed craft, regardless of their date of construction</p> <p>Other general cargo ships and mobile offshore drilling units</p>	<p>UNCLOS art.217; SOLAS ch.IX</p> <p>UNCLOS art.217; SOLAS ch.IX</p>	<p>01.07.98</p> <p>01.07.2002</p>
A.849(20) Code for the Investigation of Marine Casualties and Incidents (revokes res. A.173(ES.IV), A.440(XI) and A.637(16))	All ships	UNCLOS arts. 2 and 94; SOLAS reg.I/21; LL art.23; MARPOL art.12	27.11.97
A.851(20) General principles for ship reporting requirements, including guidelines for reporting incidents involving dangerous goods, harmful substances and/or marine pollutants (revokes res. A.648(16))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	27.11.97
A.852(20) Guidelines for a structure of an integrated system of contingency planning for shipboard emergencies	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.XI ISM Code	27.11.97
A.853(20) Amendments to the Code for the Safe Carriage of Irradiated Nuclear Fuel, Plutonium and High-Level Radioactive Wastes in Flasks on Board Ships	Ships carrying INF cargoes	SOLAS ch.VII; IMDG Code; par. 17.22 of Agenda 21 of UNCED	27.11.97

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	Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.854(20)	Guidelines for developing shipboard emergency plans for ships carrying materials subject to the INF Code	Ships carrying INF cargoes	SOLAS ch.VII; IMDG Code; par. 17.22 of Agenda 21 of UNCED	27.11.97
A.855(20)	Standards for on-board helicopter facilities	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/18.8	27.11.97
A.857(20)	Guidelines for vessel traffic services (revokes res. A.578(14)) (Refer to res. A.158(ES.IV, A.851(20) and MSC.43(64))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	27.11.97
A.858(20)	Procedure for the adoption and amendment of traffic separation schemes, routing measures other than traffic separation schemes, including designation and substitution of archipelagic sea lanes, and ship reporting systems (revokes res. A.376(X), A.377(X) and A.826(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.V/8 and V/8-1	27.11.97
A.859(20)	Ships' routing	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	27.11.97
A.860(20)	Maritime policy for a future global navigation satellite system (GNSS) (Refer to res. A.529(13) and A.815(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	27.11.97
A.861(20)	Performance standards for shipborne voyage data recorders (VDRs)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1995 SOLAS Conference resolution 12	27.11.97
A.862(20)	Code of practice for the safe loading and unloading of bulk carriers (revokes MSC/Circ.690 and DSC/Circ.3) (Refer to res. A.713(17) and A.797(19))	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS reg.VI/7	27.11.97
A.863(20)	Code of safe practice for the carriage of cargoes and persons by offshore supply vessels (OSV Code)	Offshore supply vessels	SOLAS chs.VI and XI; ISM Code	27.11.97

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.864(20) Recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships (supersedes MSC/Circ.487 and MSC/Circ.744) (Refer to MSC/Circ.612, as amended by MSC/Circ.689 and MSC/Circ.746))	Passenger ships and cargo ships	SOLAS ch.VI; BC Code	27.11.97
A.865(20) Minimum training requirements for personnel nominated to assist passengers in emergency situations on passenger ships (revokes res. A.770(18))	Passenger ships	SOLAS reg.III/10.2; STCW regs.VI/1, VI/2, VI/3 and VI/4; STCW 95 regs.V/2 and V/3	27.11.97
A.866(20) Guidance to ships' crews and terminal personnel for bulk carrier inspections	Bulk carriers	SOLAS reg.XI/2	27.11.97
A.867(20) Combating unsafe practices associated with the trafficking or transport of migrant by sea (Refer to res. A.773(18))		UNCLOS; FAL	27.11.97
A.868(20) Guidelines for the control and management of ships' ballast water to minimize the transfer of harmful aquatic organisms and pathogens (revokes res. A.774(18)) (Refer to MSC/Circ.806, MEPC/Circ.288 and MEPC/Circ.329)	All ships	Agenda 21 of UNCED, 1992; Convention on Biological Diversity, 1992	27.11.97
A.871(20) Guidelines on the allocation of responsibilities to seek the successful resolution of stowaway cases	All ships	International Convention Relating to Stowaways, 1957; FAL	27.11.97

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
A.872(20) Guidelines for the prevention and suppression of the smuggling of drugs, psychotropic substances and precursor chemicals on ships engaged in international maritime traffic (revokes FAL.5/Circ.1/Rev.1)	Ships engaged in international maritime traffic	United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic substances, 1988; FAL	27.11.97

INSTRUMENTS BY JOINT MEETINGS

Name of the instrument		Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
FAO/ILO/ IMO	Code of Safety for Fishermen and Fishing Vessels, Parts A and B	Fishing vessels		09.68 (part A); 02.74 (part B)
FAO/ILO/ IMO	Document for Guidance on Fishermen's Training and Certification	Fishing vessels		1988
FAO/ILO/ IMO	Voluntary guidelines for the design, construction and equipment of small fishing vessels	Fishing vessels		10.79
IMO/IAEA	Safety recommendations on the use of ports by nuclear merchant ships	Nuclear ships		10.79

MSC RESOLUTIONS*

Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date**
MSC.4(48) Adoption of the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code) (amended by res. MSC.10(54), MSC.14(57), MSC.16(58), MSC.28(61), MSC.50(66) and MSC.58(67))	Chemical tankers	SOLAS reg.VII/8; MARPOL reg.II/12A	01.07.86
MSC.5(48) Adoption of the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code) (amended by res. MSC.17(58), MSC.30(61) and MSC.59(67))	Gas carriers	SOLAS reg.VII/11	01.07.86
MSC.7(48) Recommendations on chemical tankers and gas carriers constructed before 1 July 1986	Chemical tankers; gas carriers	SOLAS ch.VII; MARPOL Annex II	17.06.83
MSC.8(48) Recommendations concerning fire safety requirements additional to those contained in chapter II-2 of the 1981 SOLAS amendments	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	01.09.84
MSC.9(53) Adoption of the revised Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH Code)	Chemical tankers	MARPOL reg.II/12A	17.09.86 (06.04.87 under MARPOL)
MSC.10(54) Amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code)	Chemical tankers	SOLAS reg.VII/8; MARPOL reg.II/12A	30.10.88

* This section does not include MSC resolutions listed in the section "Conventions" above.

** Date of application as indicated in the MSC resolution, otherwise the date of adoption of the resolution is given.

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date**
MSC.14(57) Amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code)	Chemical tankers	SOLAS reg.VII/8; MARPOL reg.II/12A	13.10.90
MSC.15(57) Amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH Code)	Chemical tankers	MARPOL reg.II/12A	13.10.90
MSC.16(58) Amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code) (Harmonized system of survey and certification)	Chemical tankers	SOLAS reg.VII/13; MARPOL reg.II/12A	Not in force yet. May be applied by parties to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol (Refer to res. A.718(17))
MSC.17(58) Amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code) (Harmonized system of survey and certification)	Gas carriers	SOLAS reg.VII/13	Not in force yet. May be applied by parties to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol (Refer to res. A.718(17))
MSC.18(58) Amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH Code) (Harmonized system survey and certification)	Chemical tankers	MARPOL reg.II/12A	Not in force yet. May be applied by parties to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol (Refer to res. A.718(17))
MSC.23(59) Adoption of the International Code for the Safe Carriage of Grain in Bulk	Ships carrying grain in bulk	SOLAS ch.VI	01.01.94

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MSC.25(60) Amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (Harmonized system of survey and certification)	Gas carriers	1978 MARPOL Conference Resolution 16	Amendts. shall become effective on the same date as res. MSC.17(58) May be applied by parties to the 1988 SOLAS Protocol (Refer to res. A.718(17))
MSC.28(61) Amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code)	Chemical tankers	SOLAS reg.VII/8; MARPOL reg.II/12A	01.07.94
MSC.29(61) Amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH Code)	Chemical tankers	MARPOL reg.II/12A	01.07.94
MSC.30(61) Amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code)	Gas carriers	SOLAS reg.VII/11	01.07.94
MSC.32(63) Amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code)	Gas carriers	SOLAS reg.VII/11	01.07.98
MSC.34(63) Amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (GC Code)	Gas carriers		01.07.98

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date**
MSC.35(63) Guidelines for emergency towing arrangements on tankers (Supersedes res.A.535(13))	Tankers	SOLAS reg.V/15-1	20.05.94
MSC.36(63) International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft (HSC Code)	High-speed craft	SOLAS ch.X	01.01.96
MSC.37(63) Amendments to the Code of Safety for Dynamically Supported Craft (res. A.373(X))	Dynamically supported craft constructed before 01.01.96		20.05.94
MSC.38(63) Amendments to the 1989 Code for the Construction and Equipment of Mobile Offshore Drilling Units (MODU Code) (res. A.649(16))	MODUs		19.05.94; HSSC amendments: date of entry into force of 1988 Protocols; MODUs with DPS and helicopter facilities: 01.07.94
MSC.39(63) Amendments to the Code on Alarms and Indicators (res. A.686(17))	Ships and MODUs and diving systems	SOLAS; IBC, BCH, IGC, Gas Carrier, MODU, Diving Systems Codes	19.05.94
MSC.40(64) Standard for qualifying marine materials for high-speed craft as fire-restricting materials	High-speed craft	SOLAS reg.X/3	01.01.96
MSC.41(64) Interim standard for measuring smoke and toxic products of combustion	High-speed craft	SOLAS reg.X/3	01.01.96
MSC.43(64) Guidelines for criteria for ship reporting systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	01.01.96

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MSC.44(65)	High-speed craft	SOLAS reg.X/3	01.01.96
MSC.45(65)	High-speed craft	SOLAS reg.X/3	01.01.96
MSC.48(66)	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS ch.III	01.07.98
MSC.49(66)	Bulk carriers; oil tankers	SOLAS reg.XI/2	01.07.98
MSC.50(66)	Chemical tankers	SOLAS reg.VII/8; MARPOL reg.II/12A	01.07.98
MSC.51(66)	Chemical tankers	MARPOL reg.II/12A	01.07.98
MSC.52(66)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	30.05.96
MSC.53(66)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	30.05.96
MSC.54(66)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.III/4	30.05.96

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date**
MSC.55(66) Adoption of amendments to the recommendation on conditions for approval of servicing stations for inflatable liferafts (res. A.761(18))	Passenger ships; constructed before 01.07.98 Passenger ships; constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS reg. III/19.8 SOLAS reg.III/20.8	30.05.96
MSC.56(66) Adoption of amendments to performance standards for float-free satellite EPIRBs operating on 406 MHz (res. A.810(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14.1	30.05.96 for equipment installed on or after 23.11.96
MSC.58(67) Adoption of amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code)	Chemical tankers	SOLAS reg.VII/8; MARPOL reg.II/12A	01.07.98
MSC.59(67) Adoption of amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code)	Gas carriers	SOLAS reg.VII/11	01.07.98
MSC.60(67) Adoption of amendments to the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (GC Code)	Gas carriers		01.07.98
MSC.61(67) Adoption of International Code for Application of Fire Test Procedures	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	01.07.98
MSC.62(67) Guidelines for safe access to tanker bows	Tankers	SOLAS reg.II-1/3-3	05.12.96 mandatory from 01.07.98
MSC.63(67) Mandatory ship reporting systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	03.12.96

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date**
MSC.64(67) Recommendations on new and amended performance standards for integrated bridge systems (IBS) (annex 1), for shipborne DGPS and DGLONASS maritime radio beacon receiver equipment (annex 2), for heading control systems (annex 3), for radar equipment (annex 4) (Refer to res. A.477(XII)), for back-up requirements (annex 5)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	For equipment installed on or after 01.01.99
MSC.68(68) Adoption of amendments to performance standards for shipborne radiocommunication equipment (amends res. A.803(19), A.804(19), A.806(19) and A.807(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14	01.01.2000
MSC.71(69) Adoption of amendments to General Provisions for Ships' Routing (res. A.572(14), as amended)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	19.05.98
MSC.72(69) Adoption, designation and substitution of archipelagic sea lanes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	
MSC.73(69) Mandatory ship reporting systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1 and MSC.43(64)	01.12.98
MSC.74(69) Recommendations on new and amended performance standards	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	01.01.2000 and 01.01.2001

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date**
<p>MSC.75(69) Adoption of amendments to the Code on Intact Stability for all Types of Ships Covered by IMO Instruments (res. A.749(18))</p>	<p>Passenger ships; cargo ships carrying timber deck cargoes; and grain in bulk; fishing vessels; special purpose ships; offshore supply vessels; MODUs; pontoons; dynamically supported craft; containerships</p>	<p>SOLAS reg.II-1/22 and ch.VI; LL regs.10, 24(5) 42(1), 44; 1988 LL Protocol regs.10, 44; 1993 Torremolinos Protocol regs.III/2,7,8, 10 and II/14</p>	<p>14.05.98</p>
<p>MSC.76(69) Extended application of the Explanatory Notes to the SOLAS regulations on subdivision and damage stability of cargo ships of 100 metres in length and over (res. A.684(17))</p>	<p>Cargo ships</p>	<p>SOLAS regs.II-1/25-1 to 25-10</p>	<p>01.07.98</p>
<p>MSC.77(69) Maintenance of a continuous listening watch on VHF channel 16 by SOLAS ship whilst at sea after 1 February 1999 and installation of VHF DSC facilities on non-SOLAS ships</p>	<p>Passenger ships; cargo ships</p>	<p>SOLAS reg.IV/12.3</p>	<p>01.02.99</p>

MSC CIRCULARS

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MSC/Circ.2	Consumption of sea-water by shipwrecked mariners	Passenger ships; cargo ships		03.12.59
MSC/Circ.7	Consumption of sea-water by shipwrecked mariners	Passenger ships; cargo ships		23.05.61
MSC/Circ.10	Order on the safety of navigation in Greenland waters	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	12.03.62
MSC/Circ.118	Marine traffic regulations within the St. Lawrence Waterway	Ships of 25 feet in length or more other than pleasure yachts	SOLAS ch.V	17.11.71
MSC/Circ.153	Regulation on subdivision and damage stability of passenger ships as equivalent to part B of chapter II of the 1960 SOLAS Convention (res. A.265(VIII))	Passenger ships	SOLAS 60 ch.II part B; SOLAS ch.II-1 part B	28.11.73
MSC/Circ.237	IMCO Search and Rescue Manual (IMOSAR)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	21.04.78
MSC/Circ.250	Explanatory note on regulations on subdivision and damage stability of passenger ships (amends MSC/Circ.153)	Passenger ships	SOLAS 60 ch.II; SOLAS ch.II-1, part B	11.05.79
MSC/Circ.285	Inert gas systems for chemical tankers	Chemical tankers	SOLAS reg.II-2/60	23.05.80
MSC/Circ.286	Guidelines for uniform application of survival requirements of Bulk Chemical Code and Gas Carrier Code (revokes MSC/Circ.159)	Chemical tankers; gas carriers		23.05.80

* For circulars with no specific application date, the date of approval of the circular by the relevant session of the MSC is indicated.

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MSC/Circ.304 and Add.1 Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods (EmS) (amended by MSC/Circs.335, 392, 643 and 741)	Ships carrying dangerous goods	SOLAS ch.VII	05.12.80
MSC/Circ.314 Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk. Calculation of the capacity of foam systems for chemical tankers	Chemical tankers	SOLAS reg.VII/8; MARPOL reg.II/12A	04.04.81
MSC/Circ.326 Drainage of enclosed cargo spaces situated on the bulkhead deck	Passenger ships; ro-ro cargo ships	SOLAS regs. II-1/21.1.6, 21.1.6.1 and 21.1.6.2; 1988 LL Protocol reg.22(2)	02.04.82
MSC/Circ.328/ Rev.1 Carriage of Ethylene Oxide and Endorsement of Certificate of Fitness	Gas carriers	SOLAS reg.VII/11	02.04.82
MSC/Circ.329 Application of Requirements for inert gas systems for oil tankers	Tankers	SOLAS reg.II-2/62	02.04.82
MSC/Circ.347 Danger of the use of low flashpoint cargo as fuel (Refer to res. A.565(14))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/15.1	17.06.83
MSC/Circ.352 Safety of fishing vessels. Amendments to the FAO/ILO/IMO Code of Safety for Fishermen and Fishing Vessels	Fishing vessels		17.06.83
MSC/Circ.353 Guidelines for inert gas systems (amended by MSC/Circ.387)	Tankers	SOLAS regs.II-2/55 and 62	17.06.83
MSC/Circ.355 Use of Inmarsat ship earth stations operating within harbour limits and territorial waters	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	17.06.83
MSC/Circ.362 Amendments to the Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	17.06.83

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MSC/Circ.384 and Adds.1 & 2 Containers and cargoes - Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes - Amendments to the BC Code	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	30.11.84
MSC/Circ.387 Revised guidelines for inert gas systems (amends MSC/Circ/353) (Refer to MSC/Circ.485)	Tankers	SOLAS regs.II-2/55 and 62	30.11.84
MSC/Circ.394 BCH Code and IBC Code. Procedures for the inspection, cleaning, passivation and loading of tanks for the carriage of certain cargoes	Chemical tankers	SOLAS reg.VII/8; MARPOL reg.II/12A	30.11.84 (01.07.86 under MARPOL)
MSC/Circ.405 Code of safe practice for solid bulk cargoes - Amendments to the BC Code	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	24.05.85
MSC/Circ.406/Rev.1 Guidelines on interpretation of the IBC and IGC Codes and guidelines for the uniform application of the survival requirements of the IBC and IGC Codes	Chemical tankers; gas carriers	SOLAS regs.VII/8 and 11	25.05.90
MSC/Circ.408 Protection of the crew of fishing vessels from water shipped on deck	Fishing vessels	1993 Torremolinos Protocol recommend. 8	24.05.85
MSC/Circ.431 Amendments to IMOSAR Manual	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	01.03.87
MSC/Circ.432 Amendments to the MERSAR Manual	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	01.03.87
MSC/Circ.434 Guidelines for the preparation of information on the effect of flooding to be provided to masters of dry cargo ships	Dry cargo ships constructed on or after 01.02.92	SOLAS reg.II-1/23-1	05.02.86

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MSC/Circ.442 Containers and cargoes - Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes (BC Code) (contains amendments to the BC Code)	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	17.09.86
MSC/Circ.443 Measures to prevent unlawful acts against passengers and crews on board ships (Refer to res. A.584(14))	Passenger ships	SUA 1988*	17.09.86

* "SUA 1988" means the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation, 1988.

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MSC/Circ.447 Control under SOLAS regulation I/19 - Recommendation on radar reflectors for liferafts and on training manuals	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98 Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS regs. III/18.2, 38.5.14 and 51 SOLAS regs. III/35.2, 35.3; LSA Code paragraph 4.1.5.1.14	17.09.86
MSC/Circ.451 Guidance concerning the location of fire control plans for the assistance of shoreside fire-fighting personnel	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/20	17.09.86
MSC/Circ.454 MODU Code. Certification of existing mobile offshore drilling units	MODUs		17.09.86
MSC/Circ.455 Language problems in presenting operating and emergency instructions on board ships	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/20 and III/8.4	17.09.86
MSC/Circ.456 Guidelines for the preparation of intact stability information	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-1/22 and 25-8; LL reg.10; 1988 LL Protocol reg.10	17.09.86
MSC/Circ.469 Guidelines for the participation of non-Convention ships in the GMDSS	Non-SOLAS passenger and cargo ships; fishing vessels	SOLAS ch.IV	01.05.87
MSC/Circ.472 Guidelines on the definition of near-coastal voyages	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.I/1.1.13	01.05.87
MSC/Circ.474 and Corr.1 Guidelines for bow and stern loading and unloading arrangements in oil tankers	Oil tankers	SOLAS chs.II-1 and II-2	20.04.88
MSC/Circ.478 Amendments to the SPS Code (res. A534(13))	Special purpose ships	SPS Code	01.05.87

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MSC/Circ.480 Amendments to the IMOSAR Manual and to the MERSAR Manual	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	01.05.88
MSC/Circ.485 Clarification of inert gas system requirements under SOLAS 1974, as amended	Tankers	SOLAS reg.II-2/62	22.04.88
MSC/Circ.486 Amendments to the BC Code	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	22.04.88
MSC/Circ.488 Containers and cargoes. Carriage of grain. Guidance on interpretation and equivalences	Ships carrying grain in bulk	SOLAS ch.VI	22.04.88
MSC/Circ.495 Amendments to the BCH and GC Codes. Filter-type respiratory and eye protection equipment	Chemical tankers; gas carriers	MARPOL reg.II/12A	22.04.88
MSC/Circ.504 Guidance on design and construction of sea inlets under slush ice conditions	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-1/48.3	12.04.89
MSC/Circ.507 Containers and cargoes - Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes (BC Code) - Amendments to the BC Code	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	12.04.89
MSC/Circ.508 Clarification of certain provisions of chapter III of the 1983 SOLAS amendments	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98	SOLAS regs.III/11.7, 15.1, 20.2.3, 26.1.4, 26.2, 26.3.2, 38.2.2 and 48.6	12.04.89
	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS regs.III/11.7, 16.1, 31.1.4 and 31.3.2; LSA Code paragraphs 5.1 and 6.1.5	

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
MSC/Circ.509 Clarification of SOLAS chapter III provisions related to protection of occupants against impact forces on lifeboats when lowered down the ship's side (Refer to res. A.689(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98 Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS regs.III/43.5.1 and 44.5 LSA Code paragraphs 4.4.1.7 and 4.6.5	12.04.89
MSC/Circ.510 Clarification of SOLAS chapter III provisions related to protection of occupants of free-fall lifeboats against harmful accelerations during launching	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98 Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS regs.III/44.6 and 48.4 LSA Code paragraph 4.7	12.04.89
MSC/Circ.511 Amendments to the IMO Search and Rescue (IMOSAR) Manual	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	05.04.90
MSC/Circ.525 Precautions to be taken by masters of ships of less than 100 m in length engaged in the carriage of logs on deck (Supplement to the Code of Safe Practice for Ships Carrying Timber Deck Cargoes)	Cargo ships carrying timber deck cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	25.05.90
MSC/Circ.526 Special fire protection requirements for large open multi-deck spaces (atrium)	Passenger ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	25.05.90
MSC/Circ.528 Fire protecting systems for cargo compressor and pump-rooms for gas carriers covered by the Code	Gas carriers	SOLAS reg.VII/11	25.05.90
MSC/Circ.532 Containers and cargoes - Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes (BC Code) - Amendments to the BC Code	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	01.01.91

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MSC/Circ.534 Clarification of certain provisions of chapter III of the 1983 SOLAS amendments	<p>Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98</p> <p>Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98</p>	<p>SOLAS regs. III/20.1.5.2, 20.1.5.4, 26.1.1.2, 26.1.3.2, 26.1.3.4 and 41.7.6.2.2</p> <p>SOLAS regs. III/21.1.5.2, 21.1.5.4, 31.1.1.2, 31.1.3.2 and 31.1.3.4; LSA Code paragraph 4.4.7.6.2.2</p>	25.05.90
MSC/Circ.535 Amendments to the MERSAR Manual	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	01.01.91
MSC/Circ.536 Amendments to the IMOSAR Manual	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	01.01.91
MSC/Circ.537 Information on matters concerning rescue by helicopter (Refer to the MERSAR Manual)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	25.05.90
MSC/Circ.538 Information on AMVER service	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	25.05.90
MSC/Circ.541 Guidance Notes on the integrity of flooding boundaries above the bulkhead deck of passenger ships for proper application of regulations II-1/8 and 20, paragraph 1, of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, as amended	Passenger ships	SOLAS regs.II-1/8 and 20	25.05.90

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
MSC/Circ.548 Guidance note on precautions to be taken by masters of ships engaged in the carriage of timber cargo (supplement to the Code of Safe Practice for Ships Carrying Timber Deck Cargoes)	Cargo ships carrying timber cargo	SOLAS ch.VI	24.05.91
MSC/Circ.549 Guidelines for uniform interpretation of results of fire test procedure (amended by res. MSC.61(67))	Passenger ships; cargo ships; fishing vessels	SOLAS regs.II-2/3.8, 34, 49; 1993 Torremolinos Protocol regs.V/11 and 31	24.05.91
MSC/Circ.550/ Rev.1 Recommendation on the release mechanism of carbon dioxide fire-extinguishing systems	For systems installed on passenger ships and cargo ships before 01.10.94	SOLAS reg.II-2/5.2	10.04.92
MSC/Circ.551 Cargo tank gauging. Interpretation of the term "closed device" as referred to in paragraph 3.9 in the BCH Code	Passenger ships; cargo ships	MARPOL reg.II/12A	24.05.91
MSC/Circ.553 Information on flashpoint and recommended fire-fighting media for chemicals to which neither the IBC nor the BCH Codes apply	Chemical tankers	SOLAS reg.VII/8; MARPOL reg.II/12A	24.05.91
MSC/Circ.554 Amendments to the BC Code	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	24.05.91
MSC/Circ.555 Amendments to the BC Code	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	24.05.91
MSC/Circ.556 Amendments to the BC Code	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	24.05.91

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MSC/Circ.559 Guidelines to ensure the reporting to the Organization of incidents involving dangerous goods and marine pollutants in packaged form on board ships in port areas	Ships carrying dangerous goods and marine pollutants	SOLAS ch.VII; MARPOL Annex III	24.05.91
MSC/Circ.561 Amendments to chapters 10 and 11 of the 1979 and 1989 editions of the MODU Code	MODUs	SOLAS regs.III/6.1 and IV/1	Various dates
MSC/Circ.563 Unification of ARPA symbols	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	01.07.93
MSC/Circ.566 Provisional guidelines on the conduct of trials in which the officer of the navigational watch acts as the sole look-out in periods of darkness (Refer to MSC/Circ.867)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.I/5	24.05.91
MSC/Circ.569 Clarifications of certain provisions of chapter III of the 1983 SOLAS amendments	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98	SOLAS regs.III/6.4.2, 30.3, 32.1.6, 38.5.1.18, 41.8.12, 41.3.3, 41.6.9 and 41.7.6.2.2	24.05.91
	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	LSA Code paragraphs 1.2.3, 2.2.1.6, 4.1.5.1.18, 4.4.3.3, 4.4.6.9, 4.4.8.12, 4.4.7.6.2.2 and 7.2	
MSC/Circ.570 Recommendation on maximum stowage height of survival craft on passenger ships	Passenger ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/28 and III/13.1.2	24.05.91
MSC/Circ.572 Marking and identification of fishing vessels	Fishing vessels		24.05.91

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
MSC/Circ.574 The calculation procedure to assess the survivability characteristics of existing ro-ro passenger ships when using a simplified method based upon resolution A.265(VIII) (Refer to MSC/Circ.649)	Ro-ro passenger ships	SOLAS reg.II-1/8-1	01.01.94
MSC/Circ.581 Guidance for fire test procedures on smoke and toxic products generated by combustible material in fires	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/34 and 49	10.04.92
MSC/Circ.582 Guidelines for the performance and testing criteria, and surveys of low-expansion foam concentrates for fixed fire-extinguishing systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/8 and 61	10.04.92
MSC/Circ.585 Standards for vapour emission control systems	Tankers		10.04.92
MSC/Circ.586 World VTS Guide	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/20	10.04.92
MSC/Circ.587 Life-saving appliances. Fumes in totally enclosed lifeboats	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98	SOLAS reg.III/41.6.6	10.04.92
	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	LSA Code paragraphs 4.4.6.6, 4.6.3.4 and 4.8	
MSC/Circ.588 Amendments to the MERSAR Manual	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	08.04.93
MSC/Circ.589 Amendments to the IMOSAR Manual	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	08.04.93

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MSC/Circ.590 Preliminary draft amendments to the IMOSAR and MERSAR Manuals concerning the GMDSS	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference resolution 4	10.04.92
MSC/Circ.592 Carriage of dangerous goods. Acceptance of the Document of Compliance	Ships carrying dangerous goods constructed after 01.08.86	SOLAS ch.VII	21.04.92
MSC/Circ.595 Principles and guidelines concerning drug and alcohol abuse programmes (referred to in STCW.6/Circ.3)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.VIII/1 STCW B-VIII/2, Part 5	10.04.92
MSC/Circ.596 Amendments to the Recommendation on Testing of Life-Saving Appliances (res. A.689(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.III/4	10.04.92
MSC/Circ.600 Annual leakage check of halon fire-extinguishing systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/5.3	11.12.92
MSC/Circ.601 Fire protection in machinery spaces	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	11.12.92
MSC/Circ.602 Materials used for bulkheads in accommodation spaces defined in regulation II-2/3.10 of the 1974 SOLAS Convention	Passenger ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/3.10	11.12.92
MSC/Circ.603 Guidelines on display sizes and techniques for navigational purposes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	11.12.92
MSC/Circ.604 Interim arrangements for the assignment of the amended filling limit requirements under chapters 8 and 15 of the Gas Carrier Code	Gas carriers		11.12.92
MSC/Circ.606 Port State concurrence with SOLAS exemptions	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.I/4, II-1/1.4, II-2/1.4.1, III/2, IV/3	11.12.92

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MSC/Circ.608/ Interim guidelines for open-top Rev.1 containerships	Open-top containerships	SOLAS ch.II-1 part B-1, SOLAS regs.II-1/43, II-2/54; LL chs.1 and 2	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.609 Application of SOLAS amendments to ships constructed before the application date of the amendments - Interpretation of regulation II-1/1.3 of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, as amended	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-1/1.3	28.05.93
MSC/Circ.610 Use and application of computers	Passenger ships; cargo ships		28.05.93
MSC/Circ.612 and Corr. Recommendations on the Safe Use of Pesticides in Ships (amended by MSC/Circs.689 and 746)	Ships where pesticides are used	SOLAS ch.VI	28.05.93
MSC/Circ.614 Guidelines on inspection and maintenance of lifeboat on-load release gear	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98	SOLAS reg.III/19	28.05.93
	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS reg.III/20	
MSC/Circ.615 Life-saving appliances - Amendments to the Recommendation on Testing of Life-Saving Appliances (res. A.689(17))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.III/4	28.05.93

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MSC/Circ.616 Evaluation of free-fall lifeboat launch performance	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98 Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS reg.III/48.4 LSA Code paragraph 6.1.4	28.05.93
MSC/Circ.619 Minimum in-service eyesight standards	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.I/9	28.05.93
MSC/Circ.623 Piracy and armed robbery against ships - Guidance to shipowners and ship operators, shipmasters and crews on preventing and suppressing acts of piracy and armed robbery against ships	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SUA 1988 (Refer to the footnote to MSC/Circ.443 above)	28.05.93
MSC/Circ.626 Amendments to the BC Code and Corr.1	Ships carrying solid cargoes in bulk	SOLAS ch.VI	28.05.93
MSC/Circ.627 Navigation bridge visibility - Draft amendments to SOLAS chapter V (Refer to res. MSC.31(63), annex 2)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	28.05.93
MSC/Circ.634 Drug use and alcohol abuse (Refer to STCW.6/Circ.3)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.I/9 STCW B-VIII/2, Part 5	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.635 Tonnage measurement of certain ships relevant to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.I/15	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.638 Maintaining a proper lookout	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.VIII/2	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.640 International SafetyNET Service	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	25.05.94

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MSC/Circ.642 Document of compliance with the special requirements for ships carrying dangerous goods under the provisions of regulation II-2/54 of SOLAS 74, as amended	Ships carrying dangerous goods	SOLAS chs.II-2 and VII	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.644 Explanatory notes to the Interim standards for ship manoeuvrability (res. A.751(18))	Passenger ships; cargo ships		25.05.94
MSC/Circ.645 Guidelines for vessels with dynamic positioning systems	Ships and MODUs using dynamic positioning systems, constructed on or after 01.07.94		25.05.94
MSC/Circ.646 Recommendations for the fitting of hull stress monitoring systems	Cargo ships		25.05.94
MSC/Circ.647 Guidelines to minimize leakage from flammable liquid systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/15	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.648 Guidelines for the operation, inspection and maintenance of ship sewage systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-1	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.649 Interpretation of provisions of resolution MSC.26(60) and MSC/Circ.574	Ro-ro passenger ships	SOLAS reg.II-1/8	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.650 Interpretation of alterations and modifications of a major character	Cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-1	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.651 Interpretations of regulations of part B-1 of SOLAS chapter II-1	Cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-1/25-7, 25-8 and 25-9	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.652 Application of the 1966 LL Convention to high-speed craft	High-speed craft	LL art. 6	25.05.94

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MSC/Circ.655 Guidance for planning the enhanced programme of inspections during surveys of bulk carriers and oil tankers (Refer to res. A.744(18))	Bulk carriers; oil tankers	SOLAS reg.XI/2	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.656 Safety of ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	25.05.94
MSC/Circ.660 Proper use of lanyards attached to satellite EPIRBs	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.662 Amendments to the BC Code	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.663 Form for cargo information	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VII; MARPOL Annex III	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.664 Containers and cargoes - Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing (CSS Code) - Amendments to the CSS Code	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.VI	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.666 Cargo operation form	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.667 Safe practices on board bulk carriers	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	04.12.94
MSC/Circ.668 Alternative arrangements for halon fire-extinguishing systems in machinery spaces	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/5.3, 7, 10 and 63	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.669 Interpretations of SOLAS chapter II-2 as amended by resolution MSC.27(61)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/18, 24, 25, 28, 32 and 37	09.12.94

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MSC/Circ.670	Guidelines for the performance and testing criteria and surveys of high-expansion foam concentrates for fixed fire-extinguishing systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/9	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.671	List of solid bulk cargoes which are non-combustible or constitute a low fire risk or for which a fixed gas fire-extinguishing system is ineffective	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS reg.II-2/53.1	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.672	Measures to prevent explosions in oil tanker pump-rooms	Oil tankers	SOLAS ch.II-2	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.673	On-board communication phrases for passenger care	Passenger ships	SOLAS ch.IV	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.674	WMO Voluntary Observing Ships' Scheme	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/4	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.675	Recommendations on the Safe Transport of Dangerous Cargoes and Related Activities in Port Areas (replaces MSC/Circ.299 and Add.1)	Ships carrying dangerous cargoes	SOLAS ch.VII	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.677	Revised standards for the design, testing and locating of devices to prevent the passage of flame into cargo tanks in tankers	Tankers	SOLAS regs.II-2/59 and 62	09.12.94
MSC/Circ.681	Guidelines for passenger safety instructions on ro-ro passenger ships (supersedes, in respect of ro-ro passenger ships, MSC/Circ.617/Rev.1) (Refer to MSC/Circ.699)	Ro-ro passenger ships	SOLAS chs.II-2 and III	17.05.95
MSC/Circ.686	Guidelines on the means of access to structures for inspection and maintenance of oil tankers and bulk carriers (Refer to res. A.744(18))	Bulk carriers; oil tankers	SOLAS reg.XI/2	17.05.95
MSC/Circ.687	Emergency source of power for category A high-speed craft	High-speed craft of category A	SOLAS ch.X	17.05.95

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MSC/Circ.688	Interpretations of SOLAS reg.II-1/8.7.2	Passenger ships	SOLAS reg.II-1/8.7.2	17.05.95
MSC/Circ.689 and Corr.1	Amendments to the Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships	Ships where pesticides are used	SOLAS ch.VI	17.05.95
MSC/Circ.691	Containers and cargoes - Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing (CSS Code) - Amendments to the CSS Code	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.VI	17.05.95
MSC/Circ.692	Clarification of SOLAS reg.III/50 regarding general emergency alarm systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98	SOLAS reg.III/50	17.05.95
		Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	LSA Code paragraph 7.2	
MSC/Circ.693	Draft amendments to the International Safety Management (ISM) Code	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IX	17.05.95
MSC/Circ.695	Falls at corrugated bulkheads in general cargo ships	General cargo ships	SOLAS ch.VI	17.05.95
MSC/Circ.696	Thorough examination of the cargo lifting plant of ships	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.VI	17.05.95
MSC/Circ.699	Revised guidelines for passenger safety instructions (revokes MSC/Circ.617/Rev.1) (Refer to MSC/Circ.681)	Passenger ships	SOLAS chs.II-2 and III	09.12.94

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MSC/Circ.704 and Corr.1 Listing of certificates and documents required to be carried on board ships (revises MSC/Circ.704)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs. I/12, II-2/54.3, VI/9, VII/5(5), X/3, XI/2, II-1/22, V/13(b); MARPOL regs.I/5, 20, 26, 13G III/4, II/12 and 12a, II/9, 13(4); TM art. 7; LL art. 16; STCW art. VI	21.09.95
MSC/Circ.706 Guidance on intact stability of existing tankers during liquid transfer operations	Tankers	MARPOL reg.I/13F	17.05.95
MSC/Circ.707 Guidance to the master for avoiding dangerous situations in following and quartering seas	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	17.05.95
MSC/Circ.710 Model agreement for the authorization of recognized organizations acting on behalf of the Administration	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.XI/1	17.05.95
MSC/Circ.727 Recommendation on thermal radiation test supplement to fire resistance tests for "A", "B" and "F" class divisions	Passenger ships; cargo ships; fishing vessels	SOLAS regs.II-2/3.3, 3.4 and 31; 1993 Torremolinos Protocol reg.V/2	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.728 Revised test method for equivalent water-based fire-extinguishing systems for machinery spaces of category A and cargo pump-rooms	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/5.3, 7, 10 and 63	06.06.96

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MSC/Circ.729 Design guidelines and operational recommendations for ventilation systems in ro-ro cargo spaces	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/37, 38 and 53	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.730 Recommendations for ventilation or inerting of double hull spaces	Oil tankers	SOLAS reg.II-2/59.4	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.731 Revised factors to be taken into consideration when designing cargo tank venting and gas-freeing arrangements	Oil tankers	SOLAS regs.II-2/59 and 62	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.732 Interim guidelines on the test procedure for demonstrating the equivalence of composite materials to steel under the provisions of the 1974 SOLAS Convention	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/3.7	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.733 Officer of the navigational watch acting as the sole look-out in periods of darkness (Refer to MSC/Circ.867)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.VIII/2	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.734 Interpretations of phrases on human performance criteria contained in SOLAS chapter II-1	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-1	06.06.93
MSC/Circ.735 Recommendation for the design and operation of passenger ships to respond to elderly and disabled persons' needs (Refer to res. A.865(20))	Passenger ships	SOLAS chs.II-2 and III; STCW	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.736 Interpretations of vague expressions in SOLAS chapter II-1	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-1	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.737 Guidelines on anchoring systems for MODUs	MODUs and MOUs		06.06.96
MSC/Circ.738 Guidelines for dynamic positioning system (DP) operator training	MODUs	STCW reg.I/14	06.06.96

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MSC/Circ.739 Amendments to the Code of Safety for Special Purpose Ships (res. A.534(13) (supersedes MSC/Circ.478)	Special purpose ships	Code of Safety for Special Purpose Ships	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.740 Amendment to the Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing (CSS Code)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.VI	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.742 Amendments to the Code of Safe Practice for Solid Bulk Cargoes (BC Code)	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.743 Communications between maritime Administrations and port authorities	Ships carrying solid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VII	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.745 Guidelines for the preparation of the Cargo Securing Manual (supersedes MSC/Circ.385)	Ships carrying all cargoes other than solid and liquid bulk cargoes	SOLAS ch.VI	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.746 Amendments to the Recommendations for the safe use of pesticides in ships	Ships where pesticides are used	SOLAS ch.VI	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.750 Amendments to res.A.706(17) - World-wide Navigational Warning Service	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/4	01.01.98
MSC/Circ.751 Special needs of high-speed craft - SAR operating plans	High-speed craft	SOLAS ch.X; HSC Code reg.18.1.3.19	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.752 Minimum safety standards for ships carrying mixture, the benzene content of which is 0.5 % or more	Tankers	SOLAS chs.II-2 and VII	06.06.96

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MSC/Circ.754 Passenger ferry security (Refer to res. A.584(14))	Passenger ships	SUA 1988 (Refer to the footnote to MSC/Circ.443 above)	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.755 Side shell doors and stern doors on ro-ro passenger ships	Ro-ro passenger ships	SOLAS reg.II-1/20-1	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.760 Guidelines for a structure of an integrated system of contingency planning for shipboard emergencies	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS chs.III and IX; MARPOL Annex I	06.06.96
MSC/Circ.762 Implementation of the ISM Code - Guidance to companies operating multi-flagged fleets and supplementary guidelines to Administrations	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IX/4.1	10.07.96
MSC/Circ.773 Pilot transfer arrangements. Required boarding arrangements for pilots. (supersedes MSC/Circ.568)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/17	06.12.96
MSC/Circ.774 Revised measures to prevent explosions in oil tanker cargo pump-rooms	Tankers	SOLAS ch.II-2	06.12.96
MSC/Circ.775 Ships with reduced halon quantities	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/5.3	06.12.96
MSC/Circ.777 Indication of the "assembly stations" in passenger ships	Passenger ships	SOLAS regs.II-2/28-1 and III/6	06.12.96
MSC/Circ.787 IMO/ILO/UN ECE Guidelines for Packing of Cargo Transport Units (CTUs) (revokes MSC/Circ.383, as amended by MSC/Circ.557 and Rev.1)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS 74 chs.VI and VII	06.12.96
MSC/Circ.788 Authorization of recognized organizations acting on behalf of Administrations	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.XI/1	06.12.96

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MSC/Circ.792 Interpretation of the application of res. A.747(18)	Tankers	MARPOL reg.I/13 and Annex II	06.12.96
MSC/Circ.794 IMO Standard Marine Communication Phrases (SMCPs) (Refer to res. A.380(X))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW ch.II	06.06.97
MSC/Circ.795 Clarification of regulations II/1, II/2, II/3 and II/4 of the STCW-F Convention	Fishing vessels	STCW-F regs.II/1, II/2, II/3 and II/4	06.06.97
MSC/Circ.798 Guidelines for performance and testing criteria and surveys of medium expansion from concentrates for fixed fire-extinguishing systems	Tankers	SOLAS reg.II-2/61	06.06.97
MSC/Circ.799 Guidelines for performance and testing criteria and surveys of expansion foam concentrates for fixed fire-extinguishing systems of chemical tankers	Chemical tanker	SOLAS regs.II-2/61 and VII/8	06.06.97
MSC/Circ.800 Safety measures for deep-fat cooking equipment	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	06.06.97
MSC/Circ.803 Participation of non-SOLAS ships in the GMDSS	Non-SOLAS passenger and cargo ships; fishing vessels		06.06.97
MSC/Circ.804 Impact of the year 2000 (Refer to MSC/Circ.868)	All ships		06.06.97
MSC/Circ.805 Guidance for the use of radio signals by ships under attack or threat of attack from pirates or armed robbers (Refer to res. A.738(18))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SUA 1988 (Refer to the footnote to MSC/Circ.443 above)	06.06.97
MSC/Circ.806 Guidance on safety aspects of ballast water exchange at sea (Refer to res. A.774(18))	Cargo ships		06.06.97

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MSC/Circ.807	Guidelines on riding repairs	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.XI/1	06.06.97
MSC/Circ.808	Recommendation on performance standards for public address systems on passenger ships, including cabling	Passenger ships	SOLAS reg.III/6.5	06.06.97 01.07.97
MSC/Circ.809	Recommendation for canopied reversible liferafts, automatically self-righting liferafts and fast rescue boats, including testing, on ro-ro passenger ships	Ro-ro passenger ships constructed before 01.07.98 Ro-ro passenger ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS regs.III/4 and 24-1 SOLAS regs.III/4 and 26	06.06.97 01.07.97
MSC/Circ.810	Recommendation on means of rescue on ro-ro passenger ships	Ro-ro passenger ships constructed before 01.07.98 Ro-ro passenger ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS reg.III/24-1.4 SOLAS reg.III/26.4	06.06.97 1.07.97
MSC/Circ.811	Identification of float-free arrangements for liferafts	Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed before 01.07.98 Passenger ships; cargo ships constructed on or after 01.07.98	SOLAS reg.III/ 39.7.3 LSA Code paragraph 4.2.6	06.06.97
MSC/Circ.812	Amendments to resolution A.581(14) - "Guidelines for securing Arrangements for transport of road Vehicles on Ro-Ro Ships" and res. A.714(17) - "Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing".	Ro-ro ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.VI	06.06.97

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MSC/Circ.822 Amendments to the MERSAR Manual	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1979 SAR Conference res.4	06.06.98
MSC/Circ.834 Guidelines for engine-room layout, design and arrangement	Passenger ships; cargo ships; MODUs; high-speed craft	SOLAS ch.II-1 part C	12.12.97
MSC/Circ.836 Recommendation on loading instruments	Bulk carriers	SOLAS reg.XII/11	27.11.97
MSC/Circ.845 Proposed amendments to the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code)	Gas carriers	SOLAS reg.VII/11	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.846 Guidelines on the human element considerations for the design and management of emergency escape arrangements on passenger ships	Passenger ships	SOLAS regs. II-2/28 and 28-1	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.847 Interpretation of vague expressions and other vague wording in SOLAS ch.II-2	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.848 Revised guidelines for the approval of equivalent fixed gas fire-extinguishing systems, as referred to in SOLAS ch.II-2, for machinery spaces and cargo pump-rooms (supersedes MSC/Circ.776)	Passenger ships and cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.849 Guidelines for the performance, location, use and care of emergency breathing escape devices (EEBDs)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.850 Guidelines for the maintenance and inspection of fire protection systems and appliances	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.851 Guidelines on engine-room oil fuel systems (supplements MSC/Circ.647)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/15	20.05.98

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MSC/Circ.853	Guidance on shipboard assessments of proficiency	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg. I/6; STCW Code Section A-I/6	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.854	Guidelines for shipboard loading and stability computer programs	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-1/22	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.855	Interpretation of the position of the forward perpendicular for the purpose of SOLAS reg.II-1/10	Ro-ro passenger ships	SOLAS reg.II-1/10	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.856	Amendment to the IMDG Code	Ships carrying dangerous goods in packaged form	SOLAS ch.VII	01.01.99 (with a transitional period until 01.07.99)
MSC/Circ.857	Revised medical first aid guide (MFAG) (revokes MSC/Circ.333, 371, 392 and 643)	Ships carrying dangerous goods	SOLAS ch.VII	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.858	Documents of compliance with the SOLAS reg.II-2/54	Ships carrying dangerous goods	SOLAS reg.II-2/54.3; IMDG Code; BC Code	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.859	Inspection programmes for cargo transport units (CTUs) carrying dangerous goods	Cargo transport units (CTUs)		20.05.98
MSC/Circ.861	Measures to reduce the number of false distress alerts	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.862	Clarification of certain requirements in IMO performance standards for GMDSS equipment	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14	01.02.99
MSC.Circ.863	Recommandation on prevention of harmful interference to 406 MHz EPIRBs operating with the COSPAS-SARSAT system	All ships	SOLAS ch.IV	20.05.98

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
MSC/Circ.864 Guidelines for preparing plans for co-operation between SAR services and passenger ships on fixed routes (in accordance with SOLAS reg.V/15(c))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/15(c)	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.866 Guidelines for the application of safety standards to pusher tug-barge combination	Pusher tug-barge combination	SOLAS reg.V/12(s); COLREG rule 24(b)	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.867 Officer of the navigational watch acting as the sole look-out during period of darkness (Refer to MSC/Circ.566 and MSC/Circ.733)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.I/13	20.05.98
MSC/Circ.868 Addressing the year 2000 problem	All ships		20.05.98

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
COLREG.2/Circ.6 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	06.10.78
COLREG.2/Circ.14 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	22.04.81
COLREG.2/Circ.15 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	06.04.82
COLREG.2/Circ.17 Implementation of the new traffic separation scheme "in the Bay of Fundy and approaches"	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	06.08.82
COLREG.2/Circ.20 New and amended traffic separation schemes and other routeing measures	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	05.08.83 17.04.89
COLREG.2/Circ.22 Amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	30.05.84
COLREG.2/Circ.24 Amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	24.06.85
COLREG.2/Circ.27 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	01.04.86
COLREG.2/Circ.28 Amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	01.04.86
COLREG.2/Circ.30 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	01.10.86
COLREG.2/Circ.32 and Add.1 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	16.05.88 14.07.88

* For circulars with no specific application date, the date of approval of the circular by the relevant session of the MSC is indicated.

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COLREG.2/Circ.33 Traffic separation scheme "in the Strait of Hormuz". Change of reference chart and chart datum	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	25.02.94
COLREG.2/Circ.34 and Corrs.1 and.2 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	18.06.90 05.10.90 05.11.90
COLREG.2/Circ.35 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	14.04.89 28.12.89
COLREG.2/Circ.36 Cancellation of the inshore traffic zone associated with the traffic separation scheme "in the Saronicos Gulf"	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	24.09.90
COLREG.2/Circ.37 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	19.06.91 04.11.91
COLREG.2/Circ.38 Amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	29.04.92
COLREG.2/Circ.38 /Add.1 Amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	14.05.97
COLREG.2/Circ.39 New traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	21.01.93 05.07.93
COLREG.2/Circ.40 and Corr.1 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	09.06.94 11.01.95
COLREG.2/Circ.41 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	14.06.96 04.09.96
COLREG.2/Circ.42 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	02.01.97 17.02.97
COLREG.2/Circ.43 Temporary amendments to Marjan/Zuluf traffic separation scheme	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	10.02.97
COLREG.2/Circ.44 New and amended traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG	01.12.98

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Name of the instrument	Ship types to which the requirements are applicable	Reference to relevant regulations in Conventions, as appropriate	Application date*
COLREG.3/Circ.1 Special signals in Australian ports	Ships of 35 metres or more in length when navigating within pilotage waters of a port and when requiring priority or right of way over other ships	COLREG rule 1(b)	13.06.80
COLREG.3/Circ.2 Navigation lights on ships of special construction engaged in serving the offshore oil industry. Statement by the Government of Liberia	Ships of special construction engaged in serving the offshore oil industry	COLREG rule(b)	09.08.84
COLREG.3/Circ.3 Statement by the Government of South Africa	Ships converted to carry containers	COLREG rule(b)	24.10.84
FP/Circ.1 Halon banking facilities	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/5.3	21.07.95
FP/Circ.2 Information on national halon banking facilities	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/5.3	09.01.96
FP/Circ.3 Information on national halon banking facilities	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/5.3	01.04.96
FP/Circ.4 Information on national halon banking facilities	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/5.3	01.07.96
FP/Circ.5 Information on national halon banking facilities	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/5.3	24.10.96
FP/Circ.9 Information on national halon banking facilities	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/5.3	01.07.97
FP/Circ.11 Information on national halon banking facilities	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.II-2/5.3	05.01.98

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FP/Circ.12	List of recognized test laboratories (supersedes FP/Circ.7)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	14.01.98
GMDSS/Circ.7 Corrs.1, 2 and 3	Master Plan of shore-based facilities for the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS Master Plan)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/5	22.07.96 (19.12.96 for Corr.1, 02.05.97 for Corr.2, 23.07.97 for Corr.3)
LL.3/Circ.55	Revalidation of certificates	Passenger ships; cargo ships	LL arts.4(1)(c), 19(3)(c) and 19(4)(a)	17.06.83
LL.3/Circ.69	Unified interpretations of the provisions of the 1966 LL Convention	Passenger ships; cargo ships	LL articles and regulations of chs.I to IV	30.11.84
LL.3/Circ.77	Unified interpretations of the provisions of the 1966 LL Convention	Passenger ships; cargo ships	LL art. 2(8) and regulations of chs.I to III	17.09.86
PSLS.2/Circ.7	Revalidation of certificates issued under the 1974 SOLAS Convention as modified by the 1978 SOLAS Protocol	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs. I/8(b), 10(a)(ii), 14(g)(i), and 19(c)	17.06.83
PSLS.2/Circ.8	Identification of "new" and "existing" ships under the 1978 SOLAS Protocol and procedure to be followed when completing Supplements	Passenger ships; cargo ships	1978 SOLAS Protocol regs. I/2(k) and (l)	17.06.83
SLS.14/Circ.1	Record of cargo ship safety equipment	Cargo ships	SOLAS reg.I/8	23.05.80
SLS.14/Circ.115	Issue of Exemption Certificates under the 1974 SOLAS Convention and amendments thereto	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.I/12(a)(vi) and relevant regulations of SOLAS chs.I, II-1, II-2, III, IV and V	28.06.93

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SLS.17/Circ.3 and Add.1, Add.2 and Corr.1	Interim recommendations and interpretations of chapter II-2 of the 1981/83 SOLAS Amendments	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.II-2	17.06.83
SN/Circ.1	Position-reporting system in the area around Madagascar	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V/8-1	31.05.62
SN/Circ.8	International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (Identification light for submarines)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG	02.10.63
SN/Circ.9	Hydrofoil boats	Hydrofoil boats	SOLAS ch.V	15.11.63
SN/Circ.42	Marine traffic control systems in the St. Lawrence River	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/1	08.04.68
SN/Circ.52	Warning of bulbous bows, bow propulsion and exhibition of all-round red light	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG	06.05.69
SN/Circ.54	Marine traffic control	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	24.09.69
SN/Circ.57	Floating debris	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	06.04.71
SN/Circ.62	Recommendations for the marking of offshore fixed structures	Offshore fixed platform	SOLAS ch.V	12.08.71
SN/Circ.64	Marine traffic regulating systems Nova Scotia, south-east coast - Halifax Harbour and approaches	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/1	30.11.72
SN/Circ.74	Provisions for embarkation and disembarkation of pilots in Argentine ports	Passenger ships; cargo ships		12.02.75
SN/Circ.81	Broadcast of safety information in the Dover Strait	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/5	21.05.76
SN/Circ.84	German sea pilotage service	Passenger ships; cargo ships		16.05.77
SN/Circ.87	Operational guidance on the use of radar beacons and transponders	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	22.11.77

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SN/Circ.90	Application of coloured glass in wheelhouse windows of ships	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/22	06.10.78
SN/Circ.91	Guidance on the use of VHF at sea	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/7	09.10.78
SN/Circ.92	Guide to the planning and conduct of passage	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW ch.VIII	23.10.78
SN/Circ.94	Signal requirements for ships carrying dangerous substances in port areas	Ships carrying dangerous substances	COLREG	01.02.79
SN/Circ.95	Recommendations on determination of luminous intensity of a marine aid to navigation light	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/14	29.06.79
SN/Circ.96	Recommendations for the rhythmic characters of lights in aids to marine navigation	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/14	06.03.80
SN/Circ.97	Use of adequately qualified deep-sea pilots in the North Sea, English Channel and Skagerrak	Passenger ships; cargo ships		12.06.80
SN/Circ.98	Amendments to the general provisions on ships' routeing	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	12.06.80
SN/Circ.99	Carriage of up-to-date charts	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/20	12.06.80
SN/Circ.100	Deep water route off the East coast of Langeland	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	12.06.80
SN/Circ.101	Routeing system other than traffic separation schemes (area to be avoided "In the region of Nantucket Shoals")	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	01.03.81
	(area to be avoided "In the region of the Northwest Hawaiian Islands")			01.05.81
SN/Circ.105	IALA buoyage system	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	15.06.81

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SN/Circ.106	International system of sea ice signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/4(b)(vii); 33rd session of the WMO Executive Committee, Recomm.36 (80-CMM)	01.10.81
SN/Circ.107	Maritime buoyage system	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	18.09.81
SN/Circ.108/Rev.1	New traffic order in conformity with the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972, to be established in the Strait of Istanbul	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 10	21.04.82
SN/Circ.114	Amendments to the standard marine navigational vocabulary	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW ch.II	01.08.83
SN/Circ.115	Amendments to the general provisions on Ships' Routeing (Refer to res. A.527(13))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	17.11.83
SN/Circ.119	Amendments to the general provisions on Ships' Routeing	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	18.04.84
SN/Circ.120	IALA Maritime Buoyage System agreement	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG	08.05.84
SN/Circ.123/Rev.1	International port traffic signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	02.01.86
SN/Circ.124	Partial extension of the territorial sea in the North Sea and additional provisions to the 1972 Collisions Regulations (Statement by the FRG)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG	06.03.85
SN/Circ.126/Add.1	Navigation in the Strait of Messina (Statement by the Government of Italy)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	03.04.85

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SN/Circ.127	Amendments to the general provisions on Ships' Routing (Refer to res. A.572(14))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	20.10.85
SN/Circ.128	Amendments to the standard marine navigational vocabulary	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW ch.II	01.01.87
SN/Circ.129	Routing system other than traffic separation schemes (deep -water route leading to Ijmuiden) (area to be avoided in the region of the Bermuda Islands) (Refer to res. A.573(14))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	15.12.85 01.12.85
SN/Circ.130	Assembly resolution A.486(XII) - Recommendation on the use of adequately qualified deep-sea pilots in the North Sea, English Channel and Skagerrak	Passenger ships; cargo ships		01.04.86
SN/Circ.131	Ship Reporting System - Communication from the Government of the USSR	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	04.04.86
SN/Circ.132	Electronic Chart Display Systems	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	13.10.86
SN/Circ.133	Information on deep-sea pilotage in the Baltic Sea	Passenger ships; cargo ships		10.11.86
SN/Circ.134	Danish Radio Reporting Services (SHIPPOS)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	06.04.87
SN/Circ.136	Routing system other than traffic separation schemes (new area to be avoided "Between the Smalls Lighthouse and Grassholme Island") (cancellation of five areas to be avoided "In the English Channel and the Dover Strait") (Refer to res. A.669(16))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	15.10.88 13.05.88

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SN/Circ.137	Revised recommendation on under-keel allowance for deep-draught ships navigating through the English Channel and Dover Strait (Refer to res. A.669(16))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	19.10.89
SN/Circ.138	Routeing system other than traffic separation schemes (areas to be avoided "In the region of the Aldabra Islands in the Seychelles" and "In the region of Mahe Island in the Seychelles") (Refer to res. A.669(16))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	05.10.89
SN/Circ.139	Recommendations on navigation through the English Channel and the Dover Strait (Refer to res. A.669(16))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	19.10.89
SN/Circ.140	Mariners' routeing guide for the Gulf of Suez	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	18.04.89
SN/Circ.141/Rev.1	Information on a ship reporting system in the Old Bahama Channel	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	15.02.93
SN/Circ.142	Information on a proposed ship reporting system in the Old Bahama Channel	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	14.09.89
SN/Circ.143	Vessel Traffic information service in the Singapore Strait	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	01.10.90
SN/Circ.144	Routeing system "Off Friesland" and "Recommended route for tankers from North Hinder to the German Bight and vice versa"	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	01.12.90

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SN/Circ.145 Routeing systems other than traffic separation schemes (New deep-water route "In the Southern Approach to Chesapeake Bay", areas to be avoided "Off the California Coast", Off the Florida Coast" and "In the region of Shetland Islands" and precautionary areas "In the Northern Approach to Yell Sound" and "In the South-Eastern Approaches to Yell Sound")	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	16.11.91
SN/Circ.146 Fixed traffic link across the Great Belt	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG	19.06.91
SN/Circ.148 Performance standards for radar reflectors	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	11.11.91
SN/Circ.149 New German traffic regulations for navigable waterways ("In the region of the German Bight")	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 1(b)	11.11.91
SN/Circ.151 Information on a Chilean ship reporting system (CHILREP)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	01.12.91
SN/Circ.152/Rev.1 Routeing systems other than traffic separation schemes (Areas to be avoided "In the region of Fasht Buldani" and "Recommended directions of traffic flow in the German Bight)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	08.10.92
SN/Circ.154 Use of radar transponders on ships for safety purposes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	29.04.92
SN/Circ.156 World-wide navigation system (Changes to the information relating to the GLONASS and TCHAIKA systems given in appendix 2 to res. A.666(16))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	07.01.93
SN/Circ.157 Warning on using non-equivalent electronic charts	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/20	07.01.93

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SN/Circ.159 Routeing systems other than traffic separation schemes (Areas to be avoided "In the region of the Shetland Islands", "In the region of the Orkney Islands" and "In the region of the Fair Isle", precautionary areas "In the region of the Shetland Islands", recommended routes in the Fair Isle Channel and recommendations on navigation in the Pentland Firth, in the Minches, in the North Channel, off Smalls and Grassholme Islands, off Scilly Islands, in the Needles Channel, in the English Channel and Dover Strait and in the Firth of Forth)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	28.11.93
SN/Circ.160 World-wide navigation system (Details of the Russian Federation's radionavigational plan)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/12	22.09.93
SN/Circ.162 Trials in which the officer of the navigational watch acts as the sole look-out in periods of darkness (Refer to MSC/Circ.867)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW reg.I/13	15.10.93
SN/Circ.163 Information on particular internal waters entry requirements (German Internal Waters)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 1(b)	07.04.94
SN/Circ.166 Safety of navigation (Rules and Recommendations on Navigation through the Strait of Istanbul, the Strait of Canakkale and the Marmara Sea)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	24.11.94

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SN/Circ.167 Routeing systems other than traffic separation schemes (Areas to be avoided "In the region of the Orkney Islands", "In the region of Three Kings Islands" and "In the region of Voriai Sporadhes Islands", precautionary areas "In the region of the Shetland Islands", and "In the approaches to Salina Cruz", recommended route for tankers from North Hinder to the German Bight and vice versa, and recommendation on navigation through the English Channel and the Dover Strait)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	24.11.94
SN/Circ.172 Information on the Singapore Ship Reporting System (SINGREP)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	05.10.94
SN/Circ.173 Routeing measures other than traffic separation schemes (Areas to be avoided "Off the Washington Coast", "North of the Straits of Tiran", "North of Sharm el Sheikh harbour" and "At the Southern extremity of the Sinai Peninsula")	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	07.06.95
SN/Circ.175 Routeing measures other than traffic separation schemes (Recommended routes for ships in the Fair Isle Channel)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	17.07.95
SN/Circ.176 Amendments to the general provisions on Ships' Routeing	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	01.01.97
SN/Circ.177 Use of "not under command" (NUC) signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 27	02.11.95
SN/Circ.178 Information on the Georgian ship reporting system (GEOREP)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	01.04.96

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SN/Circ.179 Carriage of masthead lights on board supply ships engaged in offshore activities (Refer to SN/Circ.116)	Offshore supply vessels	COLREG rule 1(b)	03.04.96
SN/Circ.180 Routeing measures other than traffic separation scheme (area to be avoided and precautionary area "In the Approaches to the Port of Veracruz, deep-water route "West of the Hebrides" and "Rules for navigation of laden tankers off the South African Coast")	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	30.11.96
SN/Circ.181 Compliance with ships' routeing measures	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	19.06.96
SN/Circ.182 Recognition of GPS-SPS as a component of the World-Wide Radionavigation System	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/14	13.06.96
SN/Circ.183 Proposed amendments to the recommendations on navigation around the United Kingdom Coast regarding navigation "In the Pentland Firth"	Passenger ships; cargo ships	COLREG rule 1(b)	03.06.97
SN/Circ.184 and Corr.1 Mandatory routeing measures - "Mandatory route for tankers from North Hinder to the German Bight"	Tankers carrying noxious liquids	SOLAS reg.V/8	03.06.97 12.09.97
SN/Circ.185 Amendments to the General Provisions on Ships' Routeing (resolution A.572(14))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	03.01.97
SN/Circ.186 Information on mandatory ship reporting systems "In the Great Belt Traffic (GBT) area", "Off Finisterre" and "In the Strait of Gibraltar"	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	03.06.97

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SN/Circ.187	Recognition of GLONASS as a component of the World-Wide Radionavigation System	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/14	13.12.96
SN/Circ.188	Safety of passenger submersible craft - Regulations applicable to all civilian submarines in waters under French jurisdiction	Passenger submersible craft	SOLAS ch.V	02.01.97
SN/Circ.189	Marking of seismic streamers	Seismic survey ships	SOLAS ch.V	02.01.97
SN/Circ.190	Information on a prohibited anchorage area in Indonesian Territorial waters	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	22.04.97
SN/Circ.191	Information on safety and protection of the Maghreb-Europe oil pipeline	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	22.04.97
SN/Circ.192	Information on the construction of a fixed traffic link across the central part of the sound between Denmark and Sweden	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	06.05.97
SN/Circ.196	Reporting recommendation for the Minches	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	19.09.97
SN/Circ.197 and Corr.1	Operation of marine radar for SART detection (revokes SN/Circ. 161) (Refer to res. A.802(19))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.III/6.2.2 and IV/7.1.3	01.11.97 10.02.98
SN/Circ.198	Routeing measures other than traffic separation schemes	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	01.12.98
SN/Circ.199	Amendments to the General Provisions on Ships' Routeing (GPSR)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	19.05.98

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SN/Circ.200	Adoption, designation and substitution of archipelagic sea lanes (Indonesian archipelagic waters) (Refer to res. MSC.72(69))	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8	19.05.98 not in force; implement. not earlier than six months after the date of designation of sea lanes by the Government of Indonesia
SN/Circ.201 and Corr.1	Mandatory ship reporting systems (Straits of Malacca and Singapore and Strait of Bonifacio)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/8-1	01.12.98
TM.5/Circ.4	Provisional formula to calculate a reduced gross tonnage of open-top containerships	Open-top containerships	TM reg.3	28.05.93
TM.5/Circ.5	Interpretations of the provisions of the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969	Passenger ships; cargo ships	TM articles and regulations	25.05.94
COM/Circ.25	International Code of Signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/21	01.06.66
COM/Circ.48	Amendments to the International Code of Signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/21	28.10.70
COM/Circ.57	Amendments to the International Code of Signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/21	27.03.72
COM/Circ.64	Amendments to the International Code of Signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/21	03.05.73
COM/Circ.66	Amendments to the International Code of Signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/21	04.12.73
COM/Circ.75	Amendments to the International Code of Signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/21	09.05.78

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COM/Circ.79	Great Lakes VHF Radio Agreement	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	12.03.79
COM/Circ.95	Recommendation on testing of the automatic device for generating the radiotelephone alarm signal	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	18.04.84
COM/Circ.97	Amendments to the International Code of Signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/21	11.05.84
COM/Circ.98	Amendments to the International Code of Signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/21	13.10.86
COM/Circ.103	Design and installation guidelines for Inmarsat standard-C ship earth stations and enhanced group call (EGC) receivers	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/6	31.05.90
COM/Circ.105 and Corr.1	Clarification of certain provisions of the 1988 SOLAS amendments for the GMDSS	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	06.08.91 21.08.92
COM/Circ.106	Testing of MF digital selective calling equipments installed for distress and safety by ships and coast stations	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	06.08.91
COM/Circ.108	GMDSS operating guidance for masters of ships in distress situation	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	23.01.92
COM/Circ.110 and Corr.1	Clarification of SOLAS regs. IV/6.1, IV/6.2.2 and IV/10.1.1.3	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.IV/6 and 10	08.02.93 16.03.93
COM/Circ.116	Provision of GMDSS radio installations with position updating facility	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	11.01.94
COM/Circ.117	Clarification of the application of certain provisions of chapter IV of the SOLAS Convention. SOLAS reg.IV/15.5, IV/15.6 and IV/15.7	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/15	10.01.94

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COM/Circ.122	Selection of more than one fixed area in the Inmarsat-C terminals in the Inmarsat-C system	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	14.02.95
COM/Circ.124	IMO/IHO Guide to drafting radio navigational warnings for the world-wide navigational warning service	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	20.02.95
COM/Circ.125	Recommendations on the use of batteries for two-way VHF radiotelephone apparatus	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/14	20.02.95
COM/Circ.127	Guidelines for avoiding false alerts distress	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	23.02.95
COM/Circ.129	Amendments to the International Code of Signals	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/21	01.01.96
COMSAR/Circ.2	Procedure for responding to an MF (2187.5 kHz) DSC distress alert in sea area A2	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	11.04.96
COMSAR/Circ.4	Joint IMO/IHO/WMO manual on maritime safety information (MSI) (supersedes COM/Circ.124)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS regs.V/2 and 3	19.04.96
COMSAR/Circ.6	Recommendations on prevention of harmful interference on the 8, 12 and 16 MHz GMDSS distress and safety simplex frequencies (supersedes COM/Circ.119)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	19.04.96
COMSAR/Circ.8	List of NAVAREA Co-ordinator (replaces COMSAR/Circ.5)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	30.01.97
COMSAR/Circ.10	Possible temporary loss of Inmarsat services to part of the North Atlantic Ocean	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	18.02.97
COMSAR/Circ.12	Relays of distress alerts by digital selective calling (supersedes COMSAR/Circ.1)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	06.06.97

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COMSAR/Circ.13 Shore-to-ship communication during a distress	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	06.03.98
COMSAR/Circ.14 List of NAVAREA co-ordinators (replaces COMSAR/Circ.8)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.V	09.03.98
COMSAR/Circ.15 Joint IMO/IHO/WMO Manual on Maritime Safety Information (MSI) (replaces COMSAR/Circ.4)	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.V/2 and V/3	09.03.98
COMSAR/Circ.16 Guidance on the configuration of the reserve source or sources of energy used to supply radio installations on GMDSS ships	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS reg.IV/13	04.03.98
COMSAR/Circ.17 Recommendation on use of GMDSS equipment for non-safety communications	Passenger ships; cargo ships	SOLAS ch.IV	09.03.98
STCW.6/Circ.3 Guidance on prevention of drug and alcohol abuse (Refer to MSC/Circ.595 and MSC/Circ.634)	All ships	STCW Code section B-VIII/2, part 5	20.05.98
STCW.6/Circ.4 Guidance regarding additional training for masters and chief mates of large ships and ships with unusual manoeuvring characteristics	Large ships and ships with unusual manoeuvring characteristics	STCW Code sections B-V/3, V/4 and V/5	01.01.99
STCW.7/Circ.1 Clarification of regulations I/9, I/10 and I/15 of the STCW Convention	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW regs.II/1, 2 and 3	20.09.96
STCW.7/Circ.2 Model training record book for candidates for certification as officers in charge of a navigational watch	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW regs.II/1, 2 and 3	20.09.96
STCW.7/Circ.3 Model training record book for candidates for certification as officers in charge of an engineering watch or designated duty engineers	Passenger ships; cargo ships	STCW regs.III/1, 2 and 3	20.09.96

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STCW.7/Circ.8 Applications of provisions of the 1978 STCW Convention to Mobile Offshore Units (MOUs) (Refer to res. A.583(13), A.712(17) and A.828(19))	Self-propelled Mobile Offshore Units (MOUs)	STCW	20.05.98