SIERRA LEONE MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

Maritime Circular No.20

To:
Ship – Owners / Managers / Operators, Registration Officers (RegOffs), Recognised Organisations (ROs), SLMARAD Departments (All)

Subject:
IMO Requirements on Carriage of Publications on Board Ships

Date:
11th January 2017

References:
MSC-MEPC.2/Circ.2

Purpose

To provide instructions according the publications to be carried on board of a Sierra Leonean Vessel as per the IMO requirements.

Application

1. The publications explicitly required by this Administration to be carried on board to Sierra Leonean Vessels are as per the below table:

Name of publication	Required by	Applicable to	Remarks
IBC Code	IBC, Par. 16.2.1	Chemical Tankers	Built after 01/07/1986
BCH Code	BCH, Par. 5.2.1	Chemical Tankers	Built before 01/07/1986
IGC Code	IGC, Par. 18.1.3	Gas Carrier	Built after 01/07/1986
International Code of Signals*	SOLAS V/21.1	All Sierra Leonean Vessels	
IAMSAR Manual* Volume III	SOLAS V/21.2	All Sierra Leonean Vessels	
Nautical Charts & Publications	SOLAS V/19.2.1 & V/27	All Sierra Leonean Vessels	
Publications required by ISM Code	ISM Code, paragraphs 1.2.3 and 11.3	All Sierra Leonean Vessels	Required publications are those specifically mentioned to be carried by the ship's SMS Manual

2. All the publications as per the above mentioned table shall be available on board, regardless of format, should be the latest editions or duly corrected up to date. In case where copies of national regulations incorporating the provisions of the required instruments are provided on board, publications of such instruments need not be carried on board.

3. The publications may be carried in the form of electronic media such as CD-ROM in lieu of hard copies. Publications in electronic form are only accepted if issued by IMO or an Administration or a body authorized by an Administration to ensure correctness of their contents and to safeguard against illegal copying. The media shall be treated in accordance with the document control procedures in the Ship's SMS including procedures for timely update. Furthermore *publications for emergency use such as International Code of Signals and the IAMSAR Manual shall be always available in the form of Hard Copies and be ready for use without being restricted to a specific place and by the availability of a computer

4. The above will enter into effect as of 11th January 2017.

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