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To relevant departments of CCS Headquarters, Shanghai Rules & Research Institute, Plan approval centers, branches, CCS surveyors, relevant shipyards, designers and shipping companies

Notice on the implementation of amendments to Code of Safety for Special Purpose Ships, 2008

Background: In MSC 87 which was held on May of 2010, amendments to Code of Safety for Special Purpose Ships, 2008 was approved relating to some incorrect text. They includes:

- Chapter 5, Periodically unattended machinery spaces
The original requirements , i.e., the SOLAS II-1/E, only apply to ships which are deemed as passenger ship. This amendments expands its application to ~~both~~ ships that are deemed as passenger ship and cargo ship.
- Chapter 8, life-saving appliances
The original requirements 8.2 and the relaxed 8.3 both apply to which deemed as passenger ship, so some contradiction exists. The amendments clarify that only the sale training ship can apply the relaxed requirements of 8.3.
- Annex Form of Safety Certificate for Special Purpose Ships
From the Record of Equipment, the Buoyant Apparatus which was deleted from SOLAS in 1986 and the Partially Enclosed Lifeboat which was deleted from SOLAS in 1998 were deleted.

Implementation: The amendments to SPS Code by MSC.299(87) are of non-mandatory nature. If no notice of implementation is promulgated by any administration, this amendments are only provided as information.

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Hereby notify the above.

Annexes: MSC. 299 (87)

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ANNEX 16

**RESOLUTION MSC.299(87)
(adopted on 14 May 2010)**

**ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE OF SAFETY FOR
SPECIAL PURPOSE SHIPS, 2008**

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

RECALLING ALSO resolution MSC.266(84), by which it adopted the Code of Safety for Special Purpose Ships, 2008 (2008 SPS Code),

NOTING the need to amend respective provisions of the Code,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its eighty-seventh session, amendments to the 2008 SPS Code proposed by the Sub-Committee on Ship Design and Equipment, at its fifty-third session,

1. ADOPTS amendments to the Code of Safety for Special Purpose Ships, 2008, the text of which is set out in the Annex to the present resolution;
2. DETERMINES that the said amendments should become effective on 14 May 2010.

ANNEX

AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE OF SAFETY FOR SPECIAL PURPOSE SHIPS, 2008

Chapter 5 – Periodically unattended machinery spaces

- 1 Paragraph 5.1 is amended as follows:

"Special purpose ships carrying not more than 240 persons on board should comply with regulations 46 to 53 of chapter II-1 of SOLAS, as amended."

Chapter 8 – Life-saving appliances

- 2 In paragraph 8.3, the words "sail training" are inserted before the word "ship".

Annex – Form of Safety Certificate for Special Purpose Ships

Appendix – Record of Equipment for the Special Purpose Ship Safety Certificate (Form SPS)

2 – Details of life-saving appliances

- 3 In item 2.2, the reference to "section 4.6" is replaced with the reference to "section 4.5".
- 4 Item 2.3 is deleted and items 2.4, 2.5, 2.5.1 and 2.5.2 are renumbered as items 2.3, 2.4, 2.4.1 and 2.4.2, respectively.
- 5 In renumbered item 2.3, the reference to "section 4.9" is replaced with the reference to "section 4.6".
- 6 Items 6, 6.1 and 6.2 are deleted and items 7, 8, 9, 9.1, 9.2, 10, 11, 11.1 and 11.2 are renumbered as 6, 7, 8, 8.1, 8.2, 9, 10, 10.1 and 10.2, respectively.
