

## **Revised guidelines for cargo securing manual and code of safe practice for cargo stowage and securing - scope of application**

### **MSC.1/Circ.1352**

*2. Member Governments are invited to bring the annexed Amendments to the CSS Code to the attention of shipowners, ship operators, shipmasters and crews and all other parties concerned and, in particular, encourage shipowners and terminal operators to:*

*.1. apply the annexed amendments in its entirety for containerhips, the keels of which were laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 1 January 2015;*

*.2. apply sections 4.4 (Training and familiarization), 7.1 (Introduction), 7.3 (Maintenance) and section 8 (Specialized container safety design) to existing containerhips, the keels of which were laid or which are at a similar stage of construction before 1 January 2015; and*

*.3. apply the principles of this guidance contained in sections 6 (Design) and 7.2 (Operational procedures) to existing containerhips as far as practical by the flag State Administration with the understanding that existing ships would not be required to be enlarged or undergo other major structural modifications as determined.*

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*4. Member Governments are invited to bring these Guidelines to the attention of all parties concerned, with the aim of having Cargo Securing Manuals carried on board ships prepared appropriately and in a consistent manner, and to:*

*.1. apply the revised guidelines in its entirety for containerhips, the keels of which were laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 1 January 2015; and*

*.2. apply chapters 1 to 4 of the revised guidelines to existing containerhips, the keels of which were laid or which were at a similar stage of construction before 1 January 2015.*

### **Interpretation**

Reference to containerhips means dedicated container ships and those parts of other ships for which arrangements are specifically designed and fitted for the purpose of carrying containers on deck.

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### **NOTE:**

1. This Unified Interpretation is to be uniformly implemented by IACS Societies on or after 1 January 2015 on all ships as defined in Section 2 of Annex 14 of the CSS Code, to which the administration has required the application of MSC.1/Circ.1352 or MSC.1/Circ.1353, as relevant.

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