

# **Unified Interpretation on the Fire Test Procedures Applied to Curtains, etc.**

## **Amended Guidance**

Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Passenger Ships

## **Reason for Amendment**

2010 FTP Code provides requirements for fire test procedures for fire protection material; whereas paragraph 3.1 of Part 7 of Annex 1 to this Code sets performance criteria for curtains and drapes, it is not clearly specified if the criteria are only applicable to specimens tested with a surface application of the pilot flame or also to specimens tested with an edge application of the pilot flame.

As a result of consideration of the scope of application at the IMO, a unified interpretation which clarifies that the performance criteria apply to specimens tested either by surface or edge application was approved at the 92<sup>nd</sup> Session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee (MSC 92) held in June 2013 and circulated as MSC.1/Circ.1456.

Accordingly, all relevant requirements were amended based upon MSC.1/Circ.1456.

## **Outline of Amendment**

Specified that, with respect to Part 7 of Annex 1 to 2010 FTP Code, the performance criteria for curtains and drapes are not only applicable to specimens tested with a surface application of the pilot flame but also to those tested with an edge application of the pilot flame.