

Subject:

1992 Amendments to the International
Convention for the Safety of Life
at Sea, 1974

NK TECHNICAL INFORMATION

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To Shipowners and Shipbuilders concerned

1992 Amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (Res. MSC.27(61)) were adopted at MSC 61 held at IMO Headquarters in December 1992 and shall enter into force on 1 October 1994.

The adopted amendments consist of the amendments to Chapter II-1 Construction-Subdivision and Stability, Machinery and Electrical Installations, Chapter II-2 Construction-Fire Protection, Fire Detection and Fire extinction, Chapter III Life-Saving Appliances and Arrangements and Chapter IV Radiocommunications and shall apply to ships from 1 October 1994 as follows;

- (1) Unless expressly provided otherwise, this amendments shall apply to ships constructed on or after 1 October 1994.
- (2) Regardless of the above (1), the following amended regulations shall apply to ships constructed on or after 1 July 1986.
 - (a) Regulation II-2/5.3.1 --- Fixed gas fire-extinguishing systems
 - (b) Regulation II-2/13.1.6
 - (c) Regulation II-2/13.1.8 --- Fixed fire detection and fire alarm systems
 - (d) Regulation II-2/13.1.9
 - (e) Regulation II-2/20 --- Fire control plans and fire drills
 - (f) Regulation III/50 --- General emergency alarm system
- (3) The amended regulations IV/13 and IV/14 shall apply to all ships, but the ships constructed before 1 February 1995 shall comply with these regulations not later than 1 February 1999.
- (4) The amended regulations II-2/5.2.5 and II-2/13.1.15 shall apply to carbon dioxide systems and fire detection systems with a zone address identification capability to be installed on board of all ships on or after 1 October 1994 respectively. For carbon dioxide systems as specified in regulation II-2/5.2.5 we are inquiring of the flag states about the interpretation on the date of installations of the carbon dioxide system concerning the term "installed" in this regulation. We will inform you of the instructions from the flag states in due course.

If you would have any questions, please feel free to contact Business Co-ordination Department at this Head Office.

For your information, the aforementioned 1992 Amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (Res. MSC.27(61)) are attached hereto.

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