



SUB-COMMITTEE ON FIRE PROTECTION
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Agenda item 1

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

**for the fifty-fifth session of the Sub-Committee on Fire Protection to be held
at IMO Headquarters, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR
from Monday, 25 to Friday, 29 July 2011**

(Session commences at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 25 July 2011)

- Opening of the session
- 1 Adoption of the agenda
 - 2 Decisions of other IMO bodies
 - 3 Performance testing and approval standards for fire safety systems
 - 4 Requirements for ships carrying hydrogen and compressed natural gas vehicles
 - 5 Fire resistance of ventilation ducts
 - 6 Measures to prevent explosions on oil and chemical tankers transporting low-flash point cargoes
 - 7 Recommendation on evacuation analysis for new and existing passenger ships
 - 8 Consideration of IACS unified interpretations
 - 9 Harmonization of the requirements for the location of entrances, air inlets and openings in the superstructures of tankers
 - 10 Means of escape from machinery spaces
 - 11 Review of fire protection requirements for on-deck cargo areas
 - 12 Analysis of fire casualty records
 - 13 Revision of the Recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships
 - 14 Guidelines for a visible element to general emergency alarm systems on passenger ships
 - 15 Means for recharging air bottles for air breathing apparatuses

- 16 Safety provisions applicable to tenders operating from passenger ships
- 17 Development of unified interpretations for chapter 7 of the 2000 HSC Code
- 18 Development of amendments to the FSS Code for communication equipment for fire-fighting teams
- 19 Development of guidelines for use of fibre reinforced plastic within ship structures
- 20 Biennial agenda and provisional agenda for FP 56
- 21 Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2012
- 22 Any other business
- 23 Report to the Maritime Safety Committee

Notes:

1 In accordance with the Guidelines on the organization and method of work of the MSC and MEPC and their subsidiary bodies (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.2, as amended):

- .1 documents should be received in the Secretariat as follows:
 - .1 documents (including information documents submitted in hard copy only) containing more than 6 pages of text (bulky documents), by **22 April 2011**;
 - .2 non-bulky documents (including information documents) and bulky information documents submitted in electronic format, by **23 May 2011**; and
 - .3 documents, containing 4 pages or less, commenting on those referred to in paragraphs 1.1.1 and 1.1.2** above, by **3 June 2011** (see also paragraph 4.10.5 of the Guidelines);
- .2 for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing, be as concise as possible and:
 - .1 all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with section 4.1 of the above-mentioned Guidelines;

* In the case of:

- .1 documents exceeding the number of pages specified, the provisions of paragraph 4.10.1 of the Guidelines will apply; and
- .2 documents other than information documents, which contain more than 20 pages, C 104 decided that they will not be translated into all working languages in their entirety. Such documents should include, for translation purposes, a summary of the document not longer than four pages, with the technical content submitted as an annex in the language needed by working groups (e.g., English).

** MSC 87 agreed that paragraph 1.1.3 should also apply to documents indicated in paragraph 1.1.2.

- .2 substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action which the Sub-Committee is invited to take; and
 - .3 information documents should conclude with a summary of the information contained therein;
 - .3 the following word-processing format should be observed in order to standardize the presentation of documents:
 - font: Arial
 - font size: 11pt
 - justification: full
 - margins (centimetres): 2 cm top; 2.5 cm bottom, left and right.
- A template is available on the IMODOCS website for use in the preparation of documents; and
- .4 to facilitate the processing of documents, they should be submitted on a USB stick if possible, or sent via e-mail to info@imo.org, in which case hard copies of the documents should also be sent by mail or facsimile. Microsoft Word format is preferable in either case.

2 The MSC recommended the sub-committees to strictly observe the above provisions of the aforementioned Guidelines, which, *inter alia*, provide that the Secretariat should strictly apply the rules concerning the submission of documents and not accept late submissions from Governments or delegations.
