PROVISIONAL AGENDA

for the seventh session of the Sub-Committee to be held at IMO Headquarters,
4 Albert Embankment, London, SE1 7SR,
from Monday, 2 March to Friday, 6 March 2020

(Session commences at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 2 March 2020)

Opening of the session

1 Adoption of the agenda

2 Decisions of other IMO bodies

3 New requirements for ventilation of survival craft (OW 47)

4 Consequential work related to the new International Code for Ships Operating in Polar Waters (OW 43)

5 Revision of SOLAS chapter III and the LSA Code

6 Review of SOLAS chapter II-2 and associated codes to minimize the incidence and consequences of fires on ro-ro spaces and special category spaces of new and existing ro-ro passenger ships (OW 36)

7 Amendments to Guidelines for the approval of fixed dry chemical powder fire-extinguishing systems for the protection of ship carrying liquefied gases in bulk (MSC.1/Circ.1315) (OW 39)

8 Amendments to chapter 9 of the FSS Code for fault isolation requirements for cargo ships and passenger ship cabin balconies fitted with individually identifiable fire detector systems (OW 27)

9 Requirements for onboard lifting appliances and anchor handling winches (OW 34)

10 Safety objectives and functional requirements of the Guidelines on alternative design and arrangements for SOLAS chapters II-1 and III (2.5)

1 Output number to be confirmed by the Council in due course.
Development of guidelines for cold ironing of ships and consideration of amendments to SOLAS chapters II-1 and II-2 (2.8)

Amendments to paragraph 4.4.7.6.17 of the LSA Code concerning single fall and hook systems with on-load release capability (6.14)

Revision of the Standardized Life-Saving Appliance Evaluation and Test Report Forms (MSC/Circ.980 and addenda) (1.27)

Revision of the Code of safety for diving systems (resolution A.831(19)) and the Guidelines and specifications for hyperbaric evacuation systems (resolution A.692(17))¹

Amendments to SOLAS chapter III, LSA Code and resolution MSC.81(70) to remove the applicability of the requirements to launch free-fall lifeboats with the ship making headway at speeds up to 5 knots in calm water²

Unified interpretation of provisions of IMO safety, security, and environment-related conventions (6.1)

Revision of the Guidelines for the maintenance and inspections of fixed carbon dioxide fire-extinguishing systems (MSC.1/Circ.1318)¹

Biennial status report and provisional agenda for SSE 8

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021

Any other business

Report to the Maritime Safety Committee

Notes:

1 In accordance with the document on Organization and method of work of the Maritime Safety Committee and the Marine Environment Protection Committee and their subsidiary bodies (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.1):

.1 documents should be received by the Secretariat as follows:¹ ²

.1 bulky documents³ (those containing more than six pages) by Friday, 29 November 2019 (13 week deadline);

.2 non-bulky documents (those containing six pages or fewer) and also bulky information documents by Friday, 27 December 2019 (9 week deadline); and

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² Documents other than information documents and reports from sub-committees, working, drafting, correspondence and other working groups and the Secretariat, and which contain more than 20 pages, in line with paragraph 6.11 of the annex to MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.1, will not be translated in their entirety. Such documents should include, for translation purposes, a summary not longer than four pages, with the technical content submitted as an annex in the language needed by working groups (i.e. English).

³ In the case of documents containing more than 50 pages, the provisions of paragraph 6.12.1 of MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.1 are to be applied.
documents commenting on those referred to in subparagraphs .1 and .2 above and containing four pages or fewer, by Friday, 10 January 2020 (7 week deadline). These documents should start with a paragraph clearly indicating the document on which comments are made and stating that the document is submitted in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 6.12.5 of MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.1;

for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing and be as concise as possible, and:

- all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with section 6 of the above-mentioned Organization and method of work;
- substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action that the Sub-Committee is invited to take; and
- information documents should conclude with a summary of the information they contain; and

the following word-processing format should be observed in order to standardize presentation:

- font: Arial;
- font size: 11;
- justification: full;
- margins: 2 cm top, 2.5 cm bottom, left and right.

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To facilitate processing, documents should be submitted in Microsoft Word, preferably by email to sse@imo.org. It should be noted that the file size limit for the IMO email system is set at 10 Mbytes. If submitters do not receive an acknowledgement receipt by the Secretariat within five working days, they should contact the Secretary of the Sub-Committee without delay.

2 The Maritime Safety Committee has recommended that the sub-committees should strictly observe the provisions in the annex to MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.1, which, inter alia, provide that the Secretariat should strictly apply the rules concerning the submission of documents and not accept late submissions from Member States or international organizations.

3 In order to improve access to information and increase transparency, submitters of meeting documents are invited to give their consent for their documents to be released to the public prior to the meeting by checking the "opt-in box" at the top right corner of the new document template provided on IMODOCS (pre-session public release). In the absence of explicit consent, submissions will not be released to the public prior to the meeting.

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