## Subject

Instructions by each Flag State regarding Guidance on Providing Safe Working Conditions for Securing Containers on Deck (CSS Code Annex 14)



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To whom it may concern

Instructions from the Administration of the U.K. (MCA) and the Administration of Liberia regarding IMO MSC.1/Circ. 1352 (CSS Code Annex 14) were announced in ClassNK Technical Information No. TEC-0995 dated 1 August 2014.

The Administration of Liberia has advised ClassNK about their instruction regarding the application of the CSS Code to Liberian flagged containerships as follows.

This Technical Information supersedes the previous ClassNK Technical Information No. TEC-0995 dated 1 August 2014.

Instruction from the Administration of Liberia

[Old] CSS Code Annex 14 is to be applied as a mandatory requirement.

[New] The Administration of Liberia encourages ship owners, operators, ship masters and crew to apply Resolution A.714(17) Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing (CSS Code) as amended by MSC/Circ.664, MSC/Circ.691, MSC/Circ.740, MSC/Circ.812, MSC/Circ.1026 and MSC.1/Circ.1352 (including MSC.1/Circ.1352/Rev.1) to Liberian flagged container ships and ships equipped for the carriage of containers.

In addition, instructions from the Administration of the U.K. (MCA) mentioned in ClassNK Technical Information No. TEC-0995 do not change as follows:

Instructions from MCA

- MSC.1/Circ. 1352 (CSS Code Annex 14) is to be applied to both UK flagged containerships, as well as to non-UK flagged container ships calling at UK ports as a mandatory requirement.
- The application of CSS Code Annex 14 is as follows:
  - Containerships with a date of keel laying on or after 1 January 2015 are subject to the provisions of Annex 14.
  - Existing containerships with a date of keel laying prior to 1 January 2015 are subject to the provisions of sections 4.4, 7.1, 7.3, and 8 in Annex 14; and
  - Existing containerships are subject to the provisions of sections 6 and 7.2 in Annex 14 as far as practical with the understanding that existing ships would not be required to be enlarged or undergo other major structural modification as determined by the flag State Administration. (Scope of application of Section 6 is mentioned in ClassNK Technical Information No. TEC-1026.)

(To be continued)

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