

Energy Efficiency of Ships

Amended Rules and Guidance

Rules for Marine Pollution Prevention Systems
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Reason for Amendment

An amendment to MARPOL Annex VI adopted in July 2011 went into effect on 1 January 2013. Accordingly, requirements related to the Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI) and Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) now apply to ships engaged in international voyages.

Relating to the above requirements, at the 64th Session of the IMO Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC64) held in October 2012, a unified interpretation which specifies the definitions of new ships subject to the Required EEDI and the time periods for the installation of SEEMP on board such ships, etc. was approved and circulated as MEPC.1/Circ.795. In addition, at MEPC 65 held in May 2013, it was agreed that the interpretation related to the application of SEEMP requirements was also amended by said circular.

Accordingly, relevant requirements are amended based upon MEPC.1/Circ.795 and the results of the deliberations at MEPC65.

Outline of Amendment

- (1) Added definitions for “new ships” corresponding to each phase to be used as criteria for the Required EEDI.
- (2) Added an interpretation for the definition of “major conversion” of ships.
- (3) Amended the application of the requirements related to SEEMP.
- (4) Amended requirements related to inspection periods and preparation.