

Subject

Instructions by the Administration of St. Vincent and the Grenadines regarding Guidance on Providing Safe Working Conditions for Securing of Containers on Deck (CSS Code Annex 14)

ClassNK

Technical Information

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To whom it may concern

1. General

Instructions from several flag states regarding the implementation of IMO MSC.1/Circ. 1352 (CSS Code Annex 14) were announced in ClassNK Technical Information No. TEC-0995 dated 1 August 2014 and No. TEC-0999 dated 13 August 2014.

The administration of St. Vincent and the Grenadines has advised relevant parties, including ClassNK, on their instructions regarding the application of this amendment, as per attached.

According to these instructions, Annex 14 of the CSS Code is to be applied as a mandatory requirement to St. Vincent and the Grenadines flagged vessels as follows.

2. Application of the CSS Code, Annex 14 (MSC.1/Circ.1352) for above Administration

- 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.

Please be advised that new ClassNK Technical Information circulars will be issued upon receipt of instructions from flag states other than the above.

(To be continued)

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1. Circular No. SOL 046



ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES
MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

CIRCULAR N° SOL 046

**REVISED GUIDELINES FOR THE PREPARATION OF
THE CARGO SECURING MANUAL
MSC.1/Circ.1352 AND MSC.1/Circ.1353**

**TO: SHIPOWNERS, SHIPS' OPERATORS AND
MANAGERS, SHIP BUILDERS, MASTERS,
RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS**

**APPLICABLE TO: ALL SHIPS WHICH CARRY, LOAD OR DISCHARGE
CARGO UNITS AND CARGO TRANSPORT UNITS**

EFFECTIVE AS FROM: Date of this Circular

Monaco, 19th October 2010

In accordance with regulations VI/5 and VII/5 of SOLAS 1974, as amended, cargo units and cargo transport units should be loaded, stowed and secured throughout the voyage in accordance with the Cargo Securing Manual approved by this Administration, which should be drawn up to a standard at least equivalent to the Guidelines developed by the Organization.

The Maritime Safety Committee, at its 87th Session in May 2010, approved the amendments to the Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing (CSS Code) for circulation as MSC.1/Circ.1352. The amendments includes Guidance on Providing Safe Working Conditions for Securing of Containers on Deck as a new annex 14 which is in the CSS Code.

The Maritime Safety Committee, at the same Session, also approved the Revised Guidelines for the Preparation of the Cargo Securing Manual for circulation as MSC.1/Circ.1353.

These Revised Guidelines are based on the provisions contained in the annex to MSC/Circ.745 but have been expanded to include the safe access for lashing of containers, taking into account the provisions of the Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing (CSS Code), as amended.

All parties concerned are advised to take into account the above amendments.

The Circulars MSC.1/Circ.1352 and MSC.1/Circ.1353 are hereby annexed.