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CSS Code

(Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing)

Amendments	Adopted		Effective date	Amendments to the Code	Remarks
	By	Date			
CSS Code*	Res. A.714(17)	06.Nov.1991	01.Jul.1996		Revokes resolution A.288(VIII). Mandatory under the 1994 amendments to Chap. VI/5 and Chap.VII/6 of SOLAS Convention .
1994 Amendments	MSC 64 MSC/Circ.664	09.Dec.1994	01.Jul.1996	1.9.1, 2.9.1, 3.2, Annex 13(new)	
1995 Amendments	MSC 65 MSC/Circ.691	01.Sep.2009	01.Jul.1996	1.6.2, Annex 5(4(new), existing 4~9(renumbered), 11(new))	
1996 Amendments	MSC 66 MSC/Circ.740	06.Jun.1996	31.Dec.1997	Annex 12(2.3, 2.4, 2.5(new))	
1997 Amendments	MSC 68 MSC/Circ.812	06.Dec.1996	31.Dec.1997	4.3.1, 6.1, Annex 13(table 1)	
2002 Amendments	MSC 75 MSC/Circ.1026	27.May.2002		Annex 13/sections 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, New Appendix 1 and Appendix 2	Only Annex 13 amended.
2010 Amendments	MSC 87 MSC/Circ.1352	30.Jun.2010	01.Jan.2015	New Annex 14	Refer to the cover page of MSC.1/Circ.1352 for effective date requirements.
2014 Amendments	MSC 94 MSC/Circ.1352/Rev.1	15.Dec.2014		Amend new Annex 14	MSC.1/Circ.1352/Rev.1 revokes MSC.1/Circ.1352
2020 Amendments	MSC 102 MSC.1/Circ.1623 MSC.1/Circ.1353/Rev.2 MSC.479(102)	7.Dec.2020 7.Dec.2020 11.Nov.2020		Amend Annex 13 Amend Appendix 2 Amend Appendix 4	MSC.1/Circ.1353/Rev.2 revokes MSC.1/Circ.1353/Rev.1 MSC.479(102) revokes A.581(14)

* Improper stowage and securing of cargoes has resulted in numerous casualties, not only at sea but also during loading and unloading. This Code aims to create an international standards in this area and is mandatory under SOLAS/Ch.VI/5 & Ch.VII/6. The Code provides general principles to be followed by shipowners and operators to minimize the risks to ships and personnel, offers advice on equipment and techniques, details cargoes known to create hazards and difficulties, and advises on actions to be taken in heavy seas and to remedy the effect of cargo shifting.

MSC 66 approved the postponement of the implementation date for the carriage of the Cargo Securing Manual by eighteen months but in any case not later than 31 December 1997.

Refer to MSC/Circ. 745 approved by MSC 66 on Guidelines for the preparation of the Cargo Securing Manual.