



NATIONAL SHIPPING ADJUSTERS



TECHNICAL LETTER No 07- 2024

FROM: NASHA Technical Department
TO: NASHA exclusive surveyors-Owner
SUBJECT: NEW CHANGES IN IMSBC DOCUMENTS
DATE: MAY 23rd, 2024

To: Organization Members / Surveyors

Good day.

Dear Exclusive Surveyors, the purpose of this letter is to inform you of the updates and *changes in the IMSBC procedures/certificates/report/module* that were revised taking into consideration the amendments as per:

- IMO Res. MSC.500(105) and IMO Res. MSC.539(107).

CODE	DOCUMENT	REVISION DATE	REVISION NO.
I-31- IMSBC	Instructive for the survey and issuance of the certificate of compliance with the international maritime Solid bulk cargoes (IMSBC) code	24/05/2024	04
IMSBC	Certificate of Compliance with the International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes Code	24/05/2024	01
IMSBC-PA	Certificate of Compliance with the International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes Code (Panama)	24/05/2024	06
IMSBC-IC	Certificate of Compliance with the International Maritime Solid Bulk Cargoes Code (Interim)	24/05/2024	05
IMSBC-SR	Report of surveys for IMSBC	24/05/2024	04
CONTROL LIST-IMSBC	Control of Documentation	24/05/2024	04
Module 31	Solid Bulk Cargoes	24/05/2024	02

MSC.500(105) include:

1. New definitions relating to the phenomenon of *"dynamic separation,"* including deliberations regarding the definition of "group A" cargoes One of the main changes included in the amendments relates to the definition and information concerning Group A Cargoes, or cargoes that may liquefy or undergo dynamic separation. The new definitions are as follows:

-Dynamic separation means the phenomenon of forming a liquid slurry (water and fine solids) above the solid material, resulting in a free surface effect which may significantly affect the ship’s stability.

-Group A consists of cargoes which pose a hazard due to moisture that may result in liquefaction or dynamic separation if shipped at a moisture content in excess of their transportable moisture limit.

2. New Appendix 1 cargo entries and deleted solid bulk cargoes in the IMSBC Appendix 1 “Individual schedule of solid bulk cargoes”



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3. New cargo entries have been added to the IMSBC Appendix 1, "Individual schedule of solid bulk cargoes" and some solid bulk cargoes have been deleted from the list.
4. Newly added solid bulk cargoes include ammonium nitrate-based fertilizer, clam shell and leach residue containing lead, among others.
5. Ammonium nitrate-based fertilizer (non-hazardous) and triple, granular superphosphate have been deleted from the list.

MSC.539(107) include:

1. New individual cargo schedules for celestine concentrate, celestine, crushed granodiorite fines, ground granulated blast furnace slag powder, and magnesite fines;
2. Alignment of the stabilization requirements for fish meal with the IMDG Code, and classification as MHB (SH) instead of class 9;
3. Alignment of the IMSBC Code with SOLAS on the declaration of solid bulk density, and a new MSC circular on bringing the issue to the attention of stakeholders; and MSC 107 approved amendments to MSC.1/Circ.1453/Rev.1 and MSC.1/Circ.1454/ Rev.1 regarding the inclusion of the expression ***“dynamic separation”***.

The amendments to the IMSBC Code will ***enter into force on 1 January 2025*** and may apply the aforementioned amendments in whole or in part on ***a voluntary basis as from 1 January 2024***.

Waiting for your confirmation of “SAFE RECEIPT, READ and UNDERSTANDING”.



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