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ANNEX 4

**RESOLUTION MSC.439(99)
(adopted on 24 May 2018)**

**AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF
SAFETY FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT, 2000 (2000 HSC CODE)**

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

NOTING resolution MSC.97(73), by which it adopted the International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft, 2000 ("the 2000 HSC Code"), which has become mandatory under chapter X of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974 ("the Convention"),

NOTING ALSO article VIII(b) and regulation X/1.2 of the Convention concerning the procedure for amending the 2000 HSC Code,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its ninety-ninth session, amendments to the 2000 HSC Code, proposed and circulated in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the Convention,

1 ADOPTS, in accordance with article VIII(b)(iv) of the Convention, amendments to the 2000 HSC Code, the text of which is set out in the annex to the present resolution;

2 DETERMINES, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vi)(2)(bb) of the Convention, that said amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2019, unless, prior to that date, more than one third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant fleet, have notified the Secretary-General of their objections to the amendments;

3 INVITES Contracting Governments to the Convention to note that, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vii)(2) of the Convention, the amendments shall enter into force on 1 January 2020 upon their acceptance in accordance with paragraph 2 above;

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FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT, 2000 (2000 HSC CODE)**

**CHAPTER 14
RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS**

14.2 Terms and definitions

1 In paragraph 14.2.1, the existing sub-paragraph .6 is amended to read as follows:

"*.6 Global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS) identities* means maritime mobile services identity, the craft's call sign, recognized mobile satellite service identities and serial number identity which may be transmitted by the craft's equipment and used to identify the craft."

2 In paragraph 14.2.1, the following new sub-paragraph .17 is added after existing sub-paragraph .16:

"*.17 Recognized mobile satellite service* means any service which operates through a satellite system and is recognized by the Organization, for use in the global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS)."

14.7 Radio equipment: General

3 In paragraph 14.7.1, the existing sub-paragraph .5 is amended to read as follows:

"*.5* a radio facility for reception of maritime safety information by a recognized mobile satellite service enhanced group calling system if the craft is engaged in voyages in sea area A1, or A2 or A3 but in which an international NAVTEX service is not provided. However, craft engaged exclusively in voyages in areas where an HF direct-printing telegraphy maritime safety information service is provided and fitted with equipment capable of receiving such service, may be exempt from this requirement.*"

* Refer to the *Recommendation on promulgation of maritime safety information*, adopted by the Organization by resolution A.705(17), as amended."

4 In paragraph 14.7.1, the existing sub-paragraph .6.1 is amended to read as follows:

"*.6.1* capable of transmitting a distress alert through the polar orbiting satellite service operating in the 406 MHz band;"

14.8 Radio equipment: Sea area A1

5 In paragraph 14.8.1, the existing sub-paragraph .5 is amended to read as follows:

"*.5* through a recognized mobile satellite service; this requirement may be fulfilled by:

5.1 a ship earth station;* or

- 5.2 the satellite EPIRB, required by 14.7.1.6, either by installing the satellite EPIRB close to, or by remote activation from, the position from which the craft is normally navigated.

* This requirement can be met by recognized mobile satellite service ship earth stations capable of two-way communications, such as Fleet-77 (resolution A.808(19) and MSC.130(75)) or Inmarsat-C (resolution A.807(19), as amended) ship earth stations. Unless otherwise specified, this footnote applies to all requirements for a recognized mobile satellite service ship earth station prescribed by this chapter."

14.9 Radio equipment: Sea areas A1 and A2

- 6 In paragraph 14.9.1, the existing sub-paragraph .3.3 is amended to read as follows:

"3.3 through a recognized mobile satellite service by a ship earth station."

- 7 In paragraph 14.9.3, the existing sub-paragraph .2 is amended to read as follows:

".2 a recognized mobile satellite service ship earth station."

14.10 Radio equipment: Sea areas A1, A2 and A3

- 8 In paragraph 14.10.1, the chapeau of existing sub-paragraph .1 is amended to read as follows:

".1 a recognized mobile satellite service ship earth station capable of:"

- 9 In paragraph 14.10.1, the existing sub-paragraph .4.3 is amended to read as follows:

".4.3 through a recognized mobile satellite service by an additional ship earth station."

- 10 In paragraph 14.10.2, the existing sub-paragraph 3.2 is amended to read as follows:

".3.2 through a recognized mobile satellite service by a ship earth station; and".

14.12 Watches

- 11 In paragraph 14.12.1, the existing sub-paragraph .4 is amended to read as follows:

".4 for satellite shore-to-ship distress alerts, if the craft, in accordance with the requirements of 14.10.1.1, is fitted with a recognized mobile satellite service ship earth station."

14.13 Sources of energy

- 12 In paragraph 14.13.2, the word "Inmarsat" is deleted from the second sentence.

Annex

**FORM OF HIGH-SPEED CRAFT SAFETY CERTIFICATE AND RECORD OF EQUIPMENT
RECORD OF EQUIPMENT FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF
SAFETY FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT, 2000**

- 13 In section 4, the existing description of item 1.4 is amended to read as follows:
- "Recognized mobile satellite service ship earth station".

ANNEX 3

**RESOLUTION MSC.438(99)
(adopted on 24 May 2018)**

**AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF
SAFETY FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT, 1994 (1994 HSC CODE)**

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

NOTING resolution MSC.36(63), by which it adopted the International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft ("the 1994 HSC Code"), which has become mandatory under chapter X of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974 ("the Convention"),

NOTING ALSO article VIII(b) and regulation X/1.1 of the Convention concerning the procedure for amending the 1994 HSC Code,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its ninety-ninth session, amendments to the 1994 HSC Code, proposed and circulated in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the Convention,

1 ADOPTS, in accordance with article VIII(b)(iv) of the Convention, amendments to the 1994 HSC Code, the text of which is set out in the annex to the present resolution;

2 DETERMINES, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vi)(2)(bb) of the Convention, that said amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2019, unless, prior to that date, more than one third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention or Contracting Governments, the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50% of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments;

3 INVITES Contracting Governments to the Convention to note that, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vii)(2) of the Convention, the amendments shall enter into force on 1 January 2020 upon their acceptance in accordance with paragraph 2 above;

4 REQUESTS the Secretary-General, for the purposes of article VIII(b)(v) of the Convention, to transmit certified copies of the present resolution and the text of the amendments contained in the annex to all Contracting Governments to the Convention;

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ANNEX

**AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF SAFETY
FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT, 1994 (1994 HSC CODE)**

**CHAPTER 14
RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS**

Craft should be provided with radiocommunications facilities as specified in chapter 14 of the 2000 HSC Code (resolution MSC.97(73)), as amended up to and including resolution 439(99), that are fitted and operated in accordance with the provisions of that chapter.

Annex

FORM OF SAFETY CERTIFICATE FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT
RECORD OF EQUIPMENT FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF
SAFETY FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT

12 In section 3, the existing description of item 1.4 is amended to read as follows:

"Recognized mobile satellite service ship earth station".

ANNEX 6

**RESOLUTION MSC.424(98)
(adopted on 15 June 2017)**

**AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF
SAFETY FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT, 2000 (2000 HSC CODE)**

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

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HAVING CONSIDERED, at its ninety-eighth session, amendments to the 2000 HSC Code proposed and circulated in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the Convention,

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ANNEX

**AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF SAFETY
FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT, 2000 (2000 HSC CODE)**

**Chapter 8
Life-saving appliances and arrangements**

8.10 Survival craft and rescue boats

1 Paragraphs 8.10.1.5 and 8.10.1.6 are replaced with the following:

- "5 notwithstanding the provision of .4 above, craft shall carry sufficient rescue boats to ensure that, in providing for abandonment by the total number of persons the craft is certified to carry:
 - 5.1 not more than nine of the liferafts provided in accordance with 8.10.1.1 are marshalled by each rescue boat; or
 - 5.2 if the Administration is satisfied that the rescue boats are capable of towing a pair of such liferafts simultaneously, not more than 12 of the liferafts provided in accordance with 8.10.1.1 are marshalled by each rescue boat; and
 - 5.3 the craft can be evacuated within the time specified in 4.8.
- .6 craft of less than 30 m in length may be exempted from carrying a rescue boat, provided the craft meets all of the following requirements:
 - 6.1 the craft is arranged to allow a helpless person to be recovered from the water in a horizontal or near-horizontal body position;
 - 6.2 recovery of the helpless person can be observed from the navigating bridge; and
 - 6.3 the craft is sufficiently manoeuvrable to close in and recover persons in the worst intended conditions."

ANNEX 5

**RESOLUTION MSC.423(98)
(adopted on 15 June 2017)**

**AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF SAFETY
FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT, 1994 (1994 HSC CODE)**

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

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NOTING ALSO article VIII(b) and regulation X/1.1 of the Convention concerning the procedure for amending the 1994 HSC Code,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its ninety-eighth session, amendments to the 1994 HSC Code proposed and circulated in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the Convention,

1 ADOPTS, in accordance with article VIII(b)(iv) of the Convention, amendments to the 1994 HSC Code, the text of which is set out in the annex to the present resolution;

2 DETERMINES, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vi)(2)(bb) of the Convention, that said amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2019 unless, prior to that date, more than one third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50 % of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments;

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6.1 the craft is arranged to allow a helpless person to be recovered from the water in a horizontal or near-horizontal body position;

6.2 recovery of the helpless person can be observed from the navigating bridge; and

6.3 the craft is sufficiently manoeuvrable to close in and recover persons in the worst intended conditions."

ANNEX 4

**RESOLUTION MSC.352(92)
(adopted on 21 June 2013)**

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NOTING ALSO article VIII(b) and regulation X/1.2 of the Convention concerning the procedure for amending the 2000 HSC Code,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its ninety-second session, amendments to the 2000 HSC Code proposed and circulated in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) of the Convention,

1. ADOPTS, in accordance with article VIII(b)(iv) of the Convention, amendments to the 2000 HSC Code, the text of which is set out in the annex to the present resolution;
2. DETERMINES, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vi)(2)(bb) of the Convention, that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 July 2014 unless, prior to that date, more than one third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50 per cent of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments;
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**AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF SAFETY
FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT, 2000 (2000 HSC CODE)**

**CHAPTER 18
OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- 1 After existing paragraph 18.5.3, a new paragraph is inserted as follows:

"18.5.4 Crew members with enclosed space entry or rescue responsibilities shall participate in an enclosed space entry and rescue drill, to be held on board the craft, at least once every two months."
- 2 The existing paragraphs 18.5.4 to 18.5.10 are renumbered as 18.5.5 to 18.5.11, respectively.
- 3 The first sentence of the renumbered paragraph 18.5.8.1 is amended to read:

"18.5.8.1 The date when musters are held, details of abandon craft drills and fire drills, drills of other life-saving appliances, enclosed space entry and rescue drills, and onboard training shall be recorded in such log-book as may be prescribed by the Administration."
- 4 After renumbered paragraph 18.5.11, a new subsection is inserted as follows:

"18.5.12 Enclosed space entry and rescue drills

18.5.12.1 Enclosed space entry and rescue drills should be planned and conducted in a safe manner, taking into account, as appropriate, the guidance provided in the recommendations developed by the Organization*.

* Refer to the *Revised Recommendations for entering enclosed spaces aboard ships*, adopted by the Organization by resolution A.1050(27).

18.5.12.2 Each enclosed space entry and rescue drill shall include:

 .1 checking and use of personal protective equipment required for entry;

 .2 checking and use of communication equipment and procedures;

 .3 checking and use of instruments for measuring the atmosphere in enclosed spaces;

 .4 checking and use of rescue equipment and procedures; and

 .5 instructions in first aid and resuscitation techniques.

18.5.12.3 The risks associated with enclosed spaces and onboard procedures for safe entry into such spaces which should take into account, as appropriate, the guidance provided in recommendations developed by the Organization*.

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ANNEX 3

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