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Subject: eBook Electronic Equivalence

Dear Mr. Macneil,

Further to your letter of "April 2012" regarding the above-mentioned subject, I can inform you as follows.

Dutch Legislation does not provide a legal base according to which we as a Flag State are required to evaluate and subsequently recognise the "Seamanship Library" to which you refer.

However, based upon the information submitted by you we see no objection against the application of the "Seamanship Library as depicted in your letter of "April 2012" on board of Dutch Flag vessels.

Please find attached, for your information, an electronic copy of the "Guidelines for the carriage of publications on board vessels flying the Dutch Flag."

Kind regards,

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Guideline for the carriage of nautical and other publications on board vessels flying the Dutch Flag (Versie KVNR/24-06-2011)

MSC-MEPC.2/Circ.2 of 1 June 2006, "IMO requirements on carriage of publications on board ships" provides the publications which are specifically required to be carried on board ships by IMO instruments.

In order to go into the required publications concerning the Nautical Charts and Publications and the publications required by the ISM Code in more detail, an extensive list covering all fields of application for all types of vessels, would be necessary. However, a full list of publications in this guideline is too prescriptive of requirement and is in contradiction with the so called functional goal (goal-based regulations). If the Shipping Company or the master considers it important that the crew have certain knowledge about SOLAS requirements or MARPOL requirements, etc., it should be up to the company to decide whether such publications should be carried on board. Shipowners are deemed to consider an extensive prescriptive list issued by the Flag State to be an excessive administrative burden and wish to have this as their own responsibility and not regulated by statutory requirements.

A copy of the appendix of MSC-MEPC.2/Circ.2 is included below:

| Name of publication | Latest edition | IMO nr | Required by | Applicable ship | Remarks |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| IBC Code | 2007 | E/IC100E | IBC, paragraph 16.2.1 | Chemical Tankers | Built on or after 1 July 1986 |
| BCH Code | 2008 | E/IC772E | BCH, paragraph 5.2.1 | Chemical Tankers | Built before 1 July 1986 |
| IGC Code | 1993 | E/I104E* | IGC, paragraph 18.1.3 | Gas Carrier | Built on or after 1 July 1986 |
| International Code of Signals ² | 2005 | IA994E | SOLAS V/21.1 | All ships | |
| IAMSAR Manual Volume III ² | 2010 | E/IG962E* | SOLAS V/21.2 | All ships | |
| Nautical Charts & Publications ³ | | | SOLAS V/19.2.1 & V/27 | All ships | Official digital publications permitted |
| Publications required by ISM Code | | | ISM Code, paragraphs 1.2.3 and 11.3 | All ships | Required publications are those specifically mentioned to be carried by the ship's SMS manual. |
| ODS Logbook | | | MARPOL Annex VI Reg.12 | All ships | Additional logbook for ships with ODS (Ozon-depleting substances) containing systems or equipment. |

Publications required to be carried on board ships in accordance with applicable international instruments¹



Note:

¹ All publications on board ships, regardless of format, should be the latest editions or duly corrected up to date. In case where copies of national regulations incorporating the provisions of the required instruments are provided on board, publications of such instruments need not be carried on board. Unless stated otherwise, official digital publications are permitted.

² These publications for emergency use should always be available on board ships in the form of hard copy.

³ Nautical Charts & Publications*

- 1) Adequate and up to date charts for the intended voyage
 - 2) Up to date chart catalogue
 - 3) Admiralty Sailing Directions
 - 4) Admiralty List of Lights
 - 5) NTM's
 - 6) Admiralty Tide Tables
 - 7) Mariners handbook
 - 8) Nautical Almanac
 - 9) Navigational Tables
 - 10) Admiralty List Of Radio Signals Volumes I to VI (GMDSS)
 - 11) Tidal stream atlases
 - 12) Ocean Passages for the World
- * List not limitative

Additional for GMDSS, the books below are not required on Dutch flagged vessel but will be advised as they can be requested by PSC:

- 1) ITU Manual for Use by the Maritime Mobile and Maritime Mobile-Satellite Services (Maritime Manual), edition 2011
- 2) ITU List IV - List of Coast Stations, 22nd edition 2010
- 3) ITU List V – List of Ship Stations and Maritime Mobile Service Identity Assignments, 50th edition 2010

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Publications required to be carried on board Dutch vessels in accordance with applicable national instruments.¹

| Name of publication | Latest edition | IMO nr | Required by | Applicable ship | Remarks |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| "Netherlands merchant shipping legislation" / "Wetgeving voor de zeevaart" (SDU) ⁴ | 2011 | | Wetboek van Koophandel art. 347 | All Dutch ships | |
| Captain's medical guide / <i>Geneeskundig handboek voor zeevaart</i> | 2011 | | Art. 25.1 RVZ ⁵ | All ships unless a vessel is sailing only in the A1 area, there is no exception for a passenger vessel. | |
| "EHBO-boekje" Rode kruis | | | Art. 25.1/4 RVZ ⁵ | A1 <30 NM of European country, all vessels except passenger vessels | |
| IMDG Code Supplement this includes: EMS Guide (available in ENG/Dutch) MFAG | 2010 | IH210E | Paragraph 3.1.2 of BC Code / art. 25 lid 2 RVZ ⁵ | Ships carrying dangerous cargoes (SOLAS Ch. VII) | |
| ATP-2(B) VOL II naval co-operation and guidance for shipping manual (NCAGS) Guide to Owners, Operators, Masters and Officers ⁶ | 2006 | | Required by NATO | All ships carrying the flag of a NATO country ⁷ | |

Note:

⁴ All Dutch legislation can found in English or Dutch at cd-rom / book of SDU "Netherlands merchant shipping legislation" / "Wetgeving voor de zeevaart" <http://www.sdu.nl/catalogus/LBSCHE> this contains at least:

- Part of "Wetboek van koophandel"
- Schepelingenbesluit
- Schepenwet, uitvoeringsbesluiten en bekendmakingen
- WVVS Wet voorkoming van verontreiniging door schepen
- Part of "ARBO wet"

⁵ RVZ Regeling Veiligheid Zeeschepen

⁶ This document can be found on: <http://www.shipping.nato.int/NCAGS0/ATP2Bdownl/file/WFS/atp-02%2528B%2529v02.pdf>

⁷ The list of NATO countries can be found on: http://www.nato.int/cps/en/SID-10267BE9-9EBCFB97/natolive/nato_countries.htm



The table below provides guidance on important international regulatory materials easy access to which can be useful for mariners on board ship as well as provide guidance on publications that can be listed, as appropriate, in the SMS manual, or relevant extracts from which can be included in the SMS manual.

Publications recommended for carriage on board ships in accordance with applicable international instruments ⁸

| Name of publication | Latest edition | IMO nr | Required by | Applicable ship | Remarks |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| | | | | All ships | |
| SOLAS | 2009 | IE110E* | | All ships | |
| MARPOL | 2006 | IC520E* | | All ships | |
| International conference on Loadline | 2005 | E/IB701E | | All ships | |
| STCW Inc. 2010 Manila amendments | 2011 | IC938E* | | All ships except fishing vessels | |
| STCW-F | 1996 | E/I915E | | Fishing vessels | |
| Collision Regulations Convention (COLREGS) | 2003 | E/IB904E* | | All ships | |
| Tonnage Measurements of ships 1969 | 1970 | E/I713E | | All ships | |
| ISM Code & Guidelines | 2010 | E/IB117E | | All ships | |
| Life-saving appliances including LSA code | 2010 | E/ID982E* | | All ships | |
| Fire Safety Systems (FSS) Code | 2007 | E/IA155E | | All ships | |
| ISPS Code | 2003 | E/I116E | | All ships | |
| Bridge procedures guide | 4 th 2007 | | | All ships | |
| "Dat is juist", handleiding voor veilig werken aan boord / That is correct, manual for safe working on board ⁹ | | | | | |
| IMO Standard Marine Communication Phrases (SMCP) | 2002 | E/ IA987E | | All ships to which SOLAS chapter I applies | |
| | | | | Type related | |
| High Speed Craft (2000 HSC) | 2008 | E/IA575E* | | High speed craft | Built on and after 1 July 2002 |
| High Speed Craft (1994 HSC) | 1995 | E/I187E* | | High speed craft | Built on and after 1 January 1996 and before 1 July 2002 |
| 2009 MODU Code | 2010 | E/I810E* | | Mobile offshore drilling unit | Built on and after 1 Jan 2012 |
| MODU Code | 2001 | E/IA811E | | Mobile offshore drilling unit | Built before 1 Jan 2012 |
| Carriage of cargo & persons by OSV | 2001 | E/I288E* | | Offshore supply vessels | |



| | | | | Cargo related | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Grain Code | 1991 | I240E | | Ships carrying grains | |
| GC Code | 1983 | I782E | | Gas Carrier | Built before 1 July 1986 |
| IMDG Code | 2010 | IH200E | | Ships carrying dang. goods | |
| Maritime Carriage of Nuclear Substances | 1972 | E429B | | Ships carrying INF cargoes | |
| IMSBC Code | 2009 | E/IE260E | | Bulk carriers | IMSBC will replace BC |
| BLU Code | 2011 | IA266E* | Paragraph 7 of introduction of BLU Code | Bulk carriers | |
| Cargo Stowage & Securing (CSS) Code | 2011 | IB292E* | | Cargo securing | |
| Code of safe practice for ships carrying timber deck cargoes | 2011 | I275E | | Ships carrying timber on deck | |
| Convention for safe containers (CSC) | 1996 | E/IA282E | | Ships carrying containers | |
| | | | | Operations related | |
| ICS Guide to helicopter/ship operations | 4 th 2009 | | | Ships involved in helicopter operations | |
| Best management practices (BIMCO) ¹⁰ | 3 rd | | | Ships sailing through piracy areas | |
| IMO Guidelines for ships operating in polar waters. | 2010 | E/I190E | | Ships sailing in polar regions | |

Note:

⁸ These publications are optional and, therefore, no deficiency or non-conformity should be filed by Port State control authorities, surveyors and/or ISM auditors against ships not carrying these publications unless such publications are required by the ship's Administration and/or SMS manual. All publications on board ships, regardless of format, should be the latest editions or duly corrected up to date.

⁹ "Dat is juist, handleiding voor veilig werken aan boord" (That is correct, manual for safe working on board) this book is available in ENG/NL and can be ordered free of charge by sending an email to: info@scheepvaartnet.nl

¹⁰ This document can be found at <https://www.bimco.org/~media/Security/Piracy/BMP-Ver3.ashx>

E/ = also available as e-book, E-book is E(number)E, for a printed book it is I(number)E

*** = Supplements and inserts can be found at: <http://www.imo.org/Publications/SupplementsAndCDs/Pages/SupplementsInserts.aspx>**

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