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SOLAS: - Ch. III Life-saving Appliances & Arrangements, Part B, Reg. 19, and

- Ch. V Safety of Navigation, Reg. 19

Please be advised of the enclosed MSC.350(92) regarding amendments to SOLAS on – amongst other

- Emergency training and drills (Ch. III, Part B, Reg. 19), og
- Carriage requirements for shipborne navigational systems and equipment (Ch. V, Reg. 19)

In respect of **Ch. III, Part B, Reg. 19**, we draw your particular attention to the **new paragraph 3.3**, which requires that

- "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 ship at least once every two months."

We take the opportunity to remind you that notes from such drills must be duly logged and recorded. After entry into force on **1 January** 2015, PSC Officers will be assessing that such drills have taken place in accordance with the new requirements. Hence, your earliest implementation is advised.

Regarding IMO's guidelines on gas detection instruments, please also confer our Technical Newsletter No. **08**/2014.

In respect of **Ch. V, Reg. 19** on the carriage requirements for shipborne navigational systems and equipment, we advise that you note the dates of deadline for the fitting of the system on cargo ships, as follows

- Ships of 3,000 GRT and larger not later than the 1st survey after 1 Jan. 2016
- Ships of 500 GRT and larger (but less than 3000 GRT) not later than the 1st survey after 1 Jan. 2017
- Ships of 150 GRT and upwards (but less than 500 GRT), not later than the 1st survey after 1 Jan. 2018.

Please note MSC.1/Circ1429, which clarifies that the Performance Standards for devices to measure and indicate speed and distance, given in resolution MSC.96(72), have been amended accordingly. These amendments are published in resolution MSC.334(90) and apply to devices installed on ships constructed on or **after 1 July 2014**.

Encl. MSC.390(92). MSC.1/Circ.1429 For easy reference: MSC.96/72) MSC.334(90)