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Keeping updated on new and retroactive requirements from IMO can be a challenge. Here is a summary with the most important IMO requirements entering into force during the next two-year period.

This information is recommended to Technical, Safety, Quality and Operation departments of shipping companies, but there is also information relevant for yards and newbuilding departments. The IMO amendments that enter into force the following two years refer to the following Conventions/ Codes SOLAS, NOx Technical Code, MLC 2006, FSS Code, PSPC Code and LL.

Convention/ Code	Regulation	Date of entry into force	Applicable to	Subject
SOLAS	V/19.2.2.3.4 (new sub-para.3.4)	2013-07-01 First safety equipment survey after.	Cargo vessels, keel-laid <= 2011-06-30, GT >= 500, GT <= 2999.	Bridge navigational watch alarm system (BNWAS) required and shall be in operation whenever the ship is underway at sea.
SOLAS	V/19.2.10.3 (new sub-para.10.3)	2013-07-01	Bulk carriers and non-tanker/ -bulk cargo vessels, keel-laid >= 2013-07-01, GT >= 10000. (Non-tankers)	Electronic Chart Display and Information System (ECDIS) required, i.e. no longer only an option.
NOx Technical Code 2008	Ch.2, para. 2.2.4 replaced by 2.2.4.1 & 2.2.4.2	2013-08-01	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels, GT >= 400. Applies to all diesel engines with output of more than 130 kW and installed on or after 2010-07-01.	Para. 2.2.4 has been replaced by 2.2.4.1 & 2.2.4.2 to give a better overview about requirements to onboard tests. Para. 2.2.5.1: has been replaced to give more details on how to apply NOx reducing devices.
MLC 2006		2013-08-20	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels.	The Maritime Labour Convention (MLC), 2006 enters into force.
SOLAS	II-1/8-1	2014-01-01 (expected)	Passenger vessels, keel-laid >= 2014-01-01.	New sub-para. .3 added which requires onboard stability computer or shore-based support to provide stability calculation for safe return to port after flooding.

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SOLAS	III/20.11.2.4 (new sub-para. .4)	2014-01-01 (expected)	All cargo vessels. Free-fall lifeboat.	The new sub-para .4 states that the five-yearly overload test of free-fall lifeboat release systems can be done either with only operating crew on board, or by a simulated launching in accordance with MSC.1/Circ.1206/Rev.1.
SOLAS	V/14.2	2014-01-01 (expected)	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels.	Replaced with a new paragraph instructing the Administration to establish appropriate minimum safe manning following a transparent procedure.
SOLAS	VI/5-1 (new reg.)	2014-01-01 (expected)	All cargo vessels. Carriage of bulk liquid cargoes.	New regulation 5-1 prohibiting blending of bulk liquid cargoes and production processes during sea voyages.
SOLAS	VII/4	2014-01-01 (expected)	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels. Carriage of dangerous goods.	Regulation replaced with new text clarifying that transport documentation shall be in accordance with the IMDG Code.
SOLAS	XI-1/2	2014-01-01 (expected)	All bulk carriers and oil tankers.	Guidelines for enhanced survey program has been replaced by the 2011 ESP Code (adopted by A.1049(27)).
HSC Code 2000	Ch. 14.15.10.1	2014-01-01 (expected)	All HSC/ DSC.	Sub-para. .1 replaced with new text clarifying that annual test of EPIRB both for passenger craft and cargo craft shall be carried out at intervals within 3 months before the expiry date, or 3 months before or after the anniversary date, of the HSC Safety Certificate.
FSS Code	Ch. 6	2014-01-01 (expected)	Cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels, keel-laid >= 2014-01-01.	The existing text of Ch. 6 is modified. The new Ch.6 defines more in detail the minimum requirements for such foam systems. Fire and component testing are now required for both inside air foam systems and conventional high expansion foam system, hence type approval certificate according to IMO MSC.1/Circ. 1384 is required for all such systems when the FSS Code is in force.
FSS Code	Ch. 8.2.1.1	2014-01-01 (expected)	Cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels, keel-laid >= 2014-01-01.	New sentence included describing permitted systems for control stations, where water may cause damage to essential equipment.
IMDG Code		2014-01-01 (expected)	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels. Ships carrying dangerous goods.	Minor changes throughout the Code.
LL	Annex B/ Annex II/ Reg. 47	2014-01-01 (expected)	All cargo vessels and passenger vessels.	New definition of the northern boundary of the Southern Winter Seasonal Zone.

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