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The IMO's Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) finished up its 71st meeting Friday with new resolutions on ballast water management and carbon dioxide emissions.

The most noteworthy resolution to emerge from MEPC 71 was a new implementation scheme for ballast water management (BWM) requirements. The new plan requires compliance with the Ballast Water Management Convention standards at the first or second IOPP renewal survey after September 2017, subject to certain conditions. This will allow existing vessels to continue operating without a retrofitted ballast water treatment system until as late as 2024, depending upon the particular timeline of their IOPP surveys – up to two years later than previously allowed, and twenty years after the Convention was first adopted.

REFERENCES:

- BWM

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