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To	All Surveyors/Auditors. All flags
Title	HSSC Survey Guidelines
Reference	MARPOL Annex VI & SOLAS

Updates to the HSSC Survey Guidelines

The IMO Sub-Committee received the report of an intersessional correspondence group tasked to make progress on revisions to the **Survey Guidelines Under the Harmonized System of Survey and Certification (HSSC), 2021 (HSSC Survey Guidelines, A.1156(32))**.

The needed revisions will update the HSSC Survey Guidelines to include relevant survey requirements for mandatory instruments due to enter into force up to and including December 31, 2023.

Requirements planned to be incorporated into the HSSC Survey Guidelines include:

1) MARPOL Annex VI:

- a. Acknowledgement of UNSP Barge exemption certificates
- b. Confirmation of updates to the SEEMP
- c. Confirmation of attained EEXI
- d. Verification of attained annual operational CII

2) SOLAS

- a. New towing and mooring equipment requirements in regulation II-1/3-8
- b. New requirements on openings in shell plating, regulation II-1/15
- c. New requirements on water level detectors on multiple hold cargo ships, regulation II-1/25.1
- d. New requirements on launching of lifeboats while making headway at up to five knots in calm water, regulation III/33 However, due to time constraints, the Sub-Committee was not able to review the draft amendments to the HSSC Survey Guidelines

Discussions on this subject will continue in an intersessional correspondence group and at III 9 (July 2023). The correspondence group will be tasked to further develop and finalize amendments

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to the Survey Guidelines Under the HSSC, 2021 (resolution A.1156(32)) and the Revised Guidelines on the Implementation of the ISM Code by Administrations (resolution A.1118(30)), for finalization at III 9 and subsequent adoption at IMO Assembly, 33rd session (A 33) (Dec. 2023).

REFERENCES:

- HSSC Survey Guidelines, A.1156(32)

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