

## IMO UNIQUE COMPANY AND REGISTERED OWNER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER SCHEME (NMA\_C5.2018.Rev.0)

## **PURPOSE:**

To provide guidance on application of Company IMO number to ship owners / managers managing vessels of 100 gross tonnages and above engaged in international voyages.

## **REFERENCE:**

- a) IMO Resolution MSC.160 (78)
- b) IMO Circular letter No. 2554/Rev.3

## **CONTENTS:**

- 1) The IMO Unique Company and Registered Owner Identification Number (Company IMO Number) Scheme was introduced through the adoption by the Maritime Safety Committee (MSC), at its seventy-eighth session (12 to 21 May 2004), of resolution MSC.160(78), as a measure to enhance maritime safety, security and environmental protection, and to facilitate the prevention of maritime fraud.
- 2) The Company IMO Number is a permanent number for identification purposes which is assigned to each company and/or registered owner managing vessels of 100 gross tonnages and above engaged on international voyages. The procedures for the implementation is highlighted in reference (b).
- 3) As per the requirements of SOLAS regulation XI-1/3-1 and 5, the Company IMO number shall be inserted in the following documents:
  - a) Continuous Synopsis Record
  - b) Document of Compliance ISM code
  - c) Safety Management Certificate ISM code
  - d) International Ship Security Certificate ISPS Code
- 4) The Company IMO number is allocated by IHS Maritime, and the label begins with the letters "IMO" followed by either "Company" or "Registered Owner", then, followed by the seven digits. Once assigned, the Company IMO number remains unchanged for a company and/or registered owner.
- 5) Registered Owners/Ship Managers may obtain the Company IMO number without charge from IHS Maritime, through the following methods:
  - a) Online application through free website (https://imonumbers.lrfairplay.com), which allows registered users to look up Numbers, by using the available "Search" facility. The website has a free user registration system to enhance both the security of the site and the information (recommended); or
  - b) Paper Forms available from our website or from IHS Maritime's website.

6) The Company IMO Numbers are also available for search on the IMO Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GISIS) module on "Ship Particulars" and on the free public website (www.equasis.org), mobile website (mobile.equasis.org) or apps of Equasis.

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