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**Subject:** Amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) for construction and safety equipment

## Scope

This bulletin applies to:

- SOLAS Convention vessels, and
- domestic vessels subject to:
  - the [Vessel Construction and Equipment Regulations](#), and
  - [Part 1 of the Vessel Fire Safety Regulations](#)

## Purpose

Amendments to the *International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea* (SOLAS) that relate to construction and safety equipment came into force on January 1, 2024, and other amendments will come into force on July 1, 2024.

## What you need to know

The following resolutions have been adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee and come into force in 2024:

### RESOLUTION MSC.474(102) in force on **January 1, 2024**

- Definition of “ships constructed”: amendment to regulation II-1/1.3
- Towing and mooring equipment: amendment to regulation II-1/3-8
- Stability calculation of the factor S<sub>i</sub>: amendment to regulation II-1/7-2.5
- Collision bulkhead piercing by a pipe: new regulation II-1/12.6.2
- Openings in watertight bulkheads on passenger ships: amendment to regulation II-1/13
- Openings in shell plating of passenger ships and freeboard deck of cargo ships:
  - amendment to regulation II-1/15.9
  - new regulation II-1/15.10

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3. Equipment
4. Convention
5. Hull

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- Internal watertight integrity on passenger ships:
  - amendment to regulation II-1/17.1
  - new regulations II-1/17.2 and 17.3
- Hull integrity: amendment to regulation II-1/17-1.1
- Damage control information: new regulation II-1/19.5
- Operation and inspection of watertight doors in passenger ships: amendment to regulation II-1/21.1
- Prevention of water ingress:
  - amendments to regulations II-1/22.5, 22.6 and 22.14
  - new regulation II-1/22.7

**RESOLUTION MSC.482(103) in force on **January 1, 2024****

- Water level detectors on cargo ships: new regulation II-1/25-1
- Survival craft launching: amendment to regulation III/33.2

**RESOLUTION MSC.521(106) in force on **July 1, 2024****

- Safety measures for ships carrying industrial personnel: new chapter XV
- [International Code of Safety for Ships Carrying Industrial Personnel \(IP Code\)](#)