

RESOLUTION MSC.26(60)

(adopted on 10 April 1992)

ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 11-1 OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974 EXISTING RO-RO PASSENGER SHIPS

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

RECALLING FURTHER article VIII(b) of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, hereinafter referred to as "the Convention", concerning the procedures for amending the Annex to the Convention, other than the provisions of chapter I,

RECALLING ALSO that by resolution A.596(15) the Assembly resolved that the Organization give a high priority to its work aimed at enhancing the safety of passenger ro-ro ferries,

HAVING CONSIDERED at its sixtieth session amendments to the Convention proposed and circulated in accordance with article VIII(b)(i) thereof,

1. ADOPTS, in accordance with article VIII(b)(iv) of the Convention, the amendments to the Convention, the text of which is set out in the Annex to the present resolution;
2. DETERMINES, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vi)(2)(bb) of the Convention, that the amendments shall be deemed to have been accepted on 1 April 1994 unless, prior to that date, more than one third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention, or Contracting Governments the combined merchant fleets of which constitute not less than 50 per cent of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant fleet, have notified their objections to the amendments;
3. INVITES Contracting Governments to note that, in accordance with article VIII(b)(vii)(2) of the Convention, the amendments shall enter into force on 1 October 1994 upon their acceptance in accordance with paragraph 2 above;
4. REQUESTS the Secretary-General, in conformity with article VIII(b)(v) of the Convention, to transmit certified copies of the present resolution and the text of the amendments contained in the Annex to all Contracting Governments to the Convention;
5. FURTHER REQUESTS the Secretary-General to transmit copies of the resolution to Members of the Organization which are not Contracting Governments to the Convention.

ANNEX

AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 11-1 OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974

Regulation 1 - Application

Existing paragraph 3 is renumbered as paragraph 3.1 and the following new paragraph 3.2 is inserted after paragraph 3.1:

"3.2 Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 3.1, passenger ships which undergo repairs, alterations and modifications to meet the requirements of regulation 8.9 shall not be deemed to have undergone repairs, alterations and modifications of a major character."

Regulation 8 - Stability of passenger ships in damaged condition

1 The existing text following the title is replaced by the following:

"(Subject to the provisions of paragraph 9, paragraphs 2.3.1 to 2.3.4, 2.4, 5 and 6.2 apply to passenger ships constructed on or after 29 April 1990. Paragraphs 7.2, 7.3 and 7.4 apply to all passenger ships)".

2 The following new paragraph 2.3.5 is added after existing paragraph 2.3.4:

"2.3.5 For passenger ships with ro-ro cargo spaces or special category spaces as defined in regulation II-2/3, constructed before 29 April 1990, the Administration may allow:

.1 reduction of the minimum range of the residual righting lever curve defined in paragraph 2.3.1; and

.2 calculation of the residual righting lever (GZ) referred to in paragraph 2.3.3 by the following formula:

$$\text{GZ (in metres)} = \text{heeling moment} / \text{displacement}$$

provided that in no case shall GZ be less than 0.09 m."

3 The following new paragraph 9 is inserted after existing paragraph 8 :

"9 Passenger ships with ro-ro cargo spaces or special category spaces as defined in regulation II-2/3, constructed before 29 April 1990, shall comply with the provisions of this regulation as amended by resolution MSC.12(56) and with additional paragraph 2.3.5, not later than the date prescribed below, according to the value of A/Amax as defined in the annex to the Calculation Procedure to Assess the Survivability Characteristics of Existing Ro-Ro Passenger Ships When Using a Simplified Method Based Upon Resolution A.265(VIII), developed by the Maritime Safety Committee at its fifty-ninth session in June 1991 (MSC/Circ.574):

Value of A/Amax	Date of compliance
less than 70%	1 October 1994
70% or more but less than 75%	1 October 1996
75% or more but less than 85%	1 October 1998
85% or more but less than 90%	1 October 2000
90% or more but less than 95%	1 October 2005

The provisions of this regulation need not be applied to ships having the value of A/Amax of 95% or more."
