



# Technical Circular

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**To whomsoever it may concern**

**Subject: RMI marine notice regarding Carriage of Solid Bulk Cargoes.**

- Republic of Marshall Islands has issued revised marine notice no. 2-011-23 (copy attached) regarding carriage of Solid Bulk cargoes. This notice supersedes Rev.01/16.
- Vessels carrying solid bulk cargoes are required to comply with the revised requirement of the IMSBC code which applicable from 01 January 2017.
- Salient points of the notice are as follows:
  1. The companies shall ensure that master and crew involve in the provision of the IMSBC code, including safety measure contained therein to be incorporated into their safety management system.
  2. Effective from 01 January 2017, Hazardous to marine environment (HME) and non-hazardous to marine environment (non-HME) cargo to be declared by shipper along with other requirement of IMSBC code section 4.2.
  3. IMSBC code section 7 & section 8 to be followed for loading and carriage of cargo, which are subject to liquefaction.
  4. No exemption permitted to the requirement listed in IMSBC code for the carriage of Direct Reduced Iron (A), Direct Reduced Iron (B) and Direct Reduced Iron (C) cargo.
  5. Following documentation to be kept on board for each ship carrying dangerous goods in solid form in bulk:
    - a. special list or manifest setting forth the dangerous goods on board and the location thereof, in accordance with SOLAS Regulation VII/7-2.2;
    - b. appropriate instructions on emergency response to incidents involving the cargoes; and
    - c. Document of Compliance per SOLAS Regulation II-2/19.4.
    - d. Copy of IMSBC code
  6. New certificate to be issued if the carriage requirement of the cargo listed in existing certificate has changed or new cargo to be included in existing list; otherwise certificate issued to the vessel will remain valid.

7. Ship owners/ operators and masters are advised to be guided by above.

**Enclosure:**

1. RMI Marine Notice no. 2-011-23 (copy attached) reg. carriage of Solid Bulk cargoes.

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