

SUB-COMMITTEE ON FIRE PROTECTION  
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Agenda item 1

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**PROVISIONAL AGENDA\***

**for the fifty-sixth session of the Sub-Committee, to be held  
at IMO Headquarters, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR,  
from Monday, 7 to Friday, 11 January 2013**

**(Session commences at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 7 January 2013)**

- Opening of the session and election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2013
- 1 Adoption of the agenda
  - 2 Decisions of other IMO bodies
  - 3 Development of measures to prevent explosions on oil and chemical tankers transporting low-flashpoint cargoes
  - 4 Development of requirements for the fire resistance of ventilation ducts
  - 5 Review of fire protection requirements for on-deck cargo areas
  - 6 Review of the recommendations on evacuation analysis for new and existing passenger ships
  - 7 Development of requirements for additional means of escape from machinery spaces
  - 8 Development of requirements for ships carrying hydrogen and compressed natural gas vehicles
  - 9 Consideration of IACS unified interpretations
  - 10 Harmonization of the requirements for the location of entrances, air inlets and openings in the superstructures of tankers
  - 11 Development of unified interpretations for chapter 7 of the 2000 HSC Code
  - 12 Development of guidelines for use of fibre reinforced plastic (FRP) within ship structures

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\* Subject to approval by MSC 90.

- 13 Analysis of fire casualty records
- 14 Development of amendments to SOLAS chapter II-2, the FTP Code and MSC/Circ.1120 to clarify the requirements for plastic pipes on ships
- 15 Consideration of amendments to SOLAS chapter II-2 on location of EEBDs
- 16 Development of amendments to the requirements for foam-type fire-extinguishers in SOLAS regulation II-2/10.5
- 17 Development of amendments to SOLAS regulation II-2/20 and associated guidance on air quality management for ventilation of closed vehicle spaces, closed ro-ro and special category spaces
- 18 Biennial agenda and provisional agenda for FP 57
- 19 Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2014
- 20 Any other business
- 21 Report to the Maritime Safety Committee

**Notes:**

1 In accordance with the Guidelines on the organization and method of work of the MSC and the MEPC and their subsidiary bodies (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.4):

- .1 documents should be received in the Secretariat as follows:<sup>\*</sup>
  - .1 documents (including information documents) containing more than 6 pages of text (bulky documents) by **Friday, 5 October 2012**;
  - .2 non-bulky documents and bulky information documents, if submitted in electronic format, by **Friday, 2 November 2012**; and
  - .3 documents containing 4 pages or less, commenting on those referred to in subparagraphs .1 and .2 above, by **Friday, 16 November 2012** (see also paragraph 6.12.5 of the Committees' Guidelines);
- .2 for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing, be as concise as possible, and:
  - .1 all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with section 6 of the above-mentioned Guidelines;

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\* The following should be noted:

- .1 for documents exceeding the number of pages specified, the provisions of paragraph 6.12.1 of the Guidelines will apply; and
- .2 documents other than information documents, which contain more than 20 pages, will not be translated into all working languages in their entirety and should include, for translation purposes, a summary of the document not longer than four pages, with the technical content submitted as an annex in the language needed by working groups (e.g. English).

- .2 substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action which the Sub-Committee is invited to take; and
  - .3 information documents should conclude with a summary of the information contained therein;
  - .3 the following word-processing format should be observed in order to standardize the presentation of documents:
    - font: Arial;
    - font size: 11 pt;
    - justification: full;
    - margins: 2 cm top; 2.5 cm bottom, left and right.
- In this respect, a template is available on the IMODOCS website for use in the preparation of documents; and
- .4 to facilitate the processing of documents, they should be accompanied by a USB flash drive, preferably in Microsoft Word, where available, or sent via e-mail in Microsoft Word to IMO's e-mail address **info@imo.org**.

2 The MSC has recommended that the provisions of the above Committees' Guidelines, which, inter alia, provide that the Secretariat should strictly apply the rules concerning the submission of documents and not accept late submissions from Governments or delegations, should be strictly observed.

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