

Maritime Labour Convention

Amended Rules and Guidance

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Reason for Amendment

The Maritime Labour Convention, which was adopted by the International Labour Organization (hereinafter referred to as the “ILO”) in 2006 contains various requirements applicable to shipowners; for example, some of the things the convention requires of a shipowner are covering of the cost of seafarer repatriation in the case of employment contract expiration and the financial compensation in the event of long-term disability resulting from an occupational injury.

The ILO, having reviewed the above-mentioned requirements, approved amendments to the Maritime Labour Convention at the 103rd session of its general conference held in June 2014. These amendments specify the following: additional measures to cover costs in cases where a shipowner fails to cover the cost of seafarer repatriation as well as details related to the financial compensation of seafarers suffering from long-term disabilities resulting from occupational injuries.

Accordingly, all relevant requirements were amended based upon the amended Maritime Labour Convention.

Outline of Amendment

The main contents of this amendment are as follows:

- (1) Specified that ships are to be provided with a financial security system to cover cases such as then the shipowner fails to cover the cost of seafarer repatriation.
- (2) Specified that ships are to be provided with a financial security system for seafarers such as those who suffer a long-term disability resulting from an occupational injury.

Amended Requirements

Rules for the Inspection and Registration of Maritime Labour Systems Appendix 3.2.5, 3.4.2

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