

Commonwealth of Dominica**Office of the Maritime Administrator**

TO: ALL SHIPOWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS AND OFFICERS OF MERCHANT SHIPS, AND AUTHORIZED CLASSIFICATION SOCIETIES

SUBJECT: Diesel engine fuel oil arrangements – double jacketed piping system

**REFERENCE: (a) SOLAS, Reg. II-2/1.2.1
(b) SOLAS, Reg. II-2/15.2.12**

PURPOSE:

APPLICABILITY: Ships constructed before 1 July 1998

REQUIREMENTS:

Pursuant to new SOLAS Regulation II-2/1.2.1, effective 1 July 2002, ships constructed before 1 July 2002 shall comply with the requirements which are applicable under Chapter II-2 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended by resolutions MSC.1(XLV), MSC.6(48), MSC.13(57), MSC.22(59), MSC.24(60), MSC.27(61), MSC.31(63) and MSC.57(67).

Accordingly, on 1 July 2003, SOLAS Regulation II-2/15.2.12 became mandatory for ships constructed before 1 July 1998. This requires compliance with SOLAS Regulations II-2/15.2.9 through 15.2.11. Double jacketed piping systems are required on all external high-pressure and fuel pumps and fuel injectors and must be capable of containing fuel from a high-pressure line failure, provide for a means of collection of leakages and possess arrangements for alarm in the event of a fuel line failure. There are also requirements for insulating hot surfaces and screening or otherwise protecting the fuel oil piping.

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