



Office of  
Deputy Commissioner  
of Maritime Affairs

THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA  
LIBERIA MARITIME AUTHORITY

Marine Notice

TEC-006  
Rev. 02/25

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

**SUBJECT: Carriage of Grain**

- Reference:**
- (a) Maritime Regulation No. 7.191
  - (b) SOLAS 1974, as amended
  - (c) [MSC/Circ.363](#)
  - (d) [MSC/Circ.488](#)
  - (e) [IMO Resolution A.264\(VIII\)](#)
  - (f) [IMO Resolution A.184\(VI\)](#)
  - (g) [MSC.1/Circ.1538](#)
  - (h) International Code for the Safe Carriage of Grain in Bulk (International Grain Code)
  - (i) [MSC.552\(108\), amendments to the International Grain Code](#)

**Supersedes: Marine Notice TEC-006, dated 07/20**

The following changes have been included:

- a. New reference (i) added.
- b. The reference in Section 1.0 to reference (g) has been corrected to reference (h).
- c. Section 3.0 amended to delete reference to IACS members.

**PURPOSE:**

This Notice is to advise Owners and Masters of their responsibility to ensure that their ships are properly approved for grain loading and that neither the Administration nor its authorized Agents will be responsible for the consequence of improper or inadequate documentation which fails to meet the requirements of the Liberian regulations or the legislation of any port State.

**APPLICABILITY:**

The provisions of Chapter VI of **reference (b)** will be applied in full to all approvals of grain loading arrangements for the Liberian vessels of greater than 20 gross tons including non self-propelled barges constructed or utilized for the carriage of grain.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

**1.0** Grain loading arrangements for all Liberian ships will be approved in accordance with the

provisions of Chapter VI of **reference (b)** and the requirements of reference (h), as amended by reference (i). However, approvals granted to vessels built prior to May 1980 in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 12 of Chapter VI, SOLAS 1960, [reference \(e\)](#), or [reference \(f\)](#) will remain valid.

- 2.0 The contents of [reference \(c\)](#), [reference \(d\)](#) and [reference \(g\)](#) are to be taken into consideration when applying Part C of Chapter VI.
  
- 3.0 Loading plans, calculations and other data related to grain loading arrangements offered for approval are required to be submitted directly to classification societies that are authorized as Recognized Organizations (RO). The list of RO's is available on the Registry's web site: [Recognized Organizations](#).. All of these organizations have been duly authorized by Liberia as Agents for approving the grain loading arrangements for Liberian flagged ships. These organizations have been further authorized to issue official grain loading certificates on behalf of the Administration in a form prescribed by the Office of the Deputy Commissioner.

\* \* \* \* \*