LIST OF NEW IMO/ILO OBLIGATORY REQUIREMENTS entering into force in 2013

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SOLAS (Res. MSC.317(89))	Reg. III/1.5 (new para5)	2013-01-01 First dry-docking after 2014-07-01, nor later than 2019-07-01.	All cargo vessels and passenger vessels.	Existing lifeboat on-load release mechanisms not complying with new paragraphs 4.4.7.6.4 to 4.4.7.6.6 (hook stability, locking devices and hydrostatic interlock) of the LSA Code, as amended by res. MSC.320(89), to be replaced with equipment complying with the amended Code. Guidelines for evaluation and replacement – see MSC.1/Circ.1392.
LSA Code (Res. MSC.320(89))	4.4.7.6 (new sub- para.s .4, .5 and .6)	2013-01-01	All cargo vessels and passenger vessels. Lifeboat release mechanisms.	New requirements to hook stability, locking device and if provided, hydrostatic interlocks.
LSA Code (Res. MSC.320(89))	4.4.7.6 (new sub- para.s .and renumbering)	2013-01-01	Cargo vessels and passenger vessels, keel-laid ≥ 2013-01-01. Lifeboat release mechanisms.	More design criteria for lifeboat release gear mechanisms (release criteria, hydrostatic interlocks, operation of the release mechanisms, reset process etc.). The paragraph 4.4.7.6 is amended with new para.s 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 15 and 16. The existing paragraphs .1 to .9 are renumbered.
IMSBC Code (Res. MSC.318(89))	Appendix 1	2013-01-01 Formal effective date.	All cargo vessels, GT ≥ 500.	Individual schedules of solid bulk cargoes, some schedules have been modified and some new schedules have been introduced. The most important new schedule is Wood products.
MARPOL (Res. MEPC.200(62)	Annex IV, Reg. 1, 11 & 12	2013-01-01 To be complied with from 2016-01-01.	Passenger vessels, contract date ≥ 2016- 01-01. For build. contract ≥ 2016-01-01, or in the absence of build. contract, if keel-laid ≥ 2016-01-01. Delivery date is not relevant in this respect.	Annex IV has been amended introducing Special Area (the Baltic Sea) regulating the discharge of sewage from passenger ships. Discharge is prohibited in this area except for ships that have an operative approved sewage treatment plant (STP), type approved to the new standard, Res. MEPC.227(64).
MARPOL (Res. MEPC.200(62)	Annex IV, Reg. 1, 11 & 12	2013-01-01 To be complied with from 2016-01-01.	Passenger vessels, contract date ≤ 2015- 12-31. This regulation applies if building contract ≤ 2015-12-31 and if delivery ≥ 2018-01-01. Keel-laying date is not relevant in this respect.	Annex IV has been amended introducing Special Area (the Baltic Sea) regulating the discharge of sewage from passenger ships. Discharge is prohibited in this area except for ships that have an operative approved sewage treatment plant (STP), type approved to the new standard, Res. MEPC.227(64).
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MARPOL (Res. MEPC.201(62)	Revised Annex V	2013-01-01	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels.	Annex V has been revised further, limiting the discharge of garbage. The Garbage Record Book form has been updated accordingly.
MARPOL (Res. MEPC.202(62)	Annex VI, Reg. 13.6, 14.3 & 14.4.4.	2013-01-01	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels. Vessels trading in US Caribbean Sea Emission Control Area.	The designation of the US Caribbean Sea Emission Control Area (ECA) for NOx and SOx. The sulphur (SOx) requirements within this ECA take effect on 2014-01-01, as per MEPC.1/Circ.755. Ships powered by propulsion boilers as described in Reg. 14.4.4 are exempted from the North America and US Caribbean Sea ECA SOx requirements until 2020-01-01.
MARPOL (Res. MEPC.203(62)	Annex VI, new Ch. 4	2013-01-01	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels, GT ≥ 400.	New chapter introducing mandatory energy efficiency measures.
MARPOL (Res. MEPC.203(62)	Annex VI, new Ch. 4. Reg. 20 & 21	2013-01-01	Cargo vessels, GT ≥ 2000, contract date ≥ 2013-01-01. Applies if building contract ≥ 2013-01-01, or in the absence of building contract, if keel-laid ≥ 2013-07-01, or in any case if delivery date ≥ 2015-01-01. The regulations also applies to major conversions.	Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI) to be calculated for certain cargo vessels. Applicable for: bulk carriers, gas carriers, tankers, container ships, general cargo ships, refrigerated cargo carriers and combination carriers with specified DWT as described in the regulation text.
MARPOL (Res. MEPC.203(62)	Annex VI, new Ch. 4 Reg. 22	2013-01-01 At initial survey before the new ship is put in service, or at first intermediate or renewal survey after the enter into force date for existing vessels.	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels, GT ≥ 400.	Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) to be developed and kept on board. This may be incorporated in the ISM documentation.
MARPOL (Res. MEPC.203(62)	Annex VI, new Appendix VIII	2013-01-01	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels. International Energy Efficiency Certificate.	International Energy Efficiency (IEE) Certificate introduced.
SOLAS (Res. MSC.282(86))	V/19.2.2.3.4 (new sub-para.3.4)	2013-07-01 First safety equipment survey after this date.	Cargo vessels, keel-laid ≤ 2011-06-30, GT ≥ 500, GT ≤ 2999.	Bridge navigational watch alarm system (BNWAS) required and shall be in operation whenever the ship is underway at sea.

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SOLAS (Res. MSC.282(86))	V/19.2.10.3 (new sub-para.10.3)	2013-07-01	Bulk carriers, gas carriers and non-tanker/ -bulk cargo vessels, keel-laid ≥ 2013-07-01, GT ≥ 10000.	Electronic Chart Display and Information System (ECDIS) required.
NOx Technical Code 2008 (Res. MEPC.216(63)	Ch.2, para. 2.2.4 replaced by 2.2.4.1 & 2.2.4.2	2013-08-01	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels, GT ≥ 400. Applies to all diesel engines with output of more than 130 kW and installed on or after 2010-07-01.	Para. 2.2.4 has been replaced by 2.2.4.1 & 2.2.4.2 to give a better overview about requirements to onboard tests. Para. 2.2.5.1:has been replaced to give more details on how to apply NOx reducing devices.
MLC 2006		2013-08-20	All cargo vessels, HSC/ DSC and passenger vessels.	The Maritime Labour Convention (MLC), 2006 enters into force.