



To: Recognized Organizations, Shipowners, Ship Management Companies.
Subject: adopted the amendments to international Grain Code.
Application: All Ships flying Jordanian flag
Reference: SOLAS Chapter VI – Carriage of Cargoes and oil fuels.
IMO Resolution MSC.552(108)

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1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this Circular is to inform all concerned parties about the amendments to the International Code for the Safe Carriage of Grain in Bulk (Grain Code), as adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee through IMO Resolution MSC.552(108) on 24 May 2024, which will enter into force on 1 January 2026.

1.2 These amendments introduce a new optional loading condition and related calculation guidance aimed at enhancing the safety and stability of ships carrying Grain in bulk.

2. Scope

2.1 This Circular applies to all ships registered under the Jordanian flag that are engaged in the international carriage of grain in bulk.

2.2 Recognized Organizations (ROs) authorized to issue or approve the Document of Compliance for the Carriage of Grain and associated Grain Loading Manuals on behalf of the Administration).

3. Implementation

3.1 All Recognized Organizations, shipowners and Ship Management Companies are requested to update their procedures and ensure compliance with the requirements of the amendments under MSC.552(108) shall become mandatory from 1 January 2026.

3.2 Existing ships holding a valid Document of Compliance may continue to operate under their current documentation; however, where the operator wishes to apply the new optional loading condition ("especially suitable compartment, partly filled in way of the hatch opening, with ends untrimmed"), the Grain Loading Manual and stability documentation must be updated and submitted to the Administration or the Recognized Organization for approval.

4. Monitoring and Compliance

The Jordan Maritime Commission will monitor the implementation through Flag State inspections and statutory surveys carried out by Recognized Organizations.

Electronically signed by
Director General

