

ICS publish guidance on ship recycling requirements

By admin On December 5, 2022 In Insurance Marine News, Keep, Marine Liability, Political Risk, Credit & Finance

The International Chamber of Shipping (ICS) has released *Industry Guidance to Ship Suppliers and Shipowners on Materials Declarations for Inventories of Hazardous Material*, a new guidance document that has been co-sponsored by BIMCO, International Ship Suppliers & Services Association (ISSA) and the International HazMat Association (IHMA).

The ICS said that the new publication aimed to reduce the administrative burden for shipowners and suppliers and to ensure the provision of accurate information necessary for the maintenance of Inventory of Hazardous Materials (IHM).

ICS noted that the IHM was the key requirement for shipowners under the Hong Kong Convention (HKC) and EU Ship Recycling Regulation (EUSRR). The HKC has not yet come into force, but the EUSRR has a wide application, impacting shipowners within the EU, vessels flagged within the EU and non-EU vessels calling to EU ports.

The IHM requires the collection of information relevant to the ship's construction and equipment through the Material Declaration (MD) and the Supplier's Declaration of Conformity (SDoC). These must be provided by suppliers of relevant parts and equipment delivered to the shipyard (IHM-development for new ships) and shipowners (IHM-Maintenance).

ICS said that this new Industry Guidance concerned only Part I of the IHM, which covers the "structure and equipment of ships", and which needs to be prepared and maintained during the operational lifetime of the ship.

Part I has three subparts and the new guidance addresses Parts I-2 and I-3 only. (It not address Part I-1 which is on paints and coating systems).

<https://www.ics-shipping.org/publication/materials-declarations-for-inventories-of-hazardous-materials/>