

# International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft, 1994 (1994 HSC Code)

1995 Edition

## Supplement January 2021

*The following amendments to the International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft, 1994 (1994 HSC Code), in chronological order of entry into force, were adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) at its eighty-fourth, ninety-eighth and ninety-ninth sessions. Text in resolutions MSC.259(84) and MSC.438(99), relating to chapter 14 of the 1994 HSC Code, has been amended following corrections from Procès-Verbal of Rectification NV.024, issued on 10 December 2019.*

Resolution	Amends	Date of entry into force	Page
MSC.259(84)	<b>Chapter 8</b> Life-saving appliances and arrangements <b>Chapter 14</b> Radiocommunications	1 January 2010	2
MSC.423(98)	<b>Chapter 8</b> Life-saving appliances and arrangements	1 January 2020	3
MSC.438(99)	<b>Chapter 14</b> Radiocommunications <b>Annex 1</b> Form of safety certificate for high-speed craft <b>Record of equipment for compliance with the International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft</b>	1 January 2020	4

## **Resolution MSC.259(84)**

*adopted on 16 May 2008*

### **Chapter 8**

*Life-saving appliances and arrangements*

#### **8.2 Communications**

1 *In paragraph 8.2.1, subparagraph .2 is replaced by the following:*

- “.2 at least one search and rescue locating device should be carried on each side of every passenger high-speed craft and every cargo high-speed craft of 500 gross tonnage and upwards. Such search and rescue locating device should conform to the applicable performance standards not inferior to those adopted by the Organization\*. The search and rescue locating device should be stowed in such locations that they can be rapidly placed in any one of the liferafts. Alternatively, one search and rescue locating device should be stowed in each survival craft.

---

\* Refer to the Recommendation on performance standards for survival craft radar transponders for use in search and rescue operations, adopted by the Organization by resolution MSC.247(83) (A.802(19)), as amended) and the Recommendation on performance standards for survival craft AIS search and rescue transmitter (AIS SART), adopted by the Organization by resolution MSC.246(83).”

### **Chapter 14**

*Radiocommunications*

*Delete the text relating to Chapter 14 in its entirety.*

## **Resolution MSC.423(98)**

*adopted on 15 June 2017*

### **Chapter 8**

*Life-saving appliances and arrangements*

#### **8.10 Survival craft and rescue boats**

1 *Paragraphs 8.10.1.5 and 8.10.1.6 are replaced with the following:*

- “.5 notwithstanding the provision of .4 above, craft should carry sufficient rescue boats to ensure that, in providing for abandonment by the total number of persons the craft is certified to carry:*
  - .5.1 not more than nine of the liferafts provided in accordance with 8.10.1.1 are marshalled by each rescue boat; or*
  - .5.2 if the Administration is satisfied that the rescue boats are capable of towing a pair of such liferafts simultaneously, not more than 12 of the liferafts provided in accordance with 8.10.1.1 are marshalled by each rescue boat; and*
  - .5.3 the craft can be evacuated within the time specified in 4.8.*
- .6 craft of less than 20 m in length may be exempted from carrying a rescue boat, provided the craft meets all of the following requirements:*
  - .6.1 the craft is arranged to allow a helpless person to be recovered from the water in a horizontal or near-horizontal body position;*
  - .6.2 recovery of the helpless person can be observed from the navigating bridge; and*
  - .6.3 the craft is sufficiently manoeuvrable to close in and recover persons in the worst intended conditions.”*

## **Resolution MSC.438(99)**

*adopted on 24 May 2018*

### **Chapter 14**

#### *Radiocommunications*

1 *Replace the text relating to Chapter 14 with the following:*

“Craft should be provided with radiocommunications facilities as specified in chapter 14 of the 2000 HSC Code (resolution MSC.97(73)), as amended up to and including resolution MSC.439(99), that are fitted and operated in accordance with the provisions of that chapter.”

#### Annex 1

### **Form of safety certificate for high-speed craft**

#### **RECORD OF EQUIPMENT FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF SAFETY FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT**

3 *Details of radio facilities*

2 *In section 3, the existing description of item 1.4 is amended to read as follows:*

“Recognized mobile satellite service ship earth station”.