



### **TECHNICAL CIRCULAR No. 844 of 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

To	All Surveyors/Auditors. All flags
Title	<b>Amendments to the IMDG Code</b>
Reference	Amendment 42-24 of the IMDG Code

#### **Amendment 42-24 of the IMDG Code**

The International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) Code undergoes regular reviews to accommodate new requirements for both existing and new substances.

The Committee adopted amendments to the IMDG Code, Amendment 42-24, resolution MSC.556(108), and will be incorporated into the 2024 Edition.

The amendments introduce updated requirements for both new and existing substances. These amendments among others include but are not limited to:

- Modifications to the definition of "Recycled plastics material"
- Introduction of a new definition for "Degree of filling"
- Adjustments to the "Classification of articles as articles containing dangerous goods N.O.S."
- Addition of a new definition for "Explosive or pyrotechnic effect"
- Inclusion of a new definition for "Metal powders"
- Amendments to the table under "List of currently assigned organic peroxides in packaging's" within the entry for "DI-2,4-Dichlorobenzoyl Peroxide"
- New substances: Dibenzoyl Peroxide, 2,5-Dimethyl-2,5-Di-(Tert-Butylperoxy) Hexane, Methyl Ethyl Ketone Peroxide(S)
- New part in Chapter 2.9.2 Assignment to class 9 - introducing "Sodium ion batteries"

Amendments to Chapters 3, 4, 5, and 6 Additionally, MSC 108 approved amendments to MSC.1/Circ.1588/Rev.2, resulting from the amendments (42-24) to the IMDG Code.

The Committee decided that it would be preferable to prepare a revised consolidated version of the Ems Guide, with a view to dissemination as MSC.1/Circ.1588/Rev.3. Member States are invited to bring the annexed Revised EmS Guide to the attention of all parties concerned, taking into account the voluntary application date of January 1, 2025, of amendments (42-24) to the IMDG Code, pending their mandatory entry-into-force date of January 1, 2026.

Application: The entry into force date for these amendments is January 1, 2026, and will apply to all ships (including cargo ships of less than 500GT) that carry dangerous goods in packaged form. Amendment 42-24 may be applied in whole or in part on a voluntary basis from January 1, 2025, subject to the agreement of the Flag Administration.

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