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INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974

Equivalent arrangements accepted under regulation I/5

Usage of digital nautical publications

Communication by the Government of Lithuania

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to transmit herewith the text of a communication by the Government of Lithuania in respect of equivalent arrangements accepted in accordance with the provisions of SOLAS regulation I/5 for usage of digital nautical publications.

The Secretary-General would be grateful if steps could be taken to bring this information to the attention of the appropriate authorities.

ANNEX



LIETUVOS SAUGIOS LAIVYBOS ADMINISTRACIJA
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CONCERNING USAGE OF DIGITAL NAUTICAL PUBLICATIONS

Dear Sir,

Lithuania has accepted equivalent arrangements for usage of digital nautical publications in accordance with Regulation I/5 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea 1974, as amended.

The details of the equivalent arrangements are attached for circulation to contracting Governments.

Sincerely yours,

Director

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Equivalent arrangements accepted under regulation I/5 of SOLAS 1974, as amended

For usage of digital nautical publications on all ships flying Lithuanian flag irrespective from size.

Regulation V/27 and V/19.2.1.4 of SOLAS 1974, as amended, requires all ships to carry up-to-date nautical publications for the intended voyage.

Lithuanian Maritime Safety Administration accepts for Lithuanian ships the carriage of nautical publications in digital form considering **MSC-MEPC.2/Circ.2** and provided that the following conditions are satisfied:

1. Ships that are liable to implement on board the International Safety Management (ISM) Code shall indicate the relevant procedures in their safety management system.
2. Digital nautical publications are issued officially by or on the authority of the Government authorized hydrographical office or other relevant Government institution and are genuine and obtained legally.
3. The publications in digital form are always available to the Officer of the Watch at any time without any limitations in respect of night vision, energy source, breakdown of primary digital publications system.
4. Digital nautical publications are installed in the computer that is used solely for navigational tasks and that has its power supply from the main and emergency power sources. The computer shall be situated on the navigational bridge.
5. As a backup, the up-to-date digital nautical publications shall be installed in an additional computer used for navigational tasks and ship administration only.
6. Equipment installed for digital publications shall conform to MSC/Circ.891 and MSC/Circ.982 . Issues of MSC/Circ.1091 to be considered .