



IMPLEMENTATION OF INVENTORY OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (IHM) (NMA_C54.2025. Rev.1)

(a) DEFINITION:

The following abbreviations stand for:

1. EU – European Union
2. EMSA – European Maritime Safety Agency
3. HKC – The Hong Kong International Convention for the Safe and Environmentally Sound Recycling of Ships, 2009
4. IHM – Inventory of Hazardous Materials
5. ITC 69 – International Convention on the Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969
6. PSC – Port State Control
7. RfRC – Ready for Recycling Certificate
8. RO – Recognized Organization as defined by IMO Resolution A.789(19)
9. SoC-IHM – Statement of Compliance on Inventory of Hazardous Materials
10. SRR – Ship Recycling Regulation

The term “**Administration**” refers to the Nauru Maritime Administration.

(b) PURPOSE:

This circular provides information relating to the implementation of the **HKC**, to ships calling at a port or anchorage of any country of the **EU** and providing instructions on issuance of **SoC-IHM** and Part I of the **IHM**.

(c) REFERENCES:

1. Hong Kong International Convention for the Safe and Environmentally Sound Recycling of Ships, 2009
2. Ship Recycling Regulation No. 1257/2013 (EU SRR)
3. Resolution MEPC.269(68) Guidelines for the Development of the Inventory of Hazardous Materials Resolution
4. MEPC 222(64) Guidelines for the Survey and Certification of Ships under the Hong Kong Convention

(d) APPLICATION:

1. This circular applies to Nauru-flagged ships of 500 GT and above including:
 - 1.1. New ships (built on or after 26 June 2025)
 - 1.2. Existing ships (by 26 June 2025). After the date, ships preparing for recycling must carry a valid RfRC.
 - 1.3. Ships calling a State party to the **HKC**.
2. By **25 June 2030**, all existing Nauru-flagged ships must:
 - 2.1. Have an approved **IHM Part I** and a valid SoC-IHM
 - 2.2. For ships scheduled for recycling before that date, Parts II and III must also be developed in accordance with MEPC.379(80),
 - 2.3. Parts II and III shall only be incorporated into the IHM before recycling.

(e) CERTIFICATION:

1. All applicable ships must carry a valid **SoC-IHM** issued by RO.
2. Ships calling EU ports must comply with both **HKC** and **EU SRR (EU SRR No. 1257/2013)**.
3. Separate SoCs should be issued for **HKC** and **EU SRR** where applicable.

(f) ACTION REQUIRED:

1. Shipowners, managers, and ROs are to ensure IHM certification and maintenance is done per **MEPC.269(68)**.
2. **RO may issue SoC-IHM** upon request after completion of required surveys
3. **IHM** must be updated and maintained during the ship's life.

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