

SUB-COMMITTEE ON STABILITY AND
LOAD LINES AND ON FISHING VESSELS
SAFETY
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Agenda item 1

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

**for the fifty-fifth session of the Sub-Committee, to be held at
IMO Headquarters, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR
from Monday, 18 to Friday, 22 February 2013**

(Session commences at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 18 February 2013)

- Opening of the session and election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2013
- 1 Adoption of the agenda
 - 2 Decisions of other IMO bodies
 - 3 Development of second generation intact stability criteria
 - 4 Development of guidelines on safe return to port for passenger ships
 - 5 Development of guidelines for verification of damage stability requirements for tankers
 - 6 Development of mandatory carriage requirements for stability instruments on board tankers
 - 7 Review of the damage stability regulations for ro-ro passenger ships
 - 8 Revision of SOLAS chapter II-1 subdivision and damage stability regulations
 - 9 Development of provisions to ensure the integrity and uniform implementation of the 1969 TM Convention
 - 10 Development of amendments to part B of the 2008 IS Code on towing and anchor handling operations
 - 11 Consideration of IACS unified interpretations
 - 12 Development of amendments to the criterion for maximum angle of heel in turns of the 2008 IS Code
 - 13 Development of a mandatory Code for ships operating in polar waters
 - 14 Biennial agenda and provisional agenda for SLF 56

- 15 Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2014
- 16 Any other business
- 17 Report to the Maritime Safety Committee

Notes:

1 In accordance with the Guidelines on the organization and method of work of the MSC and the MEPC and their subsidiary bodies (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.4/Rev.2):

- .1 documents should be received in the Secretariat as follows:
 - .1 documents (including information documents submitted in hard copy only) containing more than 6 pages of text (bulky documents), by Friday, **16 November 2012**;
 - .2 non-bulky documents (including information documents and bulky information documents, if submitted in electronic format), by Friday, **14 December 2012**; and
 - .3 documents commenting on those referred to in subparagraphs .1 and .2 above containing 4 pages or less, by Friday, **4 January 2013** (see also paragraph 6.12.5 of the Guidelines);
- .2 for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing, be as concise as possible and:
 - .1 all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with section 6 of the above-mentioned Guidelines;
 - .2 substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action which the Sub-Committee is invited to take; and
 - .3 information documents should conclude with a summary of the information contained therein;
- .3 the following word-processing format should be observed in order to standardize the presentation of documents:
 - font: Arial;
 - font size: 11 pt;
 - justification: full;
 - margins: 2 cm top, 2.5 cm bottom, left and right.

A template is available on the IMODOCS website for use in the preparation of documents; and

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In the case of:

- .1 documents exceeding the number of pages specified, the provisions of paragraph 6.12.1 of the Guidelines will apply; and
- .2 documents other than information documents and correspondence group reports, which contain more than 20 pages, will not be translated into all working languages in their entirety. Such documents should include, for translation purposes, a summary of the document not longer than four pages, with the technical content submitted as an annex in the language needed by working groups (e.g., English).

- .4 to facilitate the processing of documents, they should be accompanied by a USB flash drive preferably in Microsoft Word, where available, or sent via e-mail in Microsoft Word to IMO's e-mail address info@imo.org.

2 The MSC recommended the sub-committees to strictly observe the above provisions of the aforementioned Guidelines which, inter alia, provide that the Secretariat should strictly apply the rules concerning the submission of documents and not accept late submissions from Governments or delegations.
