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Tonnage Policy Updates

MTN 01-98 CH-13 Tonnage Administrative Policy

The Marine Safety Center has issued Change 13 to [MSC Technical Note \(MTN\) 01-98](#), *Tonnage Administrative Policy*. This Technical Note provides administrative requirements for certification of vessel tonnages and dimensions by authorized measurement organizations acting on the Coast Guard's behalf. It was last updated in 2014. Change 13 incorporates revisions for consistency with the recent amendments to the tonnage regulations (see [MSC Bulletin 01-16](#)) and related changes to MTN 01-99.

MTN 01-99 CH-9 Tonnage Technical Policy

The Marine Safety Center has issued Change 9 to [MSC Technical Note \(MTN\) 01-99](#), *Tonnage Technical Policy*. This Technical Note provides interpretations of the tonnage regulations (46CFR69) through a reprint of the regulations in standard font, with interpretations inserted in italics font, and interpretive figures added in appropriate locations. Change 9 was developed to address interpretative matters not reflected in MTN 01-99 CH-8 (see [MSC Bulletin 02-16](#)), that had arisen since the previous MTN version was issued in 2005, including interpretations stemming from the conclusion of the recent IMO work on tonnage measurement. A new appendix presents U.S. interpretations of the 1969 Tonnage Convention, along with interpretations of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the International Association of Classification Societies (IACS).

Additional Information

Refer to the appendices of the respective MTNs for a more comprehensive discussion of the revisions to each. Please contact Mr. Marcus Akins of the MSC's Tonnage Division staff at (202) 795-6787 or marcus.j.akers@uscg.mil if you have any questions on this bulletin.

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