



Risk Assessment Solutions

“Prevent, Don’t Cure”

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Subject: Amendments to the ISM Code - Important Issue!

In connection to our **“Don’t Cure, Prevent”** policy, we would like to inform our clients that **on 1st January 2015**, amendments to the International Safety Management (ISM) Code will enter into force, introducing new requirements for manning and company verification, and new references to related IMO guidance, as listed below:

1. **Changes to manning requirements:** *(Paragraph 6 “Resources and Personnel” §6.2 Amended)*
2. **New company verification requirement:** *(Paragraph 12 “Company verification, Review and Evaluation”; new paragraph 12.2 is inserted after existing paragraph 12.1 and the existing paragraphs 12.2 to 12.6 are renumbered as 12.3 to 12.7.)*
3. **New footnotes:** *Footnotes and paragraph for foreword of the publication of the Code are amended*

Further to the above and in order to assist our clients, we would like to recommend that Companies should review their SMS to ensure ongoing compliance with the code, taking into account the amendments and the relevant guidelines and recommendations.

For more details on the amendments, kindly find attached the relevant **IMO Resolution MCS.353 (92)**.

Our company is offering a wide range of 'deficiencies', case studies, clarification on the MLC provisions through our Training Activities which are delivered on regular intervals in our office or in-house, at client's request.

We remain at your disposal for more details,

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