



NOTICE TO MARINERS

No. 08 – 16 May 2024

Subjects:

1. FMA Circular No. (3) of 2024:
Implementation of International Code of Safety for Diving Operations, (2023 Diving Code).
2. FMA Circular No. (4) of 2024:
Implementation of SOLAS Chapter XV related to the International Code of Safety of Ships Carrying Industrial Personnel (IP Code).

To

- **Classification Societies**
- **UAE Flag Ship-owners, Shipping Management Companies**
- **Shipping Agents**

Please see below the excerpts from the FMA (Ministry of Energy & Infrastructure - MOEI) circulars issued on 14 May 2024. These circulars are not attached herewith due to data size, but available on the Marine section of RAK Ports website at <https://rakports.ae/marine/>

1. Circular No. (3) of 2024:

Excerpt: The FMA has adopted the Resolution MSC.548(107) related to the International Code of Safety for Diving Operations (2023 Diving Code) and will implement the Code as the recognised international provisions for the design, construction and survey of diving systems, diving units and hyperbaric evacuation systems. The 2023 Diving Code should be applied to all ships that have a diving system installed on or after 1 January 2024.

2. Circular No. (4) of 2024:

Excerpt: The FMA has adopted the Resolution MSC.521(106), related to the chapter XV of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS) to make the provisions of the International Code of Safety for Ships Carrying Industrial Personnel (IP Code) mandatory under the SOLAS Convention. The IP Code will enter into force on 1 July 2024.

The FMA emphasises the need for all entities addressed to fully comply with the requirements specified in these circulars.

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