SPECIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONNEL ON SHIPS SUBJECT TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF SAFETY FOR SHIPS USING GASES OR OTHER LOW-FLASHPOINT FUELS (IGF CODE)

The purpose of this information is to assist shipowners and operators with preparations for compliance with the special training requirements for personnel on ships subject to the IGF Code. It covers:

• Applicability of the requirements for the training and certification of personnel on ships subject to the IGF Code under Regulation V/3 of the STCW Convention, 1978, as amended;

• Training and certification of personnel in accordance with Regulation V/3 of the STCW Convention, 1978, as amended; and

• Recognition of the training and certification of personnel in accordance with Regulation V/1-2 to meet the requirements for training and certification under Regulation V/3 of the STCW Convention, 1978, as amended.

NOTE
Graphics are best viewed electronically to enable use of zoom functionality of the software or device, or printed in colour on size A3 paper (420 x 297 mm / 16.54" x 11.69").
Graphics should be read from left to right, observing and recognizing that headings, keys, colours and symbols are used to illustrate concepts and relationships.

While the information in this document has been developed using the best information currently available, it is intended purely as information to be used at the user’s own risk. No responsibility is accepted by ICS or by any person, firm, corporation or organization who or which has been in any way concerned with the furnishing or supply of information, compilation, publication or authorized translation of this information, for the accuracy of the information herein, or for any omission or for any consequences whatsoever resulting directly or indirectly from using the information contained herein even if caused by want of due diligence or reasonable care.
SPECIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONNEL ON SHIPS SUBJECT TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF SAFETY FOR SHIPS USING GASES OR OTHER LOW-FLASHPOINT FUELS (IGF CODE)

Applicability of the requirements for the training and certification of personnel on ships subject to the IGF Code under Regulation V/3 of the STCW Convention, 1978, as amended

**Entry into force of the IGF Code**

1 JANUARY 2017

**Entry into force of Regulation V/3**

**KEY**

- Personnel who are not qualified or certificated in accordance with Regulation V/3.
- Personnel qualified and certificated in Basic Training for service on ships subject to the IGF Code.
- Personnel qualified and certificated in Advanced Training for service on ships subject to the IGF Code.

**SHIPS SUBJECT TO THE IGF CODE**

New ships subject to the IGF Code are ships using low-flashpoint fuels for which the building contract* is placed on or after 1 January 2017.

*In the absence of a building contract, new ships subject to the IGF Code are those for which the keels are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 1 July 2017, or their delivery is on or after 1 January 2021.

**EXISTING SHIPS**

Ships using traditional marine fuels prior to 1 January 2017.

Ships using gases or other low-flashpoint fuels as fuel prior to 1 January 2017.

Existing ships that become subject to the IGF Code, irrespective of their date of construction, due to their conversion to using gases or other low-flashpoint fuels as fuel on or after 1 January 2017.

**Personnel are required to be qualified and certificated in accordance with Regulation V/3.**

There is no international requirement for personnel on board these ships to be qualified and certificated in accordance with Regulation V/3.
SPECIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONNEL ON SHIPS SUBJECT TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF SAFETY FOR SHIPS USING GASES OR OTHER LOW-FLASHPOINT FUELS (IGF CODE)

Training and certification of personnel in accordance with Regulation V/3 of the STCW Convention, 1978, as amended

**IDENTIFICATION**
- Identification of Masters, officers, ratings and other personnel who will serve on board ships subject to the IGF Code.

**IDENTIFICATION**
- Identification of seafarers responsible for designated safety duties associated with the care, use or in emergency response to the fuel on board ships subject to the IGF Code.

**TRAINING**
- Completion of approved Basic Training for service on ships subject to the IGF Code.

**TRAINING**
- Certificate of Proficiency (CoP) in Basic Training for service on ships subject to the IGF Code.

**IDENTIFICATION**
- Identification of Masters, engineer officers and all personnel that will have immediate responsibility for the care and use of fuels and fuel systems on ships subject to the IGF Code.

**TRAINING**
- Completion of approved Advanced Training for service on ships subject to the IGF Code.

**TRAINING**
- Certificate of Proficiency (CoP) in Advanced Training for service on ships subject to the IGF Code.

**SERVICE**
- Completion of at least 1 month of approved seagoing service on board a ship subject to the IGF Code.

**EXPERIENCE**
- Completion of a minimum of 3 bunkering operations on board a ship subject to the IGF Code.*

*Two of the bunkering operations may be replaced by approved simulator training on bunkering operations.*
SPECIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONNEL ON SHIPS SUBJECT TO THE INTERNATIONAL CODE OF SAFETY FOR SHIPS USING GASES OR OTHER LOW-FLASHPOINT FUELS (IGF CODE)

Recognition of the training and certification of personnel in accordance with Regulation V/1-2 to meet the requirements for training and certification under Regulation V/3 of the STCW Convention, 1978, as amended.