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**National Guidance for the Protective Coatings of Dedicated Seawater Ballast Tanks
in All Types of Ships**

Applicable to: Ship owners, Recognized Organizations, Shipping Companies, Flag State
Surveyors

1. The Department of Marine Administration circulated this directive in the exercise of the power of Section 294(B), paragraph (b) of Myanmar Merchant Shipping Act.
2. Pursuant to the provision of section 213 (A)(a) (2) of Myanmar Merchant Shipping Act, the following IMO Resolutions are to be used as national guidance for protective coatings of dedicated seawater ballast tanks in all type of ship of Myanmar engaged on international voyage.
3. The purpose of this directive is to provide Myanmar national guidance for protective coatings of dedicated seawater ballast tanks to comply with the requirement provided in Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention, Chapter II-1(Regulation 3(2)).
4. The national standards for protective coatings of Myanmar vessel are:
 - (a) The vessel built before 1st July 1998 shall be complied with the requirement provided in Resolution MSC 215(82); and
 - (b) The vessel built after 1st July 1998 shall be complied with the requirement provided in Resolution MSC 47(66).

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