

# Foreword

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The Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships are intended as a guide to competent authorities, mariners, fumigators, fumigant and pesticide manufacturers and others concerned.

The Recommendations were first circulated in September 1971 and were then revised by the Maritime Safety Committee in 1984, 1993, 1995, 1996 and 2008. At its eighty-fourth session, in 2008, the Maritime Safety Committee revised those aspects of the Recommendations relating to the fumigation of cargo holds and cargo transport units and approved *Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships applicable to the fumigation of cargo holds* (MSC.1/Circ.1264) which superseded the relevant provisions of the Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships, with regard to the fumigation of cargo holds, *Amendment to the Recommendations on the Safe Use of Pesticides in Ships applicable to the Fumigation of Cargo Holds* (MSC.1/Circ.1264) (MSC.1/Circ.1396) and *Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships applicable to the fumigation of cargo transport units* (MSC.1/Circ.1265) which superseded the relevant provisions of Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships, with regard to the fumigation of cargo transport units.

At its eighty-seventh session, in 2010, the Maritime Safety Committee approved:

- .1 *Revised Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships* (MSC.1/Circ.1358) which supersedes MSC/Circ.612, as amended by MSC/Circ.689 and MSC/Circ.746; and
- .2 *Revised Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships applicable to the fumigation of cargo transport units* (MSC.1/Circ.1361) which supersedes MSC.1/Circ.1265.

## Recommendations

The Revised Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships, the Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships applicable to the fumigation of cargo holds and the Revised Recommendations on the safe use of pesticides in ships applicable to the fumigation of cargo transport units are recommended to governments in pursuance of their obligations under chapter VI of the 1974 SOLAS Convention as amended.