

**RESOLUTION MSC.419(97)**  
**(adopted on 25 November 2016)**

**AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL PROVISIONS ON SHIPS' ROUTEING (RESOLUTION A.572(14), AS AMENDED)**

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 28(b) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

RECOGNIZING the importance of safeguarding manoeuvring space for ships in the vicinity of multiple structures at sea in ships' routeing systems,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the decision of the Sub-Committee on Navigation, Communications and Search and Rescue, at its third session, to include a guidance on the multiple structures at sea in annex 1 of the *General Provisions on Ships' Routeing*,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its ninety sixth session, the text of proposed amendments to annex 1 of the *General Provisions on Ships' Routeing* (resolution A.572(14), as amended),

1 ADOPTS the amendments to the *General Provisions on Ships' Routeing* (resolution A.572(14), as amended), to include a guidance on the multiple structures at sea, the text of which is set out in the annex to the present resolution;

2 DETERMINES that amendments to the *General Provisions on Ships' Routeing* shall be adopted for implementation by the Committee in accordance with the provisions of resolution A.572(14), as amended, subject to confirmation by the Assembly;

3 INVITES Governments intending to submit proposals for the adoption of ships' routeing systems to take account of the annexed amendments to the General Provisions;

4 INVITES ALSO Governments concerned to bring the contents of this resolution to the attention of all parties concerned.

ANNEX

AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL PROVISIONS ON SHIPS' ROUTEING  
(RESOLUTION A.572(14), AS AMENDED)

Amend annex 1 (resolution A.572(14), as amended), as follows:

**Section 3 (Responsibilities of Contracting Governments and recommended and mandatory practices)**

Insert after existing paragraph 3.13, a new paragraph 3.14, as follows:

"3.14 In planning to establish multiple structures at sea, including but not limited to wind turbines, Governments should take into account, as far as practicable, the impact these could have on the safety of navigation, including any radar interference. Traffic density and prognoses, the presence or establishment of routeing measures in the area, and the manoeuvrability of ships and their obligations under the 1972 Collision Regulations should be considered when planning to establish multiple structures at sea. Sufficient manoeuvring space extending beyond the side borders of traffic separation schemes should be provided to allow evasive manoeuvres and contingency planning by ships making use of routeing measures in the vicinity of multiple structure areas."

and renumber the following paragraphs accordingly.

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