This publication presents the revised MARPOL Annex VI, Regulations for the prevention of air pollution from ships, and the updated NOx Technical Code 2008, including amendments adopted by resolutions MEPC.202(62), MEPC.203(62) and MEPC.217(63), as well as Guidelines and other information relevant to improved energy efficiency for ships and the prevention of air pollution.

MARPOL Annex VI includes requirements for control of emissions from ships (chapter 3) and new regulations on energy efficiency for ships (chapter 4) that entered into force on 1 January 2013. These make mandatory the Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI) for new ships and the Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) for all ships.

The updated text includes additional definitions, the requirements for the EEDI survey and certification, the format for the International Energy Efficiency Certificate (IEEC) and the following Guidelines to support uniform implementation of the EEDI and SEEMP:

- 2012 Guidelines on the method of calculation of the attained EEDI for new ships;
- 2012 Guidelines for the development of a SEEMP;
- 2012 Guidelines on survey and certification of the EEDI; and
- Guidelines for calculation of reference lines for use with EEDI.

The updated NOx Technical Code 2008 includes amendments relating to engines not pre-certified on a test bed and to NOx-reducing devices.

This publication is of use to maritime administrations, classification societies, shipping companies, education institutes, engine and equipment manufacturers and others with an interest in the prevention of air pollution from ships and in technical and operational measures to improve the energy efficiency of ships.

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