



Technical Circular

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To whomsoever it may concern

Subject: Unified Interpretation of Regulation 36.2.10 of MARPOL Annex I

- The IMO's Marine Environment Protection Committee vide Circular MEPC.1/Circ.872 (copy attached) has approved unified interpretation of regulation 36.2.10 of MARPOL Annex 1, with respect to recording of terminal hose flush water in Oil Record Book, Part II.
 - The Interpretation reads as follows:
 - When the master of an oil tanker agrees to accept terminal hose flush water from a Single Point Mooring (SPM) or a Conventional Buoy Mooring (CBM), that flush water should be categorized as the disposal residues under regulation 36.2.10. Appropriate entries should be made under Item J of Part II of the Oil Record Book.
 - The following are examples of how these entries should be made:
 - a. At the load port where the flush water is received by the tanker, use the suggested wording for remarks:
 - (J) 55 At the request of (terminal xxxx), terminal line flush water (seawater) has been loaded into the ship's xxx tank
 - (J) 56 xxx m³ flush water
 - (J) 57.4 Transferred from terminal xxxx lines/hoses. Total quantity in xxx tank M³;
- And
- b. At the discharge port where the flush water is disposed of by the tanker:
 - (J) 55 xxx tank
 - (J) 56 xxx m³, quantity retained in tank: xxx m³
 - (J) 57.1 a quantity of xxx m³ terminal line flush water received at the loading port terminal (xxx) was disposed / transferred to terminal xxx facility.

Ship owners/ operators and masters are advised to be guided by above.

Enclosure:

1. IMO Circular MEPC.1/Circ.872 dated 14 August 2017

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