

**KPI Information Update IU-55-2014**  
**(Ballast Water Management Convention; Implementation Schedule)**

The International Maritime Organization's governing body, the Assembly; has recently adopted Resolution A.1088 (22) which adjusts the implementation schedule for the Ballast Water Management (BWM) Convention. The major changes are that:

- All ships that are in service and under construction at the time that the Convention enters into force are considered to be existing ships;
- The BWM Convention renewal survey has been harmonised with the MARPOL - IOPP renewal survey;
- References to compliance by the next "intermediate or renewal survey" have been changed to compliance by the next "renewal survey".

The table below shows the adjusted implementation schedule, detailing the dates by which ships will be required to discharge ballast water in compliance with the D-2 discharge standard (i.e., using a ballast water treatment system).

*As the Convention cannot be amended before it enters into force, the Resolution only recommends that administrations apply these changes. However once the Convention enters into force it is likely that these changes will quickly be mandated by an amendment to the Convention.*  
*Once the Convention enters into force, all ships will also be required to have on board an approved ballast water management plan and ballast water record book.*

**The adjusted implementation schedule for compliance with the D-2 discharge standard**

Ballast capacity	Existing ships Constructed before 2009	Existing ships Constructed (keel laid) in or after 2009 but before 2012	Existing ships Constructed in or after 2012
Less than 1,500m <sup>3</sup>	Entry into force (EIF) before 2016: compliance by 1st IOPP renewal survey after the anniversary date of the delivery of the ship in 2016  EIF after 2016: compliance by 1st IOPP renewal survey	Compliance by 1st IOPP renewal survey after EIF	
Between 1,500m <sup>3</sup> and 5,000m <sup>3</sup>	Compliance by 1st IOPP renewal survey after EIF		
Greater than 5,000m <sup>3</sup>	EIF before 2016: compliance by 1st IOPP renewal survey after the anniversary date of the delivery of the ship in 2016  EIF after 2016: compliance by 1st IOPP renewal survey	Compliance by 1st IOPP renewal survey after EIF	