



KPI Information Update IU-78-2015
(Revised Guidelines for Preparation of The Cargo Securing Manual & the
need for The Cargo Safe Access Plan (CSAP))

The KISH P & I Club informs the members of the following Information Update:

In accordance with regulations VI/5 and VII/5 of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, as amended, cargo units and cargo transport units shall be loaded, stowed and secured throughout the voyage in accordance with the Cargo Securing Manual approved by the Administration, which shall be drawn up to a standard at least equivalent to the guidelines developed by the Organization.

The Maritime Safety Committee, at its eighty-seventh session (12 to 21 May 2010), considered the proposal by the Sub-Committee on Dangerous Goods, Solid Cargoes and Containers, at its fourteenth session (21 to 25 September 2009), and approved the Revised Guidelines for the preparation of the Cargo Securing Manual.

IMO Member Governments are invited to bring these Guidelines to the attention of all parties concerned, with the aim of having Cargo Securing Manuals carried on board ships prepared appropriately and in a consistent manner, and to:

1. Apply the revised guidelines in its entirety for containerships, the keels of which were laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 1 January 2015; and
2. Apply chapters 1 to 4 of the revised guidelines to existing containerships, the keels of

which were laid or which were at a similar stage of construction before 1 January 2015.

- CHAPTER 1: GENERAL
- CHAPTER 2: SECURING DEVICES AND ARRANGEMENTS
- CHAPTER 3: STOWAGE AND SECURING OF NON-STANDARDIZED AND SEMI-STANDARDIZED CARGO
- CHAPTER 4: STOWAGE AND SECURING OF CONTAINERS AND OTHER STANDARDIZED CARGO
- CHAPTER 5: CARGO SAFE ACCESS PLAN (CSAP)

5.1 Ships which are specifically designed and fitted for the purpose of carrying containers should be provided with a Cargo Safe Access Plan (CSAP) in order to demonstrate that personnel will have safe access for container securing operations. This plan should detail arrangements necessary for the conducting of cargo stowage and securing in a safe manner.

It should include the following for all areas to be worked by personnel:

- Hand rails
- Platforms
- Walkways
- Ladders
- Access covers
- Location of equipment storage facilities
- First aid stations and emergency access/egress
- Gangways
- Lighting fixtures
- Container alignment on hatch covers/pedestals
- Fittings for specialized containers, such as reefer plugs/receptacles
- Any other arrangements necessary for the provision of safe access

5.2 Guidelines for specific requirements are contained in annex 14 to the CSS Code. *vided and maintained in accordance with this plan.*

Members are advised to refer on MSC circular 1353 on following address:

http://www.imo.org/blast/blastDataHelper.asp?data_id=29807&filename=1353.pdf