

RESOLUTION FAL.1(17)  
adopted on 17 September 1987

ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CONVENTION ON FACILITATION  
OF INTERNATIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC, 1965, AS AMENDED

THE FACILITATION COMMITTEE,

RECALLING article VII(2)(a) of the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic, 1965, as amended, hereinafter referred to as "the Convention", concerning the procedure for amending the Annex to the Convention,

RECALLING FURTHER the functions which the Convention confers upon the Facilitation Committee for the consideration and adoption of amendments to the Convention,

HAVING CONSIDERED, at its seventeenth session, amendments to the Annex to the Convention proposed and circulated in accordance with article VII(2)(a) thereof,

1. ADOPTS, in accordance with article VII(2)(a) of the Convention, amendments to Standards 5.11 and 5.12 and Recommended Practices 2.3.4, 2.6.1 and 5.4 of the Annex to the Convention, the texts of which are given in the Annex to the present resolution;
2. NOTES that in accordance with article VII(2)(b) of the Convention, the above-mentioned amendments shall enter into force on 1 January 1989 unless, prior to 1 October 1988, at least one third of the Contracting Governments to the Convention have notified the Secretary-General in writing that they do not accept the said amendments;
3. REQUESTS the Secretary-General, in conformity with article VII(2)(a) of the Convention, to communicate the amendments contained in the Annex to all Contracting Governments to the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic, 1965, as amended;
4. FURTHER REQUESTS the Secretary-General to notify promptly all Signatory Governments of the adoption and entry into force of the amendments.

ANNEX

1987 AMENDMENTS TO THE ANNEX TO THE CONVENTION ON FACILITATION  
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Recommended Practice 2.3.4 is upgraded to a Standard and amended to read:

"2.3.4 Standard. Public authorities shall accept in place of the Cargo Declaration a copy of the ship's manifest provided it contains at least the information required in accordance with Recommended Practice 2.3.1 and Standard 2.3.2 and is signed or authenticated, and dated, in accordance with Standard 2.3.3."

A new Recommended Practice 2.3.4.1 is added to read:

"2.3.4.1 Recommended Practice. As an alternative to Standard 2.3.4, public authorities may accept a copy of the transport document signed or authenticated in accordance with Standard 2.3.3, or certified as a true copy, if the nature and quantity of cargo make this practicable and provided that any information in accordance with Recommended Practice 2.3.1 and Standard 2.3.2 which does not appear in such documents is also furnished elsewhere and duly certified."

Recommended Practice 2.6.1 is upgraded to a Standard and amended to read:

"2.6.1 Standard. In the Crew List, public authorities shall not require more than the following information:

- name and nationality of ship
- family name
- given names
- nationality
- rank or rating
- date and place of birth
- nature and number of identity document
- port and date of arrival
- arriving from."

Recommended Practice 5.4 is amended to read:

"5.4 Recommended Practice. The normal services of public authorities at a port should be provided without charge during normal working hours. Public authorities should establish normal working hours for their services at ports consistent with the usual periods of substantial workload."

Section 5F is amended to read:

"F EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

5.11 Standard. Public authorities shall facilitate the arrival and departure of ships engaged in disaster relief work, the combating or prevention of marine pollution, or other emergency operations necessary to ensure maritime safety, the safety of the population or the protection of the marine environment.

5.12 Standard. Public authorities shall, to the greatest extent possible, facilitate the entry and clearance of persons, cargo, material and equipment required to deal with situations described in Standard 5.11."