



Ship Safety Bulletins – Take the time to read them!

If you are a vessel owner, you have probably received a Ship Safety Bulletin in the mail from Transport Canada (TC) in the past. Have you ever taken the time to read one? If the answer is “no” or “not often”, then you might want to reconsider.

Ship Safety Bulletins are a great source of accurate and up-to-date ship safety information, paramount to the safety of life at sea. They are TC’s primary mechanism for conveying timely information pertaining to safeguards against identified risks. They can include anything from changes to training requirements/regulations, to advisories about faulty or unsafe equipment. Ship Safety Bulletins consist of a brief statement, summary of official notification, and/or direction to industry issued by the Marine Safety Directorate of TC. They are short and to the point (usually a page or two) - and they are worth taking the time to read!



Whether you are a crewmember or a vessel owner, Ship Safety Bulletins include valuable safety related information for all seafarers, and are a great way to ensure that you are well informed on safety related matters. All Bulletins, including those dating back to 1977, can be found on Transport Canada’s webpage at www.tc.gc.ca/marinesafety/Bulletins.