

## MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE

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Shipping Community Harbour Craft Community Pleasure Craft Community

## STAYING VIGILANT AT SEA DURING NORTH-EAST MONSOON

This Notice reminds all port users to exercise care and remain vigilant at sea during the north-east monsoon.

- 2. Owners, agents and masters to ensure that vessels and cargoes are properly secured at sea. Firefighting and life-saving appliances on board ships must be properly maintained and in working condition, in compliance with the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) regulations and applicable Singapore Port regulations. Masters and crew must be familiar with the safety and emergency procedures, especially when embarking and disembarking passengers during adverse weather conditions.
- 3. Vessels should maintain safe speeds, observe the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGS), and ensure proper mooring arrangements when alongside. At anchorage, crew members should maintain vigilance, monitor weather conditions, ensure the readiness of main engines for immediate manoeuvring, and don appropriate life jackets when boarding or leaving the vessel.
- 4. Masters of vessels are also reminded to keep a safe anchor watch (refer to PMC 03 of 2021).
- 5. Please contact the Marine Safety Control Centre (Tel: 6325-2488/2489, email: <a href="mailto:pms@mpa.gov.sg">pms@mpa.gov.sg</a>) for any clarification needed on this circular.

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