

ANNEX 11

Resolution MSC.9(53)

ADOPTION OF THE REVISED CODE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT
OF SHIPS CARRYING DANGEROUS CHEMICALS IN BULK (BCH CODE)

adopted on 17 September, 1986

THE MARITIME SAFETY COMMITTEE,

RECALLING Article 29 of the Convention on the International Maritime
Organization concerning the functions of the Committee,

RECALLING ALSO resolution A.212(VII), by which the Assembly at its
seventh session adopted the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships
carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (BCH Code), which provides safety
requirements for chemical tankers supplementary to the provisions of the
International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (The 1974 SOLAS
Convention),

NOTING that the Marine Environment Protection Committee, at its
twenty-second session, adopted by resolution MEPC.20(22) the revised BCH Code,
incorporating ten sets of amendments adopted by the Maritime Safety Committee,
and also amendments to cover marine pollution aspects and that this Code will
become mandatory under the International Convention for the Prevention of
Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating
thereto (MARPOL 73/78), when Annex II of that instrument becomes effective on
6 April 1987,

HAVING CONSIDERED the recommendation of the Marine Environment Protection
Committee that the above-mentioned amendments to the BCH Code to cover marine
pollution aspects be adopted by the Committee in order to ensure that the Code
for the purposes of safety and pollution prevention remains identical,

1 ADOPTS the revised BCH Code, the text of which is given in the Annex to the present resolution, and which is identical to the Code adopted by resolution MEPC.20(22);

2 RECOMMENDS Governments concerned to implement the revised BCH Code.

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REVISED CODE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT OF SHIPS
CARRYING DANGEROUS CHEMICALS IN BULK (BCH CODE)

(The revised BCH Code to be annexed to the above MSC resolution will contain the text of the 1985 edition of the Code in IMO publication (Sales number 772 85:05E) incorporating amendments listed in MSC 53/9/1, annex)
