

Engineering Circular No. 92

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<p style="text-align: center;">Sub:- Code of Safe Practice for the Carriage of Cargoes and Persons by Offshore Supply Vessels.</p>	
<p>Recognizing that the specialized operations of offshore supply vessels (OSVs) may expose personnel and cargoes on board to additional hazards and that a number of serious accidents have occurred on OSVs during cargo and personnel carriage operations. Also, recognizing that in the recent past there has been a spate of ships accidents / incidents that have occurred causing severe / fatal injuries to ship's staff and / or damage to the marine facility, environment, ship machinery and equipments. The matter has been viewed very seriously in the Directorate, and as such, the Chief Surveyor with the Government of India desires that the operational guidelines of OSV Code (the Code of Safe Practice for the Carriage of Cargoes and Persons by Offshore Supply Vessels) as adopted by IMO by resolution A.863 (20) be implemented by the operators of offshore supply vessels, incase same is not being done. The requirement of the OSV Code should be considered when developing, implementing a safety management system (SMS) within the meaning of ISM Code clause no 1.4, i.e., functional requirements for a safety management system.</p> <p>This circular is issued with the approval of the Chief Surveyor with the Government of India for the attention of all concerned, so that they may use them when implementing, improving or auditing the effectiveness of a shipboard safety management system.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Yours faithfully, Sd/- (D.Mehrotra) Dy. Chief Surveyor-cum Sr.DDG (Tech)</p>	