

# Carriage of Dangerous Goods on board Workboats: Workboat Association recognised Training

## **Training Intention**

To provide training covering;

- Familiarisation with the rules governing the carriage of dangerous goods by sea, (IMDG) Code.
- The use and structure of the IMDG Code
- The documentation and rules specific to the carriage of Dangerous Goods on board Workboats
- Industry Best Practice

# **Target Audience**

- This course is designed for those working on board Workboats concerned with the carriage of Dangerous Goods
- All those ashore who are concerned with the transportation of Dangerous Goods on board Workboats.

# **Pre-requisites**

Good understanding and use of the English Language

## **Regulations Addressed**

International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code, The UK Workboat Code and the associated UK Merchant Shipping Regulations.

# **Course Objectives**

To provide training compliant with the UK Maritime Administration (Maritime and Coastguard Agency) training requirements as per the UK Workboat Code 2 sections 26.8 and 29.5.1

# **Training Resources**

- The carriage of Dangerous Goods on Workboats Good Practice Guide, the Workboat Association.

It is mandatory that all trainees have access to the latest hard-copy edition of the forementioned GPG, the cost of the GPG will be £4.50 per copy to WA recognised Training Providers and Operators.



## **Syllabus**

During this training course, the trainees shall be instructed and made familiar on the following;

#### - Introduction to Dangerous Goods

- What are Dangerous Goods
- How do DG differentiate from COSHH

#### Introduction to the IMDG Code and its contents

- Purpose of the Code
- UN Model Regulations
- Understanding the role of the IMO
- Code review/amendment cycle
- o Formats of the IMDG Code
- Structure of the IMDG Code

## - Regulations specific to the Carriage of Dangerous Goods on UK Workboats

- Explanation of the UK Merchant Shipping Regulations
- o Application of the Workboat Code (UK vessels internationally and non-UK vessels in UK)
- o Brown Code
- MGN 280 (§30)
- Workboat Code 2 (§29)

# - Requirements of Crew Training

o Reference to the latest MCA and IMO requirements

#### - Definitions and Abbreviations common to the handling of Dangerous Goods at Sea

o As per the Workboat Association 'Dangerous Goods Definitions' Supplement

## - Understanding the IMDG Code

- Classification of Dangerous Good
- Packaging
  - including testing and certification of identification of UN approved DG packaging
- marking, labelling and placarding
  - including identification and the 4 x properties of DG Labels/Placards.
- Emergency schedules
- o Reading and interpreting the Dangerous Goods List (DGL) table

#### - Roles in the Carriage of Dangerous Goods at Sea and on board Workboats

- o The Shipper (Consignor)
- o The Vessel
- The Vessel Crew
- The Vessel Management
- The Vessel's Administration (Flag State)
- The local Administration (Port State)
- The Receiver (Consignee)

## - Document of Compliance for the carriage of Dangerous Goods

- Obtaining a 'Document of Compliance' for the Carriage of Dangerous Goods
- Vessel Survey / Inspection
- o Vessel Requirements
- o Classes permittable and not [commonly] permittable for carriage on Workboats
- Understanding the Document of Compliance for the Carriage of Dangerous Goods

#### Documentation and Record keeping

- o Dangerous Goods Manifest (IMO FAL Form 7)
- Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS)
- COSHH Risk Assessments
- Documentation retention times

## - Segregation and Stowage of Dangerous Goods on board Workboats

- Permittable storage location(s)
- IMDG Segregation table
- o Safe stowage of cylinders & packaged goods and the use of bunded containers



- Decision making related to the carriage of Dangerous Goods
  - o Can I carry this?
  - When and why to say 'No'
- Return of Dangerous Goods and Secondary movements
  - O What is a secondary movement?
  - How to best control secondary movements on board Workboats
- Emergency response
  - Explanation of Emergency Procedures (EmS) + (MFAG)
  - o Fire-fighting, Spillage Control and First Aid in specific to Dangerous Goods

# **Mode of Delivery**

The course may be delivered in a variety of styles including; Online, Blended Learning, Classroom or Site based. The structure of the course delivery shall be assessed by the Workboat Association and shall be written on the Training Providers/ Operators Certificate of Approval. Any changes to the delivery or the course content shall be first communicated and agreed by the Workboat Association before the subsequent training is delivered.

#### **Assessment**

The Trainee shall be assessed in their understanding of the course material, the following shall be assessed:

- Importance for familiarisation with the latest revision of the IMDG Code and local regulations.
- Identification of cargo, including checking if carriage is permittable.
- Ability to find the correct item information in the Dangerous Goods List
- Confirm 3 of the 4 properties of a Dangerous Goods Label/Placard.
- Confirmation that the Documentation provided is signed accordingly, detailed and correct.
- Checking that Dangerous Goods are packaged in UN approved packaging that are in good condition and not showing any signs of damage or leaking.
- Segregation requirements for 3 x different Dangerous Goods.
- How to secure and protect Dangerous Goods for transport by sea, considering the apparent weather conditions and passage plan.
- Reacting to an Emergency
- What to do if there are any doubts or concerns about what is being tasked to carry

## **Course Duration**

It is estimated that 3 Learning Hours are required to complete the training. Excluding any assessment (as per the training providers/operators interest).

## Recognition

Training Providers and Operators can be recognised by the Workboat Association for providing training that meets the requirements of this syllabus by contacting: <a href="mailto:chiefexecutive@workboatassociation.org">chiefexecutive@workboatassociation.org</a>. Official recognition is free for WA members and is available to non-members for a one-time administration cost of £100.

## Certification

On successful completion of the course, an internal certificate will be awarded by the Training Provider/ Operator with the use of the Workboat Association Dangerous Goods Training Logo and supported by the awarded individual approval code.



# Supplement -

# **Dangerous Goods Definitions**

(As described in 'The carriage of Dangerous Goods on Workboats Good Practice Guide')

Herewith a list of acronyms and words with meaning specific to this syllabus and the IMDG Code;

ADR European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of DG by Road

**COSHH** Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations

CTU Cargo Transport Unit [Shipping Container]

**DG** Dangerous Goods

**DGL** Dangerous Goods List

**DGSA** Dangerous Goods Safety Advisor

EmS & MFAG Emergency Response Guide for ships carrying DG / Medical First Aid Guide

IMDG Code International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

**IBC** Intermediate Bulk Container

**IMO** International Maritime Organisation

**kPa** Kilopascals, a unit of pressure used for testing sealed containers

MARPOL The International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (Marine Pollution)

MCA United Kingdom Flag State Administration, Maritime and Coastguard Agency

MSDS Material Safety Data Sheets

N.O.S Not Otherwise Specified

**PSN** Proper Shipping Name

**UN number** United Nations number given to each recognised DG group (4 digit)

**Large quantity** Anything bigger than an IBC

**Small quantity** Anything smaller than an IBC

**Substances** DG in their primitive form (eg. a container of Hydrochloric acid)

**Articles** DG in their final product form (eg. a manufactured hand-flare)