



Merchant Shipping Directorate



## FIRE CONTROL PLAN GRAPHICAL SYMBOLS

### *Technical Notice SLS.30 Rev.2*

*Notice to Shipowners, Ship Operators, Managers, Masters,  
Owners' Representatives and Recognised Organisations*

The purpose of this Notice is to update Technical Notice SLS.30 regarding the use onboard of graphical symbols on Fire Control Plans.

SOLAS consolidated edition 2001 Chapter II-2 Regulation 20 and SOLAS amendments 2000 Chapter II-2 Regulation 24 require the use of Fire Control symbols on Fire Plans in accordance with IMO Resolution A.654 (16).

SOLAS 74, consolidated edition 2004 & 2009, Chapter II-2 Regulation 15.2.4 requires that the graphical symbols used in Fire Control Plans onboard all Maltese registered ships shall be in accordance with the symbols set out in the IMO Resolution A.952 (23).

IMO Resolution A.654 (16) Graphical Symbols for Fire Control Plans, adopted on 19 October 1989, is applicable for ships constructed before 1 January 2004.

Graphical symbols shall be in colour.

Whilst as from 1 January 2004, any Fire Control Plans shall be prepared and show graphic symbols in accordance with the provisions of the updated resolution IMO A.952 (23).

The Fire Control Plans of vessels being keel laid before 1 January 2004 can continue to apply the previous IMO Res. A.654, however should for any reason such plans would have to be reissued or updated, the graphical symbols set out in the latest resolution A.952 (23) would need to be incorporated.

In addition to the above, the Directorate wishes to draw the attention of all concerned to IMO resolution A.1116 (30) Escape Route Signs and Equipment Location Markings.

Recognising the benefits of standardised safety communication, the symbols contained in the latest versions of ISO 7010, ISO 24409-1, and ISO 17631 shall be adopted. To eliminate dual-symbol inconsistencies between paper documentation and physical onboard installations, the use of standard ISO 17631 fire control symbols is accepted for both the fire control plans and physical onboard equipment markings.

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The IMO resolution A.1116 (30) is to be used in conjunction with the already existing IMO resolution A.952 (23) for new or updated fire control plans.

Rev.	Date	Description of Change
2	22/06/26	Acceptance of ISO 17631 for both fire control plans and physical markings.

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