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## MEPC 83 – New regulations to reduce GHG and more

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### AGENDA

- Greenhouse gas strategy & progress on new regulations
- Review of short-term measures (CII, SEEMP, EEXI)
- New ECA, new IMO outputs, other matters
- Questions and answers





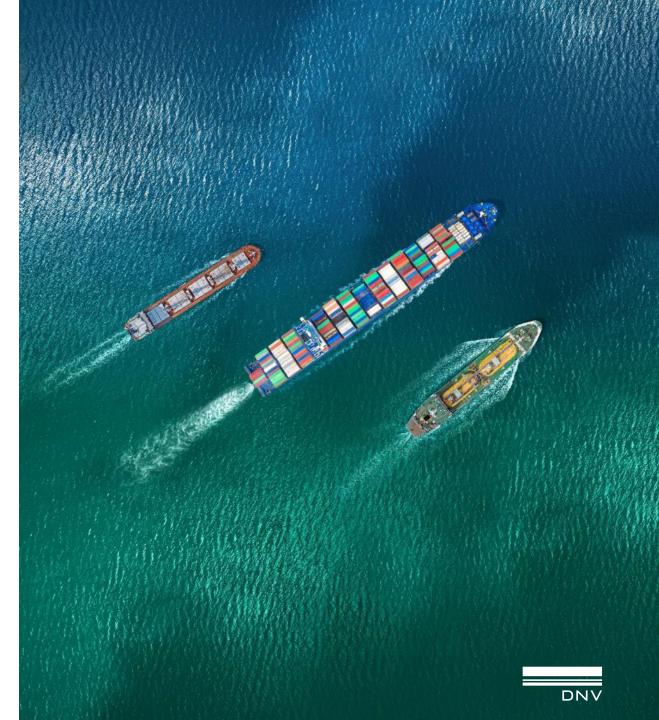
# Greenhouse gas strategy & progress on new regulations



# **IMO Net-Zero Framework**

- IMO's **regulatory response** to the revised IMO GHG Strategy adopted in 2023
- Contains integrated technical and economic elements
- Implemented as a new Chapter 5 in MARPOL Annex VI
- Amendments **approved by voting** at MEPC 83 (63 for, 16 against, 39 abstained/not present)
- Due for adoption in October 2025 requires acceptance by two-thirds of the parties to MARPOL Annex VI representing at least 50% of the total gross tonnage
- With adoption in October the amendments will enter into force in March 2027, and take effect from 1 January 2028
- Related **guidelines will be developed** in the coming years in time for implementation of the requirements

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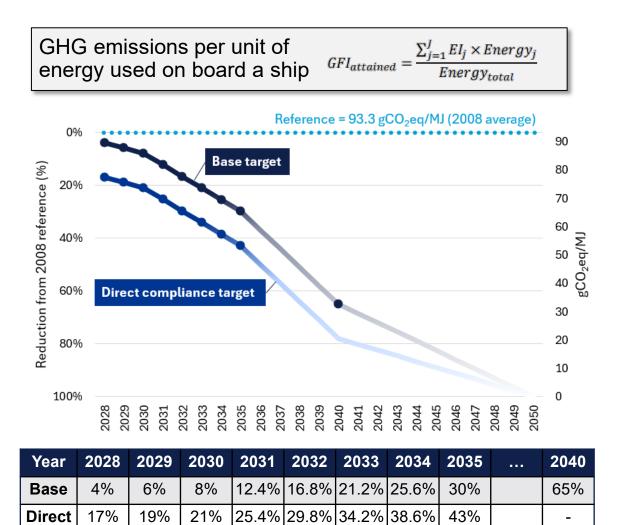


# Two-tier GHG fuel intensity requirements

- A **technical element**, setting gradually more stringent reduction requirements to a ship's annual GHG fuel intensity (GFI)
- Economic elements, including
  - two-tiered pricing of GHG emissions above the GFI requirements
  - revenues will go towards
    - rewards for use of zero or near-zero GHG emission fuels
    - support for the implementation of the NZF

# Scope, metric and trajectory

- Applies to all ships above 5000 GT, except ships trading solely domestically, platforms including FPSOs, FSUs and drilling rigs, and semisubmersible vessels
- Based on annually reported well-to-wake **GHG fuel intensity (GFI)**. Includes also electricity delivered to the ship, wind propulsion and solar power
- Two tiers of requirement are set on the annual attained GFI for a ship: a **Base target** and a more stringent **Direct Compliance target**. Each ship is required to meet the Direct Compliance target.



# Compliance approaches: buy Remedial Units (penalty), transfer of Surplus Units (pooling)

#### Compliance balance

- GFI above Base target: generates both Tier 1 and Tier 2 compliance deficits
- GFI between Direct and Base target: generates only Tier 1
   compliance deficit
- GFI below Direct target: receives Surplus Units (SU)

### Tier 1 compliance deficit

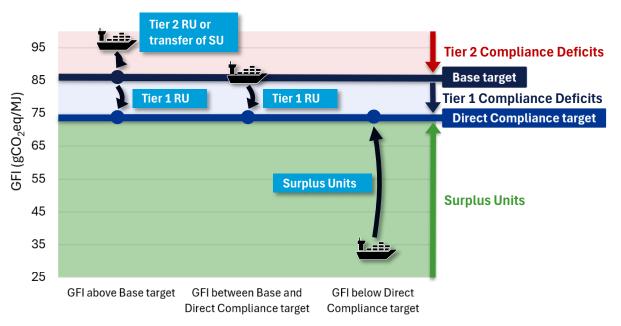
 Can only be compensated by Tier 1 Remedial Units (RU) from the IMO Net-Zero Fund

### Tier 2 compliance deficit

• Can be balanced with SUs from other ships, or by Tier 2 RUs

### Compliance surplus

- Can transfer an SU <u>once</u> to ships with a Tier 2 Compliance deficit (similar to FuelEU's concept of compliance pooling)
- Bank the units for later use (within two years)
- Can be cancelled as a voluntary mitigation contribution



Initial prices on Remedial Units, 2028 to 2030:

- Tier 1 RU: US\$ 100 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub>eq
- Tier 2 RU: US\$ 380 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub>eq

To be reviewed and adjusted from 2031

# 10 to 15 billion USD/year estimated revenue into the IMO Net-Zero Fund

- Proceeds from the sale of Remedial Units (RUs) will go into the IMO Net-Zero Fund
- To be set up and managed by the IMO
- Part of the revenues are intended to be circulated directly back to the industry as a reward for ZNZs (to be determined by 1 March 2027)
- Other purposes, focused on promoting a just and equitable transition by facilitating environmental and climate protection adaptation and resilience building

Possible uses of revenues:

- rewarding zero and near zero GHG emission technologies, fuels and/or energy sources
- researching, developing, and making available ZNZs;
- developing maritime, coastal and port-related infrastructure and equipment;
- enabling a just transition for seafarers and other maritime workforce;
- facilitating information sharing, technology transfer, capacity-building, training and technical cooperation;
- supporting development and implementation of National Action Plans;
- addressing disproportionately negative impacts on States

# Zero and near-zero technologies and rewards

- ZNZs include technologies, fuels and energy sources to be evaluated on a well-to-wake basis
- Not only fuels, will include e.g. wind and solar, and possibly onboard CCS
- Initial GFI thresholds:
  - Until end-2034 max 19.0 gCO2eq/MJ
  - From 2035 14.0 gCO2eq/MJ
  - To be reviewed every five years
- Ships will be eligible for rewards, with method to be defined by **1 March 2027**



## **Business implications**



- The **IMO decarbonization trajectory is set**, and is significantly more stringent than FuelEU Maritime
- Zero and near-zero fuels are essential. About 25 to 30 MTOE low emission fuels will be needed to comply with the requirements in 2030
- Annual revenues estimated to 10 to 15 billion
   USD/year parts of which will be used to reward ZNZ fuels.
- Energy efficiency improvements remain important
- Regulatory **complexity and overlap will increase**, and compliance will become tougher
- Knowing and understanding your own emissions
   data will be business critical

# Review of short-term measures (CII, SEEMP, EEXI)





# SEEMP CII phase 1 review concluded

### CII reduction rates 2027 – 2030 agreed

Year	2027	2028	2029	2030
Reduction factor	13.625%	16.250%	18.875%	21.500%

### Work plan for second phase of review

• Commences in 2026, concludes spring 2027. Addresses CII issues as well as potential SEEMP enhancements

### Data Collection System (DCS) and data access

- Definition of "underway" changed to be the period between "full ahead on passage" (FAOP) and "end of sea passage" (EOSP)
- DCS accessibility enhanced while anonymization will be strengthened

# Air pollution

#### **Measurement of non-CO2 GHG emissions**

- Guidelines for test-bed and onboard measurements of methane (CH4) and nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions were finalized
- The guidelines may become accepted under the EU ETS and FuelEU Maritime regulations

#### **Onboard carbon capture (OCCS)**

- Work plan agreed on the development of a regulatory framework for the use of OCCS
- The work is set to be finalized in 2028



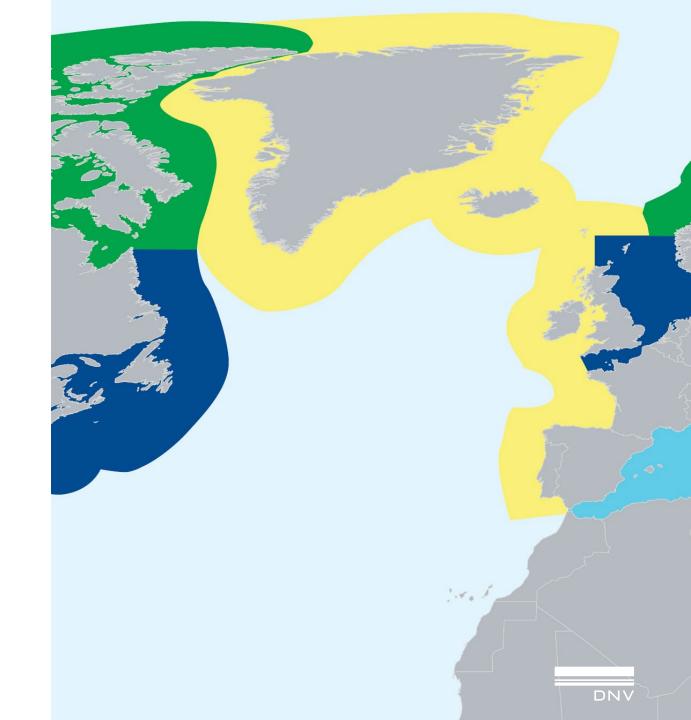
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# New North-East Atlantic ECA approved

### **Adoption expected in October 2025**

- 0.10% fuel sulphur content requirement expected to take effect **from 2028**
- Tier III NOx requirements expected to apply to ships contracted on or after 1 January 2027, or in the absence of a building contract, constructed (keel-laid) on or after 1 July 2027, or delivered on or after 1 January 2031
- Note that **these dates may change** upon the formal adoption of the amendments





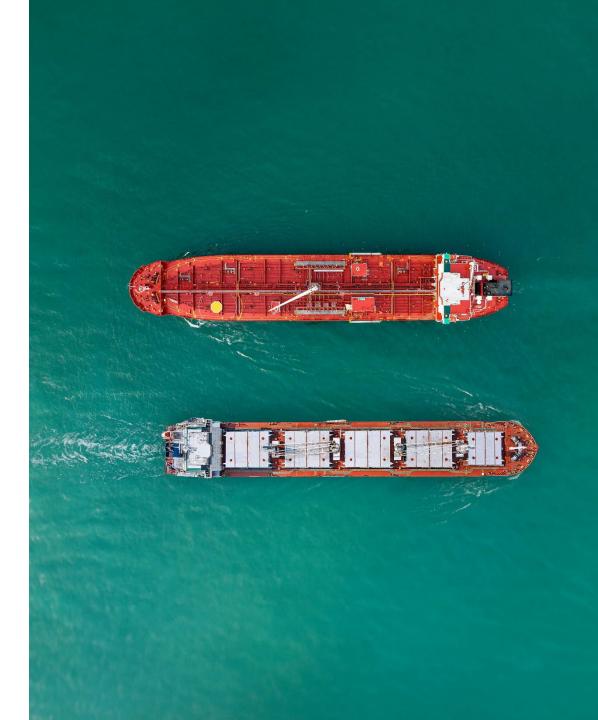
## New outputs agreed

- Development of a **legally binding framework** for the control and management of ships' biofouling
- Review and amendment of the NOx Technical Code to provide for certification of engines using non-carbon-containing fuels or mixtures
- Assessment of the implementation of the Hong Kong Convention through an experience-building phase
- Development of guidelines for the **management of ammonia slip** from ammonia fuelled ships



## Other matters

- Adoption of amendments to the NOx Technical Code
  - Allowing for the use of multiple engine operational profiles for a marine diesel engine
  - Re-certification of existing engines
- Circular **approved**, with guidance on **in-water cleaning** of ships in line with the 2023 Biofouling Guidelines
- **Amendments** to the BWM Convention in process, scheduled for approval at MEPC 84
- Interim circular **approved**, allowing conventional bunker ships certified as oil tankers under MARPOL Annex I to carry **biofuel blends** containing up to 30% biofuel.
- Adoption of amendments to Inventory of Hazardous Materials guidelines clarifying the relevant threshold for cybutryne when sampling from hull / wet paint containers
- Adoption of the 2025 Action Plan to Address Marine
   Plastic Litter from Ships



## A selection of related DNV resources and services

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