

**Ballast Water
Management Convention
and BWMS Code**
WITH GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTATION

2018 Edition

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The following amendments to the Guidelines for ballast water management and development of ballast water management plans (G4) were adopted on 26 October 2018 by the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC), at its seventy-third session, by resolution MEPC.306(73).

Guidelines for the uniform
implementation of the
Ballast Water
Management Convention

*Guidelines for ballast water management
and development of ballast water
management plans (G4)*

**Part B – Guidelines for the development of ballast water
management plans**

4 Non-mandatory information

A new paragraph 4.3 is added:

“4.3 The ballast water management plan may include contingency measures developed taking into account guidelines developed by the Organization.*

* Refer to the Guidance on contingency measures under the BWM Convention (BWM.2/Circ.62, as may be amended).”