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**CALL FOR APPROVAL OF  
EDITION 4.3.0 OF S-57 APPENDIX B.1, ANNEX A – USE OF THE OBJECT CATALOGUE  
FOR ENC, EDITION 7.0.0  
S-58 – ENC VALIDATION CHECKS and EDITION 2.0.0  
S-99 – OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR THE ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT  
OF THE IHO GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION REGISTRY**

References:

- A. IHO CL 18/2020 dated 13 May - *Adoption of Edition 4.2.0 of the IHO Publication S-57 Appendix B-1, Annex A – Use of the Object Catalogue for ENC;*
- B. IHO CL 47/2018 dated 03 October - *Adoption of Edition 6.1.0 of the IHO Publication S-58 – ENC Validation Checks;*
- C. IHO CL 20/2013 dated 11 March – *Adoption of New Editions of IHO Publications: Edition 3.1.0 of S-57 Appendix B.1, Annex A “Use of the Object Catalogue for ENC (UOC)”; Edition 1.1.0 of S-99 “Operational Procedures for the Organization and Management of the S-100 Geospatial Information Registry”;*
- D. Decisions and Actions of HSSC14 (May 2022).

Dear Hydrographer,

1. Following the publication of Edition 4.2.0 of the IHO Publication S-57 Appendix B.1, Annex A - *Use of the Object Catalogue for ENC* (see Reference A) and Edition 6.1.0 of the IHO Publication S-58 - *ENC Validation Checks* (see Reference B), the ENC Maintenance Working Group (ENCWG) has continued to maintain and extend these Publications as directed by its programme of work and in response to requests from IHO Member States and other stakeholders. As a result, draft new versions of these Publications have been prepared by the ENCWG.

2. Following the publication of Edition 1.1.0 of the IHO Publication S-99 – *Operational Procedures for the Organization and Management of the IHO Geospatial Information Registry* (see Reference C), the S-100 Working Group (S-100WG) has continued to maintain and extend this Publication as directed by its programme of work and in conformity with the ongoing development of the IHO Geospatial Information Registry. As a result, a draft new edition of this Publication has been prepared by the S-100WG.

3. At its 14<sup>th</sup> meeting in May 2022, the Hydrographic Services and Standards Committee (HSSC) endorsed the proposed changes to Edition 4.2.0 of S-57 Appendix B.1, Annex A (see Reference D, Decision HSSC14/34) and Edition 6.1.0 of S-58 (see Reference D, Decision HSSC14/35) as proposed by the ENCWG; and Edition 1.1.0 of S-99 (see Reference D, Decision HSSC14/16) as proposed by the S-100WG.

4. The draft Edition 4.3.0 of S-57 Appendix B.1, Annex A, Edition 7.0.0 of S-58 and Edition 2.0.0 of S-99 (*English versions only*) are now available to IHO Member States, for their consideration and approval on the IHO website at: <https://iho.int/en/draft-publications>.

5. These documents are supplemented by “redline” versions highlighting the changes and clarifications included in the proposed new versions of the Publications.

6. Member States are requested to take into account the endorsement of the HSSC and to consider the adoption of Edition 4.3.0 of S-57 Appendix B.1, Annex A; Edition 7.0.0 of S-58; and Edition 2.0.0 of S-99 by providing their reply at their earliest convenience and **no later than 30 September 2022** by email ([cl-lc@iho.int](mailto:cl-lc@iho.int)) or fax (+377 93 10 81 40) using the Voting Form provided in Annex A or, but preferably, using the IHO Online Form System available at the following link:

[https://IHO.formstack.com/forms/cl24\\_2022](https://IHO.formstack.com/forms/cl24_2022)

7. Member States are also notified of the HSSC approval for publication of Edition 1.0.0 of S-65 Annex B – *S-57 ENC to S-101 Conversion Guidance* as prepared by the ENCWG (see Reference D, Decision HSSC14/36). Edition 1.0.0 of S-65 Annex B is available for implementation and testing and can be downloaded from the Standards and Specifications page on the IHO website at: <https://iho.int/en/standards-and-specifications>.

On behalf of the Secretary-General

Yours sincerely,



Abri KAMPFER  
Director

Annex A: Voting Form

**CALL FOR APPROVAL OF EDITION 4.3.0 OF S-57 APPENDIX B.1, ANNEX A,  
EDITION 7.0.0 OF S-58 and EDITION 2.0.0 OF S-99**

**Voting Form**

*(to be returned to the IHO Secretariat by 30 September 2022)*

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All proposed draft Editions are available at: <https://iho.int/en/draft-publications>.

Note: The boxes will expand as you type your answers.

**Member State:**

**Contact:**

**E-mail:**


- 1. Do you approve the adoption of Edition 4.3.0 (dated May 2022) of S-57 Appendix B.1, Annex A (tick the appropriate box)?**

YES

NO

If you answer 'NO', please explain your reasons in the comment section below.

**Comments:**

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- 2. Do you approve the adoption of Edition 7.0.0 (dated May 2022) of S-58 (tick the appropriate box)?**

YES

NO

If you answer 'NO', please explain your reasons in the comment section below.

**Comments:**

**3. Do you approve the adoption of Edition 2.0.0 (dated May 2022) of S-99 (tick the appropriate box)?**

YES

NO

If you answer 'NO', please explain your reasons in the comment section below.

**Comments:**

**Signature:**

**Date:**