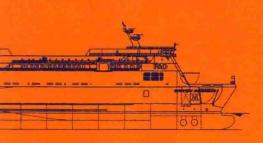
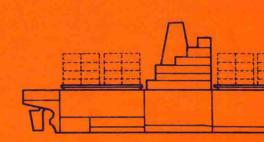


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### **Preface**

The world of cargo operations has changed considerably from the days of the open stowage of merchandise. Unitized cargoes in the form of 'containers' or Roll-on, Roll-off cargoes and pallatization have generated a need for alternative handling methods and changing procedures.

The work of the stevedore/longshoreman has moved on to a vastly different role to that previously employed in general cargo holds. The cargo units are labour saving and tend to require a different mode of working. In many cases, ship's crews or rigging gangs have replaced the role of the previous style of dock labour. The fork lift truck and the container gantry have been the source of the major causes of change within the cargo-handling environment and the demise of labour intensive activities.

Unlike the previous editions of 'Cargo Work', this new text has taken the changes to the industry and included the cargo-handling equipment and the procedures being adopted in our present day. It is anticipated that cargoes can no longer be a stand-alone topic and must incorporate the modern methods of handling, stowage and commodity together.

The two topics of cargoes and handling equipment have therefore been combined in order to appeal to a wider readership and give greater coverage to the prime function of shipping.

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His bulk cargo experience was obtained from the carriage of a variety of products, inclusive of grain, sugar, tallow, sulphur and coal.

The types of vessels and various trades in which he was engaged has provided the foundation for this up-to-date version of Kemp & Young's original work.

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### List of abbreviations used in the context of Cargo Work

°A Degrees absolute

AAA Association of Average Adjusters
ABS American Bureau of Shipping
AIS Automatic Identification System

B Representative of the ship's centre of buoyancy

BACAT BArge CATamaran
BCH Bulk Chemical Code
B/L Bill of Lading

BLU (Code) The Code of Practice for Loading and Unloading of Bulk

Cargoes

BOG Boil-off gas
BS (i) Breaking strain
BS (ii) British Standard
BS (iii) Broken stowage
BT Ballast tank

C Centigrade

CAS Condition Assessment Scheme
CBM Conventional buoy mooring

CBT Clean ballast tank
CCTV Close Circuit Television
CEU Car equivalent unit

Ch/Off (C/O) Chief Officer cm Centimetres

CNG Compressed natural gas
CoF Certificate of Fitness
C of G Centre of gravity
COW Crude oil washing
CO<sub>2</sub> Carbon dioxide

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CSO Company Security Officer

CSS Cargo Stowage and Securing (IMO Code of Safe Practice of)

CSWP Code of Safe Working Practice

CTU Cargo transport unit

cu Cubic

D Density

DGN Dangerous Goods Notice

DNV Det Norske Veritas

DOC Document of Compliance
DWA Dock water allowance
Dwt Deadweight tonnage

EC European Community
EDI Electronic data interchange

EEBDs Emergency escape breathing devices

EFSWR Extra flexible steel wire rope

EU European Union

F (i) Fresh

F (ii) Fahrenheit

FloFlo Float-on, Float-off

FO Fuel oil

FPSOS Floating Production Storage Offloading System

FSE Free surface effect FSM Free surface moment

FSRU Floating storage and re-gasification unit

FSU Floating storage unit FSWR Flexible steel wire rope

ft Feet

FW Fresh water

FWA Fresh water allowance

G Ship's centre of gravity

G/A General average

gal Gallons

GG<sub>1</sub> Representation of the movement of the ship's C of G when

moving a weight aboard the vessel.

GM Metacentric height

grt Gross registered tonnage

GZ Ship's righting lever

HCFC Hydro chlorofluorocarbons HDFD Heavy duty, floating derrick HMSO Her Majesty's Stationary Office

HP (i) High pressure

(ii) Horse power

**HSC** High-speed craft

Health and Safety Executive **HSE** Hull stress monitoring system **HSMS** 

**HSSC** Harmonized System of Survey and Certification

**IACS** International Association of Classification Societies

**IBC** International Bulk Cargo (Code) **ICS** International Chamber of Shipping

IG Inert gas

**IGC** Inert Gas Code IGS **Inert Gas System** 

International Labour Organization ILO

International Maritime Dangerous Goods (code) **IMDG** 

International Maritime Organization IMO

International Oil Pollution Prevention (certificate) **IOPP** 

International Safety Guide for Oil Tankers and Terminals **ISGOTT** 

International Safety Management **ISM** 

International Ship and Port Facility Security (Code) **ISPS** 

International Ships Security Certification **ISSC** 

ITU Inter-modal transport unit

K Representative of the ship's keel

kg(k) Kilograms (kilo)

KM Representative of the distance from the ship's keel to the

metacentre

kN Kilo-newtons

kt Knots kW Kilowatt

L Lumber (loadlines)

Lighter Aboard SHip (system) LASH

Pounds lb

LCG Longitudinal centre of gravity

Lower explosive limit LEL LFL Lower flammable limit

L/H Lower hold

Liquefied natural gas LNG Load-on, Load-off Lo-Lo LP Low Pressure

LPG (i) Liquid propane gas Liquid petroleum gas (ii)

Metres m M Metacentre

MA Mechanical advantage

Maritime Pollution (convention) MARPOL

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MARVs Maximum Allowable Relief Value Settings

MCA Maritime and Coastguard Agency
MCTC (MTC) Moment to change trim 1 cm

MEPC Marine Environment Protection Committee

MFAG Medical First Aid Guide (for use with accidents involving

dangerous goods)

MGN Marine Guidance Notice MIN Marine Information Notice

mm Millimetres

MN Mercantile Marine (Merchant Navy)
MPCU Marine Pollution Control Unit

MS Merchant Shipping Act

MSC (i) Maritime Safety Committee (of IMO) MSC (ii) Mediterranean Shipping Company

MSL Maximum securing load MSN Merchant Shipping Notice

MTSA Maritime Transport Security Act (US)

MV Motor vessel MW Megawatt

NLS Noxious liquid substances

NMVOC Non-methane volatile organic compound

NOS Not otherwise specified NPSH Net positive suction head

NRV Non-return valve

OBO Oil, bulk, ore (carrier)

OCIMF Oil Companies International Marine Forum

ORB Oil Record Book

P Port Pa Pascal

P/A System Public Address System

PCC Pure car carrier

PCTC Pure car and truck carrier
PEL Permissible exposure limit
PFSP Port Facility Security Plan

P/L Protective location

PMA Permanent means of access PNG Pressurized natural gas

ppm Parts per million
PSC Port State Control
psi Pounds per square inch
PSO Port Security Officer
P/V Pressure vacuum

R Resistance RD Relative density

RMC Refrigerated Machinery Certificate Ro-Pax Roll-on, Roll-off plus Passengers

Ro-Ro Roll-on, Roll-off

rpm Revolutions per minute RVP Reid vapour pressure

S (Stbd)(i) Starboard S (ii) Summer

SBM Single buoy mooring
SBT Segregated ballast tank

SCBA Self-contained breathing apparatus

SeaBee Sea barge

SECU StoraEnso Cargo Unit SF Stowage factor S.I. Statutory Instrument

SMC Safety Management Certificate
SOLAS Safety of Life at Sea (Convention)
SOPEP Ships Oil Pollution Emergency Plan

SO<sub>x</sub> Oxides of sulphur

SPG Self-supporting Prismatic-shape Gas tank SRV system Shuttle and Re-gasification Vessel system

SSO Ship Security Officer SSP Ship Security Plan

SW Salt water

SWL Safe working load SWR Steel wire rope

T Tropical T/D Tween deck

TEU Twenty feet equivalent unit

TF Tropical fresh

Tk Tank

TLVs Threshold limit values
TPC Tonnes per centimetre
TWA Time weighted average

U Union Purchase – safe working load

UEL Upper explosive limit
UFL Upper flammable limit
UHP Ultra high pressure
UK United Kingdom
UKC Under keel clearance
ULCC Ultra large crude carrier

ULLNGC Ultra large liquefied natural gas carrier

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UN United Nations
US United States

USA United States of America
USCG United States Coast Guard
U-SWL Union Rig – safe working load

VCM Vinyl chloride monomer
VDR Voyage Data Recorder
VLCC Very large crude carrier
VOCs Volatile organic compounds

VR Velocity ratio

W (i) Winter

W (ii) Representative of the ship's displacement

WBT Water ballast tank
WC Water-closet (Toilet)

W/L Waterline
WNA Winter North Atlantic
wps Wires per strand

YAR York Antwerp Rules (2004)

### **Conversion and measurement table**

### Imperial/metric measurement

1 in. $= 2.5400 \text{ cm}$	1  cm = 0.3937  in.
1 ft $= 0.3048 \text{ m}$	1  m = 3.2808  ft
$1 \text{ in.}^2 = 6.4516 \text{ cm}^2$	$1 \text{ cm}^2 = 0.1550 \text{ in.}^2$
$1 \text{ft}^2 = 0.09293 \text{ m}^2$	$1 \text{ m}^2 = 10.7639 \text{ ft}^2$
$1 \text{ in.}^2 = 16.3871 \text{ cm}^3$	$1 cm^3 = 0.0610 m^3$
$1 \text{ ft}^3 = 0.02832 \text{ m}^3$	$1 m^3 = 35.3146 ft^2$

(where in. represents inches)

Metres to feet							
Cm	Feet	Metres	Feet	Metres	Feet	Metres	Feet
1	0.03	1	3.28	17	55.77	60	196.85
2	0.06	2	6.56	18	59.06	70	229.66
3	0.09	3	9.84	19	62.34	80	262.47
4	0.13	4	13.12	20	65.62	90	295.28
5	0.16	5	16.40	21	68.90	100	328.08
6	0.19	6	19.69	22	72.18	200	656.17
7	0.22	7	22.97	23	75.46	300	984.25
8	0.26	8	26.25	24	78.74	400	1312.33
9	0.30	9	29.53	25	82.02	500	1640.42
10	0.33	10	32.81	26	85.30	600	1968.50
20	0.66	11	36.09	27	88.58	700	2296.58
30	0.98	12	39.37	28	91.86	800	2624.66
40	1.31	13	42.65	29	95.15	900	2952.74
50	1.64	14	45.93	30	98.43	1000	3280.83
60	1.97	15	49.21	40	131.23		
70	2.30	16	52.49	50	164.04		
80	2.62						
90	2.95						

Feet to metres							
Inches	Metres	Feet	Metres	Feet	Metres	Feet	Metres
1	0.03	1	0.30	80	24.38	800	243.84
2	0.05	2	0.61	90	27.43	850	259.08
3	0.08	3	0.91	100	30.48	900	274.32
4	0.10	4	1.22	150	45.72	950	289.56
5	0.13	5	1.52	200	60.96	1000	304.80
6	0.15	6	1.83	250	76.20	1100	335.28
7	0.18	7	2.13	300	91.44	1200	365.76
8	0.20	8	2.44	350	106.68	1300	396.24
9	0.23	9	2.74	400	121.92	1400	426.72
10	0.25	10	3.05	450	137.16	1500	457.20
11	0.28	20	6.10	500	152.40	2000	609.60
12	0.30	30	9.14	550	167.64	3000	914.40
		40	12.19	600	182.88	4000	1219.20
		50	15.24	650	198.12	5000	1524.00
		60	18.29	700	213.36		
		70	21.34	750	228.60		

### Tonnage and fluid measurement

	<b>US</b> gallons	Imperial gallons	Capacity cubic feet
1 gal (imp)	×1.2	×1	×0.1604
1 gal (US) 1 ft <sup>3</sup>	$\times 1.0$	$\times 0.8333$	×0.1337
1 ft <sup>3</sup>	$\times 7.48$	$\times 0.2344$	×1.0
11	$\times 0.2642$	×0.22	×0.0353
1-tonne fresh water	×269	$\times 224$	×35.84
1-tonne salt water	$\times 262.418$	×218.536	×35

Weight	Short ton	Long ton	Metric tonne
Long ton (imp)	×1.12	×1.0	×1.01605
Short ton (USA)	$\times 1.0$	$\times 0.89286$	$\times 0.90718$
Metric tonne	$\times 1.10231$	$\times 0.98421$	$\times 1.0$

Grain	Bushel (imp)	Bushel (USA)	Cubic feet
1 Bushel (imp)	×1.0	×1.0316	×1.2837
1 Bushel (USA)	$\times 0.9694$	$\times 1.0$	×1.2445
1 ft <sup>3</sup>	$\times 0.789$	$\times 0.8035$	×1.0

### Miscellaneous

1lb  $= 0.45359 \,\mathrm{kg}$   $1 \,\mathrm{kg} = 2.20462 \,\mathrm{lb}$ 

 $1 \text{ ft}^3/\text{tonne} = 0.16 \text{ imp gal/tonne}$  $1 \text{ tonne/m}^3 = 0.02787 \text{ tonne/ft}^3$  $1 \,\text{m}^3/\text{tonne} = 35.8816 \,\text{ft}^3/\text{tonne}$ 

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### Chapter 1

### General principles of the handling, stowage and carriage of cargoes

#### Introduction

The transport of cargoes dates back through the centuries to the Egyptians, the Phoenicians, ancient Greeks and early Chinese, long before the Europeans, ventured beyond the shores of the Atlantic. Strong evidence exists that the Chinese Treasure Ships traded for spices, and charted the Americas, Antarctica, Australia and the Pacific and Indian Oceans, before Columbus reportedly discovered America.\*

The stones for the Pyramids of Egypt had to be brought up the River Nile or across the Mediterranean and this would reflect the means of lifting heavy weights, and transporting the same was a known science even before the birth of Christ. Marco Polo reported 200 000 vessels a year were plying the Yangtze River of China in 1271 and it must be assumed that commerce was very much alive with a variety of merchandise being transported over water.

Products from the world's markets have grown considerably alongside technology.

Bigger and better ships feed the world populations and the methods of faster and safer transport have evolved over the centuries.

The various cargoes and merchandise may be broadly divided into the following six types:

- Bulk solids
- 2. Bulk liquids
- 3. Containerized units
- 4. Refrigerated/chilled
- 5. General, which includes virtually everything not in (1), (2), (3) and (4) above
- 6. Roll-on, Roll-off (Ro-Ro) cargoes.

<sup>\*</sup> Menzies, G. (2002) 1421 The Year China Discovered the World, Bantam Press.

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Bulk cargoes can be loaded and discharged from a ship quickly and efficiently. Conversely, we have yet to see 10000 tonnes of grain being loaded into a Jumbo Jet. Ships remain the most efficient means of transport for all cargo parcels of any respectable weight or size.

It is here that the business of how it is loaded, how it is stowed and subsequently shipped to its destination is investigated. Later chapters will deal with specifics on the commodities, but the methods of handling prior to starting the voyage and the practical stowage of goods, should be considered an essential element of the foundation to successful trade.

### **Definitions and cargo terminology**

Air draught – means the vertical distance from the surface of the water to the highest point of the ship's mast or aerial.

Bale space capacity – is that cubic capacity of a cargo space when the breadth is measured from the inside of the cargo battens (spar ceiling) and the measured depth is from the wood tank top ceiling to the underside of the deck beams. The length is measured from the inside of the fore and aft bulkhead stiffeners.

*Broken stowage* – is defined as that space between packages which remains unfilled. The percentage that has to be allowed varies with the type of cargo and with the shape of the ship's hold. It is greatest when large cases are stowed in an end hold or at the turn of a bilge.

Cargo information – means appropriate information relevant to the cargo and its stowage and securing which should specify, in particular, the precautions necessary for the safe carriage of that cargo by sea.

Cargo plan – a ship's plan which shows the distribution of all cargo parcels stowed on board the vessel for the voyage. Each entry onto the plan would detail the quantity, the weight and the port of discharge. The plan is constructed by the Ship's Cargo Officer and would effectively show special loads such as heavy-lifts, hazardous cargoes, and valuable cargo, in addition to all other commodities being shipped.

Cargo runner – a general term used to describe the cargo lifting wire used on a derrick. It may be found rove as a 'single whip' or doubled up into a 'gun tackle' (two single blocks) or set into a multi-sheave lifting purchase. It is part of the derricks 'running rigging' passing over at least two sheaves set in the head block and the heel block, prior to being led to the barrel of the winch. Normal size is usually 24 mm and its construction is flexible steel wire rope (FSWR) of  $6 \times 24$  wires per strand (wps).

Cargo securing manual – a manual that is pertinent to an individual ship, and which will show the lashing points and details of the securing of relevant cargoes carried by the vessel. It is a ship's reference which specifies the on-board securing arrangements for cargo units, including vehicles and containers, and other entities. The securing examples are based on the transverse, longitudinal and vertical forces which may arise during adverse