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FOBAS Bulletin: Geographical scope of Chinese Domestic Emission Control Areas

Applicability: All ship owners and operators

This bulletin will serve to remind ship operators about the geographical scope of the Chinese Domestic Emission Control Areas (DECA's) applicable since 1st January 2019. Latest details can be viewed in this [document](#) issued by Chinese Ministry to Transport.

Along with defining the geographical scope of the DECA's for SO_x (Sulphur oxide) control, the document also discusses other emissions control targets for Particulate Matter (PM), NO_x (Nitrogen Oxides) and use of alternative compliance methods.

It is recommended that further guidance is sought from the relevant port authorities. Records should be kept up-to-date relating to any necessary fuel oil change-overs, recording the date and time of entering and exiting the emission control area. Also, it is recommended that the relevant bunker delivery notes of the maximum 0.50% Sulphur fuels used should be retained for compliance verification.

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