Day 1

08:30-09:00  Registration/coffee

09:00-09:30  Course introduction

09:30-10:45  Overview of the inter-relationship between the contract of sale, the charter party, the bill of lading and the insurance certificate

10:45-11:00  Break

Voyage charters

11:00-12:45  The shipowner’s duties:
- to provide a seaworthy ship
- to properly and carefully care for the cargo
- to proceed with reasonable dispatch
- cancellation clauses
- deviation
- slow steaming clauses.

12:45-13:45  Lunch

13:45-15:15  The charterer’s duties:
- full and complete clean and sound cargoes
- payments of freight/deadfreight
- port nominations
- to provide all port restrictions (draft, air draft, etc) at the loading and discharging ports before fixing.

15:15-15:45  Break

15:45-17:00  Case study 1

Day 2

08:30-09:00  Informal Q&A

09:00-10:30  Laytime and demurrage:
- NOR validity
- types of laytime
- When does laytime start to run?
- What suspends laytime?
- When does laytime stop?
- demurrage
- damages for detention
- time bar clauses.

10:30-10:45  Break

10:45-11:30  Laytime and demurrage (continued)

11:30-12:30  Case study 2

12:30-13:30  Lunch

Time charters

13:30-14:30  Time charter duration and re-delivery:
- overlap/underlap
- illegitimate last voyages
- express and implied tolerances
- last voyage clauses
- “without guarantee”.

14:30-15:30  Payment of hire:
- payment on time
- allowed deductions
- methods of payment
- methods of payment of value of bunkers at delivery
- remedies for non-payment of hire
- withdrawal of ship from charterers’ service
- anti-technicality clauses
- suspension of service.

15:30-15:45  Break

15:45-17:00  Case study 3
Day 3

08:30-09:00 Informal Q&A

09:00-10:00 Off-hire clauses:
- general principles
- the effect of different types of clauses
- the importance of the wording
- off-hire computation (per hatch/crane/gang).

10:00-10:30 Employment orders:
- employment vs. navigation and safety
- orders which a master must refuse
- orders which a master has the right to refuse.

10:30-10:45 Break

10:45-11:30 Employment orders (cont.)

11:30-12:15 Time charter cargo operations:
- Who is responsible for cargo operations?
- the effect of various clauses
- stevedore damage issues
- effect of the Inter-Club Agreement.

Common issues

12:15-13:00 Safe ports:
- What is a safe port?
- When is a port to be safe?
- What is the extent of the charterers’ duty?

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:00 Dangerous cargoes

15:00-15:15 Break

15:15-16:15 Assessment for all participants:
The assessment is an open book test, aimed at demonstrating the understanding of the subject of the Masterclass. For the purpose of improving the learning experience, the assessment will test the participant’s ability to interpret, think critically and present an organized and well written answer. All papers will be marked and each participant will receive a certificate based on the result.

Speakers

Richard Williams
Richard Williams was a partner with Ince & Co for 25 years and was chairman of the firm’s dry shipping business group specialising in carriage of goods, charter parties and P&I issues. He was regularly consulted both by private clients and also by United Nations agencies and other international bodies in relation to industry-wide issues. He is the author of numerous articles on shipping law and is co-author of the standard textbook “Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims” published by Lloyds of London Press (4th edition 2005). He is now a consultant to Ince & Co and a visiting professor, teaching maritime law at Swansea University.

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Venue

Where will the course be held?
The course venue will be confirmed approximately 8 weeks before the start of the course so we can find a suitable venue for the number of participants.

Organiser

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