

TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS FOR THE 28TH SESSION: COUNCIL -
PART II

Informal Working Group - Environment

Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete and send to council2022@isa.org.jm.

1. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal:

Submitted by the International Marine Minerals Society (IMMS)

2. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.

Definition of "Guidelines" from [President's Text](#) – Schedule – Use of terms and scope

3. Kindly provide the proposed amendments to the regulation or standard or guideline in the text box below, using the "track changes" function in Microsoft Word. Please only reproduce the parts of the text that are being amended or deleted.

"Guidelines" will support the implementation of the Regulations from an administrative and technical perspective. Guidelines will also clarify documentation requirements for an application, detail process requirements (e.g. for the public consultation process, annual reporting and periodic review), and provide guidance on the interpretation of regulatory provisions. The guidelines are recommendations and not requirements. ▲▼

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Deleted: means documents that provide guidance on technical and administrative matters, issued by the [Authority] [Commission and the Secretary-General, respectively] pursuant to regulation 95. [Guidelines have to be considered as recommendatory].

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4. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150 word limit]

- We note that there is a working definition for Guidelines in DR95: "Guidelines will support the implementation of the Regulations from an administrative and technical perspective. Guidelines will also clarify documentation requirements for an application, detail process requirements (e.g. for the public consultation process, annual reporting and periodic review), and provide guidance on the interpretation of regulatory provisions. [The guidelines are only of a recommendatory nature ...] This could be combined with the current definition in the Schedule.