

RULES

FOR THE CLASSIFICATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CHEMICAL TANKERS

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The present Rule Change Notice to the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Chemical Tankers (hereinafter — RCN) has been approved in accordance with the established approval procedure and contains information on amendments and additions, except for editorial amendments. RCN amendments come into force on 1 January 2026.

REVISION HISTORY

PART VI. SYSTEMS AND PIPING

Item	Applicability	Description	Remarks
Para 5.4	Cargo tanks Purging and gas-freeing fans	Requirement has been introduced for fans' location	IMO circular MSC.1/Circ.1683
Para 7.2.9 (new)	Fore peak ballast tanks Access, ventilation and gas-freeing arrangements	Requirements have been introduced for access to the fore peak ballast tanks, their ventilation and gas-freeing, as well as for access to the forward spaces not being defined as ballast tanks	IACS UR F44 (Rev.3 Sep 2024) (Corr.1 Mar 2025)

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5 CARGO TANK GAS-FREEING

Para 5.4 is supplemented by a **new paragraph** reading as follows:

"Fans and related connections may be located in the forecastle area, outside of the cargo area, provided the requirements given in IMO circular MSC.1/Circ.1683 are met."

7 BILGE AND BALLAST ARRANGEMENTS IN CARGO AREA

7.2 BALLAST ARRANGEMENTS IN CARGO AREA

New para 7.2.9 is introduced reading as follows:

"7.2.9 The fore peak tank can be ballasted with the system serving other ballast tanks within the cargo area, provided the requirements given in 9.10.3, Part VIII "Systems and Piping" of the RS Rules/C are met."

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