**CIRCULAR LETTER** 

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Re:

amendments to the Rules for the Classification Surveys of Ships in Service and Annexes thereto, 2023, ND No. 2-020101-012-E

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Appendix 1: information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter Appendix 2: text of amendments to Part II "Survey Schedule and Scope"

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#### Text of CL:

We hereby inform that the Rules for the Classification Surveys of Ships in Service shall be amended as specified in the Appendices to the Circular Letter.

It is necessary to do the following:

- 1. Bring the content of the Circular Letter to the notice of the RS surveyors, interested organizations and persons in the area of the RS Branch Offices' activity.
- 2. Apply the provisions of the Circular Letter when performing surveys of ships and offshore installations in service from the date of publication.

List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:

Part II: para 2.5.3.4.1

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|      | sections                |  | Circular Letter               |                  |
| 1    | Part II, para 2.5.3.4.1 | Requirements have been specified regarding frequency of bottom survey for ships of 5 years of age and less | 311-05-1946c<br>of 01.06.2023 | 01.06.2023       |

# RULES FOR THE CLASSIFICATION SURVEYS OF SHIPS IN SERVICE, 2023, ND No. 2-020101-012-E

### PART II. SURVEY SCHEDULE AND SCOPE

### **2 PERIODICAL SURVEYS**

Para 2.5.3.4.1 is replaced by the following text:

"2.5.3.4.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of 2.5.3.3, upon the shipowner's written request as an alternative to bottom survey in dry dock, during five-year RS class period — one bottom survey (except for ships specified in 2.5.1.8.13) may be carried out as an in-water survey according to 2.5.8, and for ships of 5 years of age and less — two periodical bottom surveys may be carried out as an in-water survey. Such decision shall be made in accordance with 2.5.1.8.".