



RUSSIAN MARITIME REGISTER OF SHIPPING

CIRCULAR LETTER

No. 312-09-1747c

dated 14.04.2022

Re:

amendments to the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships, 2022, ND No. 2-020101-152-E considering experience in application of the Rules

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yachts

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Appendix 1: information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter

Appendix 2: text of amendments to Part I "Classification" and Part XX "Additional Requirements for Commercial Yachts"

Director General

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Text of CL:

We hereby inform that the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships 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 during review and approval of the technical documentation on yachts (or equipment installed on board the yachts, or products/machinery installed on board the yachts) contracted for construction or conversion on or after 14.04.2022.
 3. Allow the application of the provisions of the Circular Letter before the dates specified in para 2 above, if necessary.
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List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:

Part I: annotation, Table 2.5;

Part XX: front page, annotation, Section 1, paras 2.7 and 3.1, imprint

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**Information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter
(for inclusion in the Revision History to the RS Publication)**

Nos.	Amended paras/chapters/sections	Information on amendments	Number and date of the Circular Letter	Entry-into-force date
1	Part I, annotation	Annotation has been amended due to renaming of Part XX	312-09-1747c of 14.04.2022	14.04.2022
2	Part I, Table 2.5	In item 1.18, descriptive notations Passenger yacht and Yacht for commercial service have been introduced	312-09-1747c of 14.04.2022	14.04.2022
3	Part XX, front page, annotation, imprint	Part XX has been renamed	312-09-1747c of 14.04.2022	14.04.2022
4	Part XX, Section 1	New definition "Yacht" has been introduced	312-09-1747c of 14.04.2022	14.04.2022
5	Part XX, para 2.7	Requirements relating to passenger yachts have been specified	312-09-1747c of 14.04.2022	14.04.2022
6	Part XX, para 3.1	Para has been supplemented with provisions for assigning descriptive notations Passenger yacht and Passenger ship	312-09-1747c of 14.04.2022	14.04.2022

RULES FOR THE CLASSIFICATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF SEA-GOING SHIPS, 2022,
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PART I. CLASSIFICATION

ANNOTATION

1 **Part XX** is renamed as "Additional Requirements for Yachts".

2 CLASS OF A SHIP

2 **Table 2.5.** In **item 1.18**, before the descriptive notation **Pipe laying barge** new descriptive notation **Passenger yacht** is introduced reading as follows:

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Passenger yacht The descriptive notation is assigned to yachts intended for commercial and non-commercial use, carrying from 13 to 36 passengers and not carrying cargoes	Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships Part XX "Additional Requirements for Yachts"
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3 **Table 2.5.** In **item 1.18**, after the descriptive notation **Tug** new descriptive notation **Yacht for commercial service** is introduced reading as follows:

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Yacht for commercial service The descriptive notation is assigned to yachts of 24 m in length and above, intended for commercial use, not carrying cargoes and more than 12 passengers	Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships Part XX "Additional Requirements for Yachts"
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PART XX. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL YACHTS

4 **Part XX** is renamed as "Additional Requirements for Yachts" on the front page, in annotation and imprint on the last page.

1 DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

5 **Section 1** is supplemented with the following text:

"Yacht means a decked self-propelled vessel, other than rowing craft, intended for water trips with persons lodged on board and having enclosed spaces used to accommodate all the persons the vessel is certified to carry."

2 APPLICATION

6 **Para 2.7** is replaced by the following text:

"**2.7** The provisions of this Part do not apply to yachts carrying more than 12 passengers. Yachts carrying more than 12, but less than 36 passengers, are passenger yachts. Passenger yachts shall comply with the requirements of the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships, Rules for the Equipment of Sea-Going Ships applicable for passenger ships as well as Load Line Rules for Sea-Going Ships (for yachts intended for non-commercial use), Rules for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships Intended for Operation in Sea Areas and Inland Waterways of the Russian Federation (for yachts flying the RF flag) and, if applicable, international conventions, codes, and additional Flag State MA requirements. The national Flag State MA requirements¹ shall take precedence over similar requirements of the RS rules. Yachts carrying more than 36 passengers shall fully comply with all the requirements of the RS rules specified above that apply to passenger ships. For yachts carrying more than 12 persons, the class notation shall be assigned in accordance with Section 3.

¹ List of safety standards applied by the Register: Red Ensign Group – Yacht Code Part B – Passenger Yacht Code (PYC), Malta Commercial Yacht Code, Marshall Islands Yacht Code. In the absence of national MA standards, it is recommended to use PYC."

3 CLASS OF A SHIP

7 **Para 3.1** is supplemented with the following text:

"Yachts specified in 2.7, intended for commercial or non-commercial use, carrying from 13 to 36 passengers, are assigned the descriptive notation **Passenger yacht** with account of 3.2 and 3.3.

Yachts specified in 2.7, intended for commercial or non-commercial use, carrying more than 36 passengers, are assigned the descriptive notation **Passenger ship** with account of the provisions in 2.2 of Part I "Classification" as well as 3.2 and 3.3 of this Part."