**CIRCULAR LETTER**  
No. 313-04-1466c  
dated 19.11.2020

Re: amendments to the Rules for the prevention of pollution from ships intended for operation in sea areas and inland waterways of the Russian Federation in connection with implementation of IMO resolution MEPC.315(74)

**Item(s) of supervision:**
ships under construction and in service

**Entry-into-force date:**
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**Director General**  
Konstantin G. Palnikov

**Text of CL:**

We hereby inform that the Rules for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships Intended for Operation in Sea Areas and Inland Waterways of the Russian Federation shall be amended at re-publication in 2021 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 operational documentation for compliance with regulation 14 of Annex II to MARPOL 73/78 from the date of entry-into-force of the amendments.

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

Part III: paras 1.1, and 4.1.1

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

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PART III. SHIP’S CONSTRUCTION, EQUIPMENT AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION BY NOXIOUS LIQUID SUBSTANCES IN BULK

1 DEFINITIONS

1 Para 1.1. After the definition "Underwater discharge outlet", the following new definition "Persistent floater" is introduced:

"Persistent floater means a slick forming substance with the following properties:
- density: ≤ sea water (1025 kg/m³ at 20 °C);
- vapour pressure: ≤ 0,3 kPa;
- solubility: ≤ 0,1 % (for liquids) ≤ 10 % (for solids);
- kinematic viscosity: > 10 cSt at 20 °C."

4 REQUIREMENTS FOR THE EQUIPMENT OF SHIPS CARRYING NOXIOUS LIQUID SUBSTANCES IN BULK

2 Para 4.1.1 is replaced by the following text:

"4.1.1 Tank washing arrangements shall have an approved structure. The washing arrangements shall be selected in compliance with an applicable prewash procedure specified in Appendix 6 to Annex II to MARPOL 73/78 as amended by IMO resolution MEPC.315(74)."