



# RUSSIAN MARITIME REGISTER OF SHIPPING

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**CIRCULAR LETTER**

**No. 313-15-1333c**

dated 20.02.2020

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Re:

amendments to the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships, 2020, ND No. 2-020101-124-E

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Item(s) of supervision:

ships under construction

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Appendix 1: information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter

Appendix 2: text of amendments to Part VI "Fire Protection"

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Text of CL:

We hereby inform that in connection with coming into force of IACS Unified Interpretation SC291 (Jan 2020), the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships shall be amended as specified in the Appendices to the Circular Letter.

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It is necessary to do the following:

1. Apply the provisions of the Circular Letter during review and approval of technical documentation:
    - on ships contracted for construction on or after 1 July 2020;
    - on existing ships (contracted for construction before 1 July 2020) when new, additional or replaced equipment is installed on or after 1 July 2020.
  2. 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.
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List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:

Part VI: para 5.1.15.3.

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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 VI, para 5.1.15.3	The requirements have been specified for two-way portable radiotelephone apparatuses for fire parties in connection with coming into force of IACS Unified Interpretation SC291 (Jan 2020)	313-15-1333c of 20.02.2020	01.07.2020

**RULES FOR THE CLASSIFICATION AND CONSTRUCTION  
OF SEA-GOING SHIPS, 2020**

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**PART VI. FIRE PROTECTION**

**5 FIRE-FIGHTING OUTFIT, SPARE PARTS AND TOOLS**

**Para 5.1.15.3** is replaced by the following text:

**".3** a minimum of two two-way portable radiotelephone apparatus of an explosion-proof type or intrinsically safe suitable for use in zone 1 hazardous areas as defined in IEC 60079 for each fire party. The minimum requirements in respect to the apparatus group and temperature class of portable apparatuses shall be consistent with the most restrictive requirements for the hazardous area zone on board which is accessible to fire party.

Fireman's outfit and personal equipment shall be ready for use and stored in readily accessible locations that are permanently and clearly marked and where more than one fireman's outfit or more than one set of personal equipment is carried on board they shall be stored in widely separated places.

In passenger ships at least two fireman's outfits and, in addition, one set of personal equipment shall be available at any such place. At least two fireman's outfits shall be stored in each main vertical zone."