



RUSSIAN MARITIME REGISTER OF SHIPPING

CIRCULAR LETTER

No. 314-01-1487c

dated 21.12.2020

Re:

amendments to the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships considering IACS UR S14

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 II "Hull"

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 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 the technical documentation on ships contracted for construction or conversion on or after 01.01.2021, in the absence of a contract, the keels of which are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 01.01.2021, as well as during review and approval of the technical documentation on ships, the delivery of which is on or after 01.01.2021. The provisions of the Circular Letter may be applied during plan approval requested for review by the Register before 01.01.2021.
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List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:

Part II: Appendix 1

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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	Appendix 1	Table 4.1-1 and para 4.2.2.4 have been supplemented by the requirement regarding the possibility of replacement of structural tests by leak tests for sea chests and ice boxes	314-01-1487c of 21.12.2020	01.01.2021

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PART II. HULL

APPENDIX 1

TESTING PROCEDURES OF WATERTIGHT COMPARTMENTS

Part A — Ships Covered by SOLAS (SOLAS Ships)

4 TEST PROCEDURES

- 1 **Table 4.1-1.** The text in line 22 of column "Test type" is supplemented by Footnote 9.
- 2 **Para 4.2.2.4** is replaced by the following text:

"**4.2.2.4** Tanks which do not form part of the watertight subdivision of the ship¹, as well as sea chests and ice boxes may be exempted from structural testing provided that the watertightness of boundaries of exempted spaces is verified by leak tests and by a careful visual examination of welded connections, supported where necessary by means such as a dye penetrant test or ultrasonic leak test or the equivalent."