



# RUSSIAN MARITIME REGISTER OF SHIPPING

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**CIRCULAR LETTER**

**No. 314-17-1444c**

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Re:

amendments to the Rules for the Equipment of Sea-Going Ships, 2020, ND No. 2-020101-127-E

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life-saving appliances of sea-going ships

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Appendix 1: information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter

Appendix 2: text of amendments to Part II "Life-Saving Appliances"

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Text of CL:

We hereby inform that the Guidelines on Technical Supervision of Ships under Construction shall be amended as specified in the Appendices to the Circular Letter.

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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 to ships (or equipment installed on board the ships, or products/machinery installed on board the ships) contracted for construction on or after 02.11.2020.
  3. Apply the provisions of the Circular Letter during review and approval of the technical documentation on ships (or equipment installed on board the ships, or products/machinery installed on board the ships) contracted for construction or conversion on or after 02.11.2020.
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List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:

Part II: paras 4.1.1.8, 4.2.3.2, 5.1.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.2.1 – 5.1.2.9, 5.1.3, 5.1.3.1, 5.1.3.2, 5.1.4, 5.1.4.1, 5.1.4.2 and 6.1.3

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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	Para 4.1.1.8	The requirements have been specified due to the changed definition "Bulk carrier" in 1.1.1, Part I "Classification" of the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships	314-17-1444c of 01.10.2020	02.11.2020
2	Para 4.2.3.2	The requirements have been specified due to the changed definition "Bulk carrier" in 1.1.1, Part I "Classification" of the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships	314-17-1444c of 01.10.2020	02.11.2020
3	Paras 5.1.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.2.1 – 5.1.2.9, 5.1.3, 5.1.3.1, 5.1.3.2, 5.1.4, 5.1.4.1 and 5.1.4.2	Para 5.1.1 has been deleted. Paras 5.1.2, 5.1.2.1 – 5.1.2.9, 5.1.3, 5.1.3.1, 5.1.3.2, 5.1.4, 5.1.4.1 and 5.1.4.2 have been renumbered 5.1.1, 5.1.1.1 – 5.1.1.9, 5.1.2, 5.1.2.1, 5.1.2.2, 5.1.3, 5.1.3.1 and 5.1.3.2, accordingly	314-17-1444c of 01.10.2020	02.11.2020
4	Para 5.1.2.4.2	The requirements have been specified for life-saving appliances of fishing vessels of less than 75 m	314-17-1444c of 01.10.2020	02.11.2020
5	Para 6.1.3	The requirements have been specified stipulating use of the materials not covered by the requirements of Part XIII "Materials" of the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships for manufacturing the metal structure components	314-17-1444c of 01.10.2020	02.11.2020

## **RULES FOR THE EQUIPMENT OF SEA-GOING SHIPS, 2020**

### **ND No. 2-020101-127-E**

#### **PART II. LIFE-SAVING APPLIANCES**

##### **4 REQUIREMENTS FOR CARGO SHIPS**

1 **Para 4.1.1.8** is replaced by the following text:

"**4.1.1.8** Notwithstanding the requirements of 4.1.1.1, bulk carriers as defined in 1.1.1, Part I "Classification" of the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships constructed generally with single deck, topside tanks and hopper side tanks in cargo spaces shall comply with the requirements of 4.1.1.2."

2 **Para 4.2.3.2** is replaced by the following text:

"**4.2.3.2** An immersion suit of the appropriate size complying with the requirements of 6.4 shall be provided for every person on board. However, for ships other than bulk carriers, as defined in 1.1.1, Part I "Classification" of the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships, constructed generally with single deck, topside tanks and hopper side tanks in cargo spaces, these immersion suits need not be required if the ship is constantly engaged on voyages in warm climates where the immersion suits are unnecessary (region between 30°N and 30°S)."

##### **5 REQUIREMENTS FOR OTHER TYPES OF SHIPS**

3 **Para 5.1.1** is deleted.

4 **Paras 5.1.2, 5.1.2.1 – 5.1.2.9, 5.1.3, 5.1.3.1, 5.1.3.2, 5.1.4, 5.1.4.1 and 5.1.4.2** are renumbered **5.1.1, 5.1.1.1 – 5.1.1.9, 5.1.2, 5.1.2.1, 5.1.2.2, 5.1.3, 5.1.3.1 and 5.1.3.2**, accordingly.

5 **Existing para 5.1.2.4.2 (new para 5.1.1.4.2)** is replaced by the following text:

".**2** the rescue boat complying with the requirements of 6.19. The ship may be exempted from carriage of a rescue boat, provided it carries any other survival craft or appliances for rescuing persons from water, which shall be used in rescue operations, e.g. a means of rescue that meets the requirements of 6.20.9 or a cargo handling gear equipped with a special net, basket or cradle, provided the special net, basket or cradle, as well as the cargo handling gear meet the requirements in 5.8 of the Rules for the Cargo Handling Gear of Sea-Going Ships."

##### **6 REQUIREMENTS FOR LIFE-SAVING APPLIANCES**

6 **Para 6.1.3** is replaced by the following text:

"**6.1.3** The materials used for manufacturing the life-saving appliances and arrangements shall comply with the requirements of Part XIII "Materials"; the welded structures shall be made in accordance with the requirements of Part XIV "Welding" of the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships. Possibility of using the materials not covered by

the requirements of Part XIII "Materials" of the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships for manufacturing the metal structure components shall be considered by the Register in each particular case after submitting sufficient technical justification of their possible use. The justification shall confirm provision of the specified safety level of the structures. Survey of these materials by the Register shall be performed in compliance with the requirements in 2.4.1.3 of Part III "Technical Supervision during Manufacture of Materials of the Rules" of the Rules for Technical Supervision during Construction of Ships and Manufacture of Materials and Products for Ships, as well as with the requirements of the normative documents specified in the technical documentation subject to approval on the item of use of the materials under consideration."