# CIRCULAR LETTER

**No. 314-18-1539c**  
dated 31.03.2021

**Re:** amendments to the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships considering experience in application of the Rules

**Item(s) of supervision:**  
ships under construction

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**Appendices:**
- Appendix 1: information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter
- Appendix 2: text of amendments to Part III "Equipment, Arrangements and Outfit"

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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 after 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 provisions of the Circular Letter during review and approval of the technical documentation on ships contracted for construction or conversion on or after 01.05.2021, in the absence of a contract — on ships, the keels of which are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 01.05.2021, as well as during review and approval of the technical documentation on ships, the delivery of which is on or after 01.05.2021.

**List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:**
Part III: para 3.4.12

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PART III. EQUIPMENT, ARRANGEMENTS AND OUTFIT

3 ANCHOR ARRANGEMENT

Para 3.4.12 is replaced by the following text:

"3.4.12 The wire rope shall be connected to the anchor by means of a chain cable section having a length equal to the distance between the anchor (in stowed for sea position) and the anchor machinery or 12.5 m, whichever is the less; a breaking load of the above chain section shall be not less than the breaking strength of the wire rope. The length of the chain cable sections may be included into 1.5 times the length of wire ropes specified in 3.4.11."."