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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

Item(s) of supervision:

cargo ships in service covered by the provisions of SOLAS 74/78

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Appendix 1: information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter

Appendix 2: text of amendments to Part V "Subdivision"

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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 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. Amendments introduced by the Circular Letter shall be applied during review and approval of the technical documentation on cargo ships covered by the provisions of SOLAS 74/78 subject to any conversion which affects the level of subdivision of the ship contracted for construction before 01.02.1992 regardless of the length and before 01.07.1998 for ships less than 100 m in length.
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List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:

Part V: para 1.1.5

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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 1.1.5	New para has been introduced containing the requirements for conversion of the existing cargo ship covered by the provisions of Chapter II-1, SOLAS 74/78 in connection with transferring the provisions in the second paragraph of definition "Conversion of a ship of substantial nature (major conversion)" from 2.1, Part I "General Provisions" of the Rules for the Classification Surveys of Ships in Service	314-35-1368c of 08.04.2020	05.05.2020

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PART V. SUBDIVISION

1 GENERAL

New para 1.1.5 is introduced reading as follows:

"1.1.5 Where an existing cargo ship covered by the provisions of SOLAS 74/78 is subject to any conversion, which affects the level of subdivision of that ship, it shall be demonstrated that the A/R ratio calculated for the ship after such conversion is not less than the A/R ratio calculated for the ship before the conversion. However, in those cases where the ship's A/R ratio before conversion is equal to or greater than unity, it is only necessary to demonstrate that the ship after such conversion has an A value, which is not less than R , calculated for the ship after conversion. A definition of the term "existing cargo ship" in the context of the above interpretation means a cargo ship constructed before 1 February 1992, regardless of the length and a ship constructed before 1 July 1998 of 100 m in length or less."