CIRCULAR LETTER

No. 340-04-1827c

dated 28.09.2022

Re:

amendments to the Rules for the Classification Surveys of Ships in Service, 2022,ND No.2-020101-012-E in connection with coming into force of IACS unified requirements (UR) Z10.3 (Rev.20 May 2022) and Z10.4 (Rev.17 May 2022)

Item(s) of supervision:

ships in service (double skin oil tankers and chemical tankers)

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Appendix 1: information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter

Appendix 2: text of amendments to Part III "Additional Surveys of Ships Depending on their Purpose and Hull Material"

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Text of CL:

We hereby inform that the Rules for the Classification Surveys of Ships in Service shall be amended as specified in the Appendices to the Circular Letter.

It is necessary to do the following:

- 1. Familiarize the RS surveyors, interested organizations and persons in the area of the RS Branch Offices' activity with the content of the Circular Letter.
- 2. Apply provisions of the Circular Letter for surveys of double skin oil tankers and chemical tankers commenced on or after 01.01.2023.

List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:

Part III: paras 1.1.1, 1.3.6.7, Tables 3.2.4.1 and 4.2.4.1

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Information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter (for inclusion in the Revision History to the RS Publication)

Nos.	Amended	Information on amendments	Number	Entry-into-force
	paras/chapters/		and date of the	date
	sections		Circular Letter	
1	Part III, para 1.1.1	Definition "Ballast tank" has been	340-04-1827c	01.01.2023
		specified considering IACS UR	of 28.09.2022	
		Z10.3 (Rev.20 May 2022) and Z10.4		
		(Rev.17 May 2022)		
2	Part III,	Caption to figure has been specified	340-04-1827c	01.01.2023
	Figure 1.3.6.7		of 28.09.2022	
3	Part III,	Requirements for thickness	340-04-1827c	01.01.2023
	Table 3.2.4.1	measurements at special survey	of 28.09.2022	
		No.1 of double skin oil tankers have		
		been specified considering IACS UR		
		Z10.4 (Rev.17 May 2022)		
4	Part III,	Requirements for thickness	340-04-1827c	01.01.2023
	Table 4.2.4.1	measurements at special survey	of 28.09.2022	
		No.1 of chemical tankers have been		
		specified considering IACS UR		
		Z10.3 (Rev.20 May 2022)		

RULES FOR THE CLASSIFICATION SURVEYS OF SHIPS IN SERVICE, 2022,

ND No. 2-020101-012-E

PART III. ADDITIONAL SURVEYS OF SHIPS DEPENDING ON THEIR PURPOSE AND HULL MATERIAL

1 GENERAL

1 **Para 1.1.1.** Definition "Ballast tank" is replaced by the following text:

"Ballast tank (for ESP ships only) is a term applied:

in Sections 2, 5 and 6 of this Part and a term which means a tank that is being used solely for water ballast;

in Sections 3 and 4 of this Part and a term which means a tank that is being used primarily for water ballast.

The space of a bulk carrier or double skin bulk carrier used for both cargo and ballast shall be treated as a ballast tank when substantial corrosion has been found in that tank. The double skin tank of the double skin bulk carrier is considered as a separate tank, even though it is connected with a top side or hopper side tank."

2 **Para 1.3.6.7.** Caption to Figure 1.3.6.7 is replaced by the following text

"Fig. 1.3.6.7 Maximum water level in a tank".

3 SURVEYS OF DOUBLE SKIN OIL TANKERS

3 **Table 3.2.4.1** is replaced by the following text:

"Table 3.2.4.1 Minimum requirements for thickness measurements at special surveys

of double skin oil tankers							
Special survey No. 1	Special survey No. 2	Special survey No. 3	Special survey No. 4				
age ≤ 5	5 < age ≤ 10	10 < age ≤ 15	and subsequent				
-		-	age > 15				
1. Suspect areas	1. Suspect areas	1. Suspect areas	1. Suspect areas				
	2. Within the cargo area:	2. Within the cargo area:	2. Within the cargo area:				
	.1 each deck plate	.1 each deck plate	.1 each deck plate				
	.2 one transverse section	.2 two transverse	.2 three transverse				
		sections ¹	sections ¹				
		.3 all wind and water	.3 each bottom plate				
		strakes					
	3. Selected wind and	3. Selected wind and	3. All wind and water				
	water strakes outside the	water strakes outside the	strakes, full length				
	cargo area	cargo area					
	4. Measurements, for	4. Measurements, for	4. Measurements, for				
	general assessment and	general assessment and	general assessment and				
	recording of corrosion	recording of corrosion	recording of corrosion				
	pattern, of those structural	pattern, of those structural	pattern, of those structural				
	members subject to a	members subject to a	members subject to a				
	close-up survey according	close-up survey according	close-up survey according				
	to Table 3.2.3.2	to Table 3.2.3.2	to Table 3.2.3.2				
1 At least one section is to include a ballast tank within 0.5L amidships.							

4 SURVEYS OF CHEMICAL TANKERS

4 **Table 4.2.4.1** is replaced by the following text:

"Table 4.2.4.1

Minimum requirements for thickness measurements at special surveys of chemical tankers

Special survey No. 1	Special survey No. 2	Special survey No. 3	Special survey No. 4			
age ≤ 5	5 < age ≤10	10 < age ≤ 15	and subsequent			
		-	age >15			
1. Suspect areas	1. Suspect areas	1. Suspect areas	1. Suspect areas			
	2. Within the cargo area:	2. Within the cargo area:	2. Within the cargo area:			
	.1 each deck plate	.1 each deck plate	.1 each deck plate			
	.2 one transverse section	.2 two transverse	.2 three transverse			
		sections ¹	sections ¹			
		.3 all wind and water	.3 each bottom plate			
	3. Selected wind and	3. Selected wind and	3. All wind and water			
	water strakes outside the	water strakes outside the	strakes, full length			
	cargo area					
	4. Measurements, for	4. Measurements, for	4. Measurements, for			
	general assessment and	general assessment and	general assessment and			
	recording of corrosion	recording of corrosion	recording of corrosion			
	pattern, of those structural	pattern, of those structural	pattern, of those structural			
	members subject to a	members subject to a	members subject to a			
	close-up survey according	close-up survey according	close-up survey according			
	to Table 4.2.3.2-1	to Table 4.2.3.2-1	to Table 4.2.3.2-1			
	or 4.2.3.2-2	or 4.2.3.2-2	or 4.2.3.2-2			
1 At least one section shall include a ballast tank within 0,5 <i>L</i> amidships.						

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