



RUSSIAN MARITIME REGISTER OF SHIPPING
HEAD OFFICE

CIRCULAR LETTER

No. 315-46- 774 c

dated **13.11.2014**

Re:

Implementation of the requirements of IMO resolution MSC.350(92) "Amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as Amended" to the Rules for the Equipment of Sea-Going Ships, 2014.

Item of technical supervision:

Bridge Navigational Watch Alarm System (BNWAS).

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Appendices: Amendments to Part V "Navigational Equipment" of the Rules for the Equipment of Sea-Going Ships, 2014 (ND No. 2-020101-078-E)

Technical Director - Head of Classification Directorate

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Amends

Part V "Navigational Equipment" of the Rules for the Equipment of Sea-Going Ships, 2014, (ND No. 2-020101-078-E)

We hereby inform that since 1 July 2014 the amendments to Chapter V "Safety of Navigation" of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974, as amended (IMO resolution MSC.350(92) as of 21 June 2013) have been finally adopted.

The amendments come into force since 1 January 2015 and specify the terms (other than those of IMO resolution MSC.282(86)) of equipping passenger and cargo ships constructed before 1 July 2002, with a BNWAS.

In order to apply the above-mentioned amendments to the RS practical activity, Part V "Navigational Equipment" of the Rules for the Equipment of Sea-Going Ships, 2014, shall be supplemented with the amendments given in the Appendix to the Circular Letter to be taken into account at the republication of the Rules.

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 shipowners within the area of the RS Branch Offices' activity.
2. Apply the amendments to the Rules for the Equipment of Sea-Going Ships given in the Appendix to the Circular Letter to the RS practice.

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RULES FOR THE EQUIPMENT OF SEA-GOING SHIPS (2014)

PART V. NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT

1.1 SCOPE OF APPLICATION

Para 1.1.7 The second para is assigned with number 1.1.7.1, the text is replaced by the following:

“1.1.7.1 All passenger ships irrespective of size and cargo ships of 150 gross tonnage and upwards constructed before 1 July 2002 or after until 1 July 2011, shall be equipped with a BNWAS within the following terms:”

New para **1.1.7.2** shall be introduced reading as follows:

“1.1.7.2 All passenger ships irrespective of size and cargo ships of 150 gross tonnage and upwards constructed before 1 July 2002 shall be equipped with a BNWAS within the following terms:

passenger ships, not later than the first survey after 1 January 2016;

cargo ships of 3000 gross tonnage and upwards, not later than the first safety equipment survey after 1 January 2016;

cargo ships of 500 gross tonnage and upwards but less than 3000 gross tonnage, not later than the first safety equipment survey after 1 January 2017;

cargo ships of 150 gross tonnage and upwards but less than 500 gross tonnage, not later than the first safety equipment survey after 1 January 2018.”.