



RUSSIAN MARITIME REGISTER OF SHIPPING

CIRCULAR LETTER

No. 313-08-965c

dated **15.12.2016**

Re:

amendments to the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships, 2017, ND No.2-020101-095-E, in connection with coming into force of IMO Resolution MSC.391(95) "Adoption of the International Code of Safety for Ships Using Gases or Other Low-Flashpoint Fuels (IGF Code)"

Item of technical supervision:

ships equipped for using gas fuel

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Appendices: amendments to Part XVII "Distinguishing Marks and Descriptive Notations in the Class Notation Specifying Structural and Operational Particulars of Ships" of the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships, 2017, ND No. 2-020101-095-E

Director General


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Amends Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships, 2017, ND No. 2-020101-095-E

We hereby inform that in connection with coming into force on 1 January 2017 of IMO Resolution MSC.391(95), Section 9 "Requirements for Ships Equipped for Using Gas Fuel", Part XVII "Distinguishing Marks and Descriptive Notations in the Class Notation Specifying Structural and Operational Particulars of Ships" of the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships, 2017, ND No. 2-020101-095-E, shall be amended as specified in the Appendix to the Circular Letter.

It is necessary to do the following:

1. Apply the provisions of the Circular Letter during the review and approval of technical documentation on ships.
2. 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.

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**RULES FOR THE CLASSIFICATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF SEA-GOING SHIPS
(2017)**

ND No. 2-020101-095

**Part XVII "Distinguishing Marks and Descriptive Notations in the Class Notation
Specifying Structural and Operational Particulars of Ships"**

The **Summary** has been supplemented with the text as follows:

"Section 9 has been completely replaced with due regard to requirements of MSC.391(95)".

9 REQUIREMENTS TO SHIPS EQUIPPED FOR USING GASES OR LOW-FLASHPOINT FUELS**9.1 GENERAL****9.1.1 Application.**

Requirements of this Section are intended for ships using gases or other low-flashpoint fuels. In addition to these requirements, the ship shall comply with requirements of the International Code of Safety for Ships Using Gases or Other Low-Flashpoint Fuels (IGF Code).

If the ship is a gas carrier, other than the present requirements it shall comply with requirements of the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code) and Rules for the Classification and Construction of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk.

If the ship is a gas carrier, in case of using gas other than liquefied natural gas (LNG) or other low-flashpoint fuels as fuel, requirements of both IGC Code and IGF Code shall be complied with.

In addition to sea-going ships, the requirements of the present Section are applicable to other offshore installations subject to the Register technical supervision, oil-and-gas production units and other offshore installations. Besides the present requirements, national requirements applicable to these installations shall be taken into account for these installations.

9.1.2 Class notation.

Ships fitted for the use of gas fuel in compliance with the present Section are assigned a distinguishing mark GFS (Gas Fuelled Ship) added to the character of classification.