



# RUSSIAN MARITIME REGISTER OF SHIPPING

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**CIRCULAR LETTER**

**No. 313-39-1169c**

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Re:

amendments to the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships, 2019, ND No. 2-020101-114-E in connection with coming into force of IACS UI GF13 (July 2018)

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Item(s) of supervision:

fire protection of spaces containing equipment for the fuel preparation to use gases or low-flashpoint fuels

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Appendix(ces):

text of amendments to Parts VI "Fire Protection" and XVII "Distinguishing Marks and Descriptive Notations in the Class Notation Specifying Structural and Operational Particulars of Ships"

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Director General

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Text of CL:

We hereby inform that in connection with coming into force of IACS UI GF13 (July 2018), Parts VI "Fire Protection" and 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 shall be amended as specified in the Appendix to the Circular Letter.

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It is necessary to do the following:

1. Apply provisions of the Circular Letter during review and approval of technical documentation:
    - on ships contracted for construction on or after 1 July 2019;
    - on ships contracted for conversion to using low-flashpoint fuels or which commence conversion in the absence of a contract, on or after 1 July 2019.
  2. Familiarize the RS surveyors of with the content of the Circular Letter.
  3. Bring the content of the Circular Letter to the notice of interested organizations in the area of the RS Branch Offices' activity.
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List of ND amended and introduced paras/chapters/sections (to specify in the List of Circular Letters (form 8.3.36)):

Part VI: Table 3.1.2.1

Part XVII: para 9.7.2.5

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**RULES FOR THE CLASSIFICATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF SEA-GOING SHIPS, 2019,  
ND No. 2-020101-114-E**

**PART VI. FIRE PROTECTION**

**Table 3.1.2.1.** Item 10 in column "Description of spaces" shall be amended to read:

"Machinery spaces of category A<sup>2,14</sup>, hangers and spaces where refuelling and hanger facilities are located; spaces containing equipment for the fuel preparation specified in 9.7.2.5 of Part XVII "Distinguishing Marks and Descriptive Notations in the Class Notation Specifying Structural and Operational Particulars of Ships".

**PART XVII. DISTINGUISHING MARKS AND DESCRIPTIVE NOTATIONS IN THE CLASS  
NOTATION SPECIFYING STRUCTURAL AND OPERATIONAL PARTICULARS OF SHIPS**

**Para 9.7.2.5** shall be amended to read:

"**9.7.2.5** Any space containing equipment for the fuel preparation such as pumps, compressors, heat exchangers, vaporizers and pressure vessels shall be regarded as a machinery space of category A and provided with a fixed fire-extinguishing system complying with the requirements of 3.1.2, Part VI "Fire Protection" taking into account necessary concentrations/application rate required for extinguishing gas fires".