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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

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Appendix 1: information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter

Appendix 2: text of amendments to Part VI "Fire Protection"

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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. Apply the provisions of the Circular Letter during review and approval of the technical documentation on ships contracted for construction or conversion on or after 01.07.2020, in the absence of a contract, the keels of which are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 01.07.2020.
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List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:

Part VI: paras 2.1.1.5, 3.8.2.2 and 5.1.2

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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 2.1.1.5	The requirements for insulation coatings have been specified	313-14-1403c of 25.06.2020	01.07.2020
2	Para 3.8.2.2	The requirements for pilot cylinders of fixed carbon dioxide smothering systems have been specified	313-14-1403c of 25.06.2020	01.07.2020
3	Para 5.1.2	The requirements for additional fire-fighting outfit of special purpose ships have been specified	313-14-1403c of 25.06.2020	01.07.2020

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PART VI. FIRE PROTECTION

2 STRUCTURAL FIRE PROTECTION

1 **Para 2.1.1.5** is replaced by the following text:

"**2.1.1.5** Insulation materials shall be non-combustible, except for use in cargo spaces, postal and baggage storerooms and refrigerated storerooms of service spaces.

In the spaces where oily products may be present the insulation surface shall be oily vapours-impermeable, which may be provided by coating insulation with galvanized steel sheets, reinforced aluminium foil, aluminium foil laminated fiberglass cloth or by other means.

Vapour barriers and adhesives used in conjunction with anti condensation insulation of cooling water piping of the conditioning systems and cooling systems, as well as insulation of piping valves, fittings and joints may be combustible but they shall be kept to the minimum, as far as practicable, while their exposed surfaces shall be low flame-spread.

Insulating materials shall not contain asbestos."

3 FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS

2 **Para 3.8.2.2** is replaced by the following text:

"**3.8.2.2** The cylinders shall be placed vertically in rows on the pads, which may be made of wood and shall be accessible for inspection and checking of the amount of carbon dioxide contained therein. Each cylinder shall be marked with its ordinal number. Pilot cylinders shall be fitted in the fire extinction station. Pilot cylinders (carbon dioxide of at least 7 kg, compressed air or nitrogen) used for remote release may be placed at the fire stations or in the enclosures of the ship's internal spaces."

5 FIRE-FIGHTING OUTFIT, SPARE PARTS AND TOOLS

3 **Para 5.1.2** is replaced by the following text:

"**5.1.2** Depending on the purpose and size of the ship the standards for supplying portable fire-fighting appliances, apparatus and consumable materials shall be in compliance with Table 5.1.2. Items of outfit in addition to those specified in Table 5.1.2, shall be provided on ships carrying dangerous goods in accordance with 7.2.10, oil recovery ships according to 6.4.10, 6.4.11 and 6.4.13, ships with distinguishing marks **FF** and **FFWS** in the class notation according to 6.6.11 of this Part; ships equipped with helidecks according to 6.4.1.15, Part XVII "Distinguishing Marks and Descriptive Notations in the Class Notation Specifying Structural and Operational Particulars of Ships"; ships designed to carry containers on or above the weather deck in compliance with 6.7 of this Part."