**CIRCULAR LETTER** 

No. 314-20-1481c

dated 10.12.2020

Re:

amendments to the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Sea-Going Ships in connection with implementation of IACS Recommendation No. 13 (Rev.3 July 2020)

Item(s) of supervision:

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Appendix 1: information on amendments introduced by the Circular Letter

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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 after re-publication in 2021 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 15.01.2021, in the absence of a contract, the keels of which are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 15.01.2021, as well as during review and approval of the technical documentation on ships, the delivery of which is on or after 15.01.2021.

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

Part XVII: Table 5.6.3, paras 5.6.8 — 5.6.17

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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	Table 5.6.3	Table containing data on equipment of ships with bow chain stoppers and bow fairleads has been introduced (for the Russian version of the Rules only)	314-20-1481c of 10.12.2020	15.01.2021
2	Paras 5.6.8 — 5.6.15	New para 5.6.8 containing requirements for type of bow chain stoppers has been introduced considering IACS Recommendation No. 13 (Rev.3 July 2020). Existing paras 5.6.8 — 5.6.14 and references thereto have been renumbered 5.6.9 — 5.6.15 accordingly	314-20-1481c of 10.12.2020	15.01.2021
3	Para 5.6.16	New para 5.6.16 containing requirements for agreement of documentation in accordance with Mooring Equipment Guidelines (MEG 4) has been introduced considering IACS Recommendation No. 13 (Rev.3 July 2020)	314-20-1481c of 10.12.2020	15.01.2021
4	Para 5.6.17	New para 5.6.17 containing correction requirements for the chain bearing surface of the bow fairleads has been introduced considering IACS Recommendation No. 13 (Rev.3 July 2020)	314-20-1481c of 10.12.2020	15.01.2021

## RULES FOR THE CLASSIFICATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF SEA-GOING SHIPS, 2020,

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

### 5 REQUIREMENTS FOR THE EQUIPMENT OF OIL TANKERS FOR CARGO OPERATIONS WITH OFFSHORE TERMINALS

- 1 **Table 5.6.3** is introduced (for the Russian version of the Rules only).
- New para 5.6.8 is introduced reading as follows:
  - "5.6.8 Smit type towing bracket fittings shall not be used as bow chain stoppers.".
- 3 Existing paras 5.6.8 5.6.14 and references thereto are renumbered 5.6.9 5.6.15 accordingly.
- 4 **New para 5.6.16** is introduced reading as follows:
- **"5.6.16** Upon request from the shipowner, the Register is prepared to certify that the vessel is specially fitted for compliance with Section 4.3 of "Mooring Equipment Guidelines (MEG 4)", published by the Oil Companies International Marine Forum, 2018, as amended.".
- 5 **New para 5.6.17** is introduced reading as follows:
- **"5.6.17** The chain bearing surface of the bow fairleads described in 4.3 of MEG 4 shall have a diameter at least seven times that of the associated chain."