Subject

Periodical Survey in advance of Survey Window

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To whom it may concern

With entry into force of "International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004", IOPP and/or BWM Certificate (issued by some flag states) may be de-harmonized from Harmonized System of Survey and Certification (HSSC).

In this case, the ship owners may be required to arrange periodical surveys twice a year, if the survey window of the de-harmonized IOPP and/or BWM Certificate does not overlap enough with the one of other statutory certificates including SC Certificate.

As a way to reduce such burden to arrange periodical surveys twice a year, the owners can carry out periodical surveys in advance of the survey window and amend the anniversary date. By amending Anniversary Date, it would become easier to arrange periodical surveys once a year, because the de-harmonized survey windows are overlapped with others in longer period.

Figure below shows a case study that, in case where the survey window of de-harmonized IOPP/BWM Cert. is little overlapped with the survey window of other statutory certificates including SC Certificate, periodical survey (Annual Survey) of de-harmonized IOPP/BWM Certificate is carried out in advance and the anniversary date is amended.

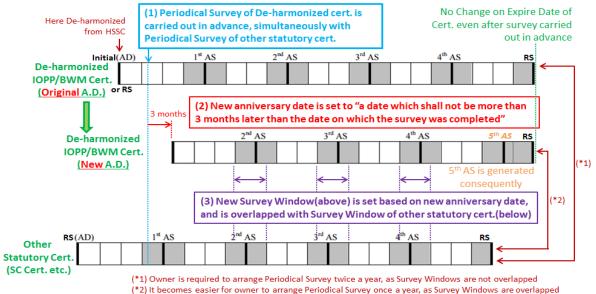


Fig. Case Study (Survey Windows are little overlapped)

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The purpose of this ClassNK Technical Information is only to introduce the schemes of survey in advance of the survey window to the owners, NOT to require or request it. ClassNK hope that the owners plan the survey schedule of their fleets in future, upon the review of the survey status of the fleets.

(Abbreviation and Note)

IOPP Cert.: International Oil Pollution Prevention Certificate

BWM Cert.: International Ballast Water Management Certificate

SC Cert.: Cargo Ship Safety Construction Certificate

Anniversary Date: Anniversary Date (A.D.) is the day corresponding to the expiry date of the

Certificate, excluding the expiry date of the Certificate

Survey Window: Period within 3 months before or after A.D. where periodical survey is to be

carried out

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