Special Surveys carried out in advance

Amended Guidance

Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part B Guidance for High Speed Craft

Reason for Amendment

Under current IACS Unified Requirements, in cases where the examination of certain items, such as the internal examinations of spaces, close-up surveys of spaces and/or thickness measurements, are required to be inspected by multiple surveys, the possibility exists of the examination of one survey being recognized for multiple surveys. For example, in cases where special surveys are carried out in advance of the due date of intermediate surveys and both surveys are performed concurrently, the current requirements allow that the examination of certain survey items may be performed only once during special surveys and be recognized as valid for intermediate surveys.

Because of this anomaly, IACS reviewed its Z7 and Z10 Series Unified Requirements and amended them so as to prohibit the examination of any items made during a single survey being recognized as an examination for the same item in multiple surveys. These amendments have been adopted as Z7(Rev.15), Z7.1(Rev.5), Z7.2(Rev.1), Z10.1(Rev.15), Z10.2(Rev.26), Z10.3(Rev.9), Z10.4(Rev.6) and Z10.5(Rev.8).

On the other hand, because related NK rules specify that in those cases where special surveys are carried out in advance of the due date of intermediate surveys that such intermediate surveys may be dispensed with, there is no possibility of the examination/measurement of the same survey item being used for multiple surveys performed concurrently. However, this possibility does exist in cases where there are long intervals between internal examinations of spaces, close-up surveys of spaces and/or thickness measurements.

Accordingly, the relevant requirements have been amended in order to maintain appropriate intervals between internal examinations of spaces, close-up surveys of spaces and/or thickness measurements in cases where special surveys have been carried out in advance.

Outline of Amendment

In case where an intermediate survey is dispensed due to the carrying out of a special survey in advance of the due date of intermediate survey, it has been specified that the special survey has to be completed no later than the due date of the 3rd annual survey.