

Amendment on 25 December 2025
Resolved by Technical Committee on 30 July 2025

Application of Enhanced Survey Programme for Chemical Tankers

Object of Amendment

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part A

Reason for Amendment

The requirements for the application of the Enhanced Survey Programme (ESP) specified in Part A of the Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships incorporate IACS UR Z11, which specifies the types of ships to which ESP is applied and the symbols to be affixed to the classification characters of the ships concerned.

The requirements for ESP in Z11 apply only to ships with integral tanks and not to ships with independent tanks such as molten sulfur carriers. However, in order to further clarify the application of said requirements, IACS adopted IACS UR Z11(Rev.7), which specifies that ESP requirements apply not only to ships constructed with just integral tanks but also to ships constructed with both integral and independent tanks.

Accordingly, relevant requirements are amended in accordance with IACS UR Z11(Rev. 7).

Outline of the Amendment

Amends relevant requirements for ESP for chemical tankers to clarify they apply not only to ships constructed with just integral tanks but also to ships constructed with integral and independent tanks.

Effective Date and application

Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2027.

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Amended-Original Requirements Comparison Table (Application of Enhanced Survey Programme for Chemical Tankers)

Amended	Original	Remarks
<p align="center">RULES FOR THE SURVEY AND CONSTRUCTION OF STEEL SHIPS</p> <p align="center">Part A GENERAL RULES</p> <p align="center">Chapter 1 GENERAL</p> <p>1.2 Class Notations</p> <p>1.2.7 Application of Special Survey Scheme 1 For oil tankers defined in 1.3.1(11), Part B, chemical tankers defined in 1.2.4-2 with integral tanks <u>including hybrid configurations constructed with both integral and independent tanks</u>, bulk carriers defined in 1.3.1(13), Part B and self-unloading ships defined in 1.3.1(19), Part B, for which enhanced surveys are carried out in class maintenance surveys in accordance with the relevant provisions of Part B, the notation of “<i>Enhanced Survey Programme</i>” (abbreviated to <i>ESP</i>) is affixed to the Classification Characters.</p>	<p align="center">RULES FOR THE SURVEY AND CONSTRUCTION OF STEEL SHIPS</p> <p align="center">Part A GENERAL RULES</p> <p align="center">Chapter 1 GENERAL</p> <p>1.2 Class Notations</p> <p>1.2.7 Application of Special Survey Scheme 1 For oil tankers defined in 1.3.1(11), Part B, chemical tankers defined in 1.2.4-2 with integral tanks, bulk carriers defined in 1.3.1(13), Part B and self-unloading ships defined in 1.3.1(19), Part B, for which enhanced surveys are carried out in class maintenance surveys in accordance with the relevant provisions of Part B, the notation of “<i>Enhanced Survey Programme</i>” (abbreviated to <i>ESP</i>) is affixed to the Classification Characters.</p>	<p>IACS UR Z11 (Rev.7) 2.6</p>
EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICATION		
<p>1. The effective date of the amendments is 1 January 2027.</p>		