

Subject

Carriage of immersion suits onboard Panama flagged ship

ClassNK

Technical Information

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To whom it may concern

The Panama Maritime Authority has revised Merchant Marine Circular MMC-144 (April 2023) regarding the implementation of the carriage of immersion suits onboard Panama flagged ship. The followings are major revised parts from the No. TEC-1289. The requirement for carriage of immersion suits for use during drills is NOT amended. This ClassNK Technical Information supersedes ClassNK Technical Information No. TEC-1289.

- For immersion suit and anti-exposure suit, air pressure test is to be conducted at three years intervals, and annually for suits over ten years of age according to MSC/Circ.1114.
Air pressure test for suits over ten years of age is required from the next periodical survey of the Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate, on or after 1 June 2023.

It is recommended that the air pressure test is to be performed at a suitable shore-based facility equipped to make any necessary repairs in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
The air pressure test may be carried out on board ship if suitable equipment is available.

For further details, please refer to the relevant Merchant Marine Circular posted on the following website.
URL: <https://panamashipregistry.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/MMC-144-SEGUMAR-Apr2023-Rev-MR.pdf>

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