

Subject:

Non-Japanese Chemical Tankers/Gas
Carriers carrying Fitness
Certificate of IMO Code

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To Shipowners Concerned

The tenth set of Amendment to the Chemical Code, IMO Resolution A212(VII) (referred to as Chemical Code, hereunder) and the fourth set of Amendment to the Gas Code, IMO Resolution A328(IX) (referred to as Gas Code, hereunder) were adopted at MSC of IMO on 14th June 1983.

In these Amendments, the regulations regarding the periodical surveys are widely amended and they will be applied on or after 14th June 1984.

In brief, the survey on the related equipments has been required at an interval not exceeding 2 years for the chemical tankers and at an interval not exceeding 30 months for the gas carriers respectively as the survey during the period of validity of each fitness certificate so far. However, according to the aforementioned Amendments, the annual survey/ intermediate survey are required in lieu of the surveys as mentioned above like those for SC certificates and OPP certificates.

In this connection, the owners of the chemical tankers/gas carriers to which the aforementioned Amendments are applied are advised to request to this society, on or after 14th June 1984 during each due period, the annual survey or the intermediate survey as appropriate which generally takes place on the same occasion to that for SC certificates and OPP certificates.

Only the survey system required under the aforementioned Amendments may be also applied in lieu of that required under the original Codes to the chemical tankers/gas carriers to which the aforementioned Amendments are not applied, if the owners request it.

Meanwhile, the chemical tankers/gas carriers of the Panamanian flag are required to undergo the annual survey/ intermediate survey irrespective of application of any Amendments like those required under the aforementioned Amendments according to the instructions of the said administration. Therefore, all owners of the Panamanian chemical tankers/gas carriers carrying the fitness certificates are also hereafter requested to apply for the annual survey or the intermediate survey as appropriate during its due period.

Please direct the inquiries related to the above to the Chief Surveyor at the head office of this society, if any.

Regards

