

Subject :

Amendment of Rules and Guidance for the
Survey and Construction of Steel Ships

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To Shipowners and Shipbuilders concerned

PLEASE BE INFORMED THAT the Rules and Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships have been amended in 25th December, 1996, and come into force on 1st January, 1997. It will not be long before the above mentioned Rules are published.

Partial Amendments to Rules and Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships, Part B (Matters Concerning the Periodic Survey of Bulk Carriers)

With regard to the safety measures for bulk carriers currently under discussion at the IMO, IACS Unified Requirement Z10.2 was revised in order to further strengthen the enhanced survey requirements for Bulk Carriers which came into force on 1 July 1993. It was decided that this revision would come into force on 1 January 1997. According to this decision, the Society's Rules have been amended. Here is an outline of the amendment.

- (1) When substantial corrosion is found, the extent of thickness measurement is to be increased.
- (2) At Annual Surveys, Intermediate Surveys and Special Surveys, close-up survey of all hatch covers and coamings is to be carried out.
- (3) At Annual Surveys and Intermediate Surveys for Bulk Carriers over 10 years of age, close-up survey of hold frames is to be carried out to the extent larger than required before.

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