

Subject

Maintenance, inspection and tests of fire-fighting systems on board the Panama-registered ships

ClassNK

Technical Information

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To whom it may concern

The Panama Government has notified ClassNK of maintenance, inspection and tests of fire-fighting systems on board the Panama-registered ships, where are produced as follows:

1. Fixed CO₂ gas fire-extinguishing systems
 - (1) CO₂ gas cylinders should be pressure tested after 20 years from the date of manufacture and every five (5) years thereafter.
 - (2) Weight measurement of contents should be carried out every two (2) years.
2. Fixed foam fire-extinguishing systems
Foam of fixed foam fire-extinguishing systems should be analysed as prescribed by the manufacturer or at two (2) years intervals.
3. Portable fire extinguishers and self-contained breathing apparatus
Portable fire extinguishers and self-contained breathing apparatus should be hydraulic pressure tested at intervals not exceeding four (4) years as per manufacturer advise.

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