

Amendment of the Regulations and Guidance related to the Rules for Anti-Fouling Systems on Ships

Amended Rules and Guidance

Regulations for the Classification and Registry of Ships

Regulations for the Issue of Statutory Certificates

Guidance for the Classification and Registry of Ships

Reason for Amendment

Because the International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-Fouling Systems on Ships, 2001 (adopted on 5 October 2001) is due to enter into force on 17 September 2008, the Society established a new Installation Rule known as the Rules for Anti-Fouling Systems on Ships.

These new rules are based on those requirements for ships in conventions and provisions related to any surveys and certifications under the convention given in the guidelines adopted by resolution MEPC.102(48). In relation to these new rules, it was necessary to amend any relevant regulations and guidance in order to issue new Installation Characters and Certifications under such conventions.

Accordingly, all relevant requirements have been amended in relation to these newly established installation rules known as the Rules for Anti-Fouling Systems on Ships.

Outline of Amendment

- (1) Relevant provisions for the issuance of the new Installation Characters of “AFS” and “AFS·C” have been specified in the Regulations and Guidance for the Classification and Registry of Ships.
- (2) Relevant provisions given in the Regulations for the Issue of Statutory Certificates have been amended for certification under the International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-Fouling Systems on Ships.