

The Entry to the Forward Ballast Tank of Oil Tankers

Amended Guidance

Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part D

Reason for Amendment

The requirements regarding the ballast pipes of the forward ballast tanks which are led to other ballast piping systems serving a ballast tanks which are adjacent to cargo oil tanks are specified in IACS Unified Requirement (UR) F44.

Although the requirement regarding the entry into forward ballast tanks were specified in IACS UR F44, there was no specification made related the requirements regarding the indirect access into forward ballast tanks through enclosed spaces of hazardous areas. For this reason, IACS amended UR F44 to specify such appropriate requirements and these were adopted as IACS UR F44 (Rev.1).

Accordingly, relevant requirements have been amended in accordance with IACS UR F44 (Rev.1).

Outline of Amendment

The requirement regarding the indirect access from open decks to the forward ballast tanks through enclosed spaces of hazardous areas has been specified.