## Construction, Installation, Maintenance and Inspection/Survey of Means of Embarkation and Disembarkation

## **Amended Rules and Guidance**

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part B, C and CS Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part B, C and CS Rules for the Survey and Construction of Passenger Ships Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Passenger Ships

## **Reason for Amendment**

Since accidents have occurred in many cases because of defectiveness of the means of embarkation and disembarkation, the requirements for maintenance and inspection of such means have been proposed and deliberated on in the IMO. As a result, a new regulation, SOLAS Convention Chapter II-1 Regulation 3-9, regarding the construction, installation, maintenance and inspection/survey of the means of embarkation and disembarkation was adopted as Resolution MSC.256(84) at the 84<sup>th</sup> session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee (MSC 84) held in May 2008.

These requirements apply to ships which are constructed on or after 1 January 2010. In addition, the requirements for the maintenance and the inspection/survey of the means of embarkation and disembarkation apply to ships which are constructed prior to 1 January 2010. The details of these requirements are specified in MSC.1/Circ.1331 (Guidelines for construction, installation, maintenance and inspection/survey of means of embarkation and disembarkation).

Accordingly, relevant requirements have been amended in accordance with Resolution MSC.256(84) and the aforementioned Guidelines.

## **Outline of Amendment**

- (1) The requirements regarding the construction and installation of the means of embarkation and disembarkation have been specified for ships which are constructed on or after 1 January 2010.
- (2) The requirements regarding the maintenance and the inspection/survey of the means of embarkation and disembarkation have been specified.