

Revision of the Forms for the CERTIFICATE OF CLASSIFICATION and PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE OF CLASSIFICATION

Amended Rules and Guidance

Guidance for the Classification and Registry of Ships

Reason for Amendment

Since the Official Number for a Panamanian-flagged ship changes whenever the contents of the ship's Certificate of Registry have been changed, the relevant Certificate of Classification has to be rewritten with the new Official Number. The resulting fees for rewriting said certificates and the task of replacing the older ones on board the ship are the sole responsibility of the shipowner.

Therefore, in order to help mitigate the burden placed upon shipowners in the aforementioned case, the forms related to the Certificate of Classification and Provisional Certificate of Classification for Non-Japanese-flagged ship(s) have been partially revised.

Outline of Amendment

The column "Official Number" on the Certificate of Classification and Provisional Certificate of Classification for Non-Japanese-flagged ship has been changed to "Distinctive Number or Letters".