

Amendments of the Unified Interpretation for the IMO PSPC

Amended Guidance

Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part C

Reason for Amendment

IACS specifies that Unified Interpretation SC223 as the interpretation for the IMO Performance Standard for Protective Coatings (PSPC) (Resolution MSC.215(82)) with respect to the approval of coating systems, assessment of coating inspectors, and so on. A review of SC223 was conducted by IACS and as a result IACS adopted Unified Interpretation SC223 (Rev.2) in July 2011. In this revision, some interpretations such as a clarification of the maximum dry film thicknesses of the test pieces used in coating pre-qualification tests were added.

Accordingly, relevant requirements have been amended in accordance with IACS Unified interpretation SC223 (Rev.2).

Outline of Amendment

- (1) An interpretation of the maximum dry film thicknesses of the test pieces used in coating pre-qualification tests has been added.
- (2) An interpretation of secondary surface preparation in which methods such as UHP Water Jetting may be considered to be used has been added.
- (3) An interpretation of alternative systems has been added.