Testing of Freight Containers

Amended Rules

Rules for the Construction and Certification of Freight Containers

Reason for Amendment

For the purpose of enhancing cargo handling and transport safety, a review of the International Convention for Safe Containers (CSC) was conducted by the IMO.

As a result, an amendment to CSC was adopted as IMO Resolution MSC.310(88) at the 88th Session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee (MSC88) held in December 2010.

Accordingly, relevant requirements have been amended in accordance with MSC.310(88).

Outline of Amendment

- (1) With respect to loading tests performed as part of stacking tests and transverse racking tests, testing under the "one door off" condition has been required in addition to the existing loading tests conducted with container doors closed.
- (2) Requirements specifying that the test loads of the tests given in (1) above are to be indicated on Safety Approval Plates have been added.