Ship Construction File required by Goal-based Ship Construction Standards for Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers

Amended Rules and Guidance

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part B Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part B

Reason for Amendment

At the 87th Session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee (MSC87) held in May 2010, a new set of standards for bulk carriers and oil tankers called the "Goal-based ship construction standards for bulk carriers and oil tankers (GBS)" were adopted. And also at MSC87, amendment of SOLAS to add the Chapter II-1 Regulation 3-10 which makes compliance with the GBS mandatory was adopted. Furthermore, as part of what is required by Regulation 3-10, a Ship Construction File is to be kept on board the ship and/or ashore.

In response to the above, IACS reviewed its relevant Unified Requirements in order to incorporate the requirements related to the Ship Construction File required by the GBS and adopted amendments to UR Z23, which specifies requirements related to hull surveys during construction, and to URs Z10.2, 10.4 and 10.5, which specify requirements related to the hull surveys of ships in service.

Accordingly, relevant requirements have been amended in accordance with IACS UR Z23(Rev.3) as well as URs Z10.2(Rev.30), Z10.4(Rev.11) and Z10.5(Rev.13)

Outline of Amendment

- (1) Specified requirements related to the Ship Construction File of ships subject to the GBS.
- (2) Specified the drawings, etc. which are required to be submitted to the Society as part of the ship's 'finished plans'.
- (3) Specified requirements for periodical surveys related to the Ship Construction File of ships subject to the GBS.