

Means of Access

Amended Guidance

Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part C

Reason for Amendment

The interpretation of SOLAS Regulation II-1/3-6 (Res.MSC.151(78)) and relevant technical provision (Res.MSC.158(78)) regarding permanent means of access are specified in IACS Unified Interpretation (UI) SC191.

Since the unified interpretation of dimensions for openings for access which stipulates in SC191 was not accepted at the 57th session of the IMO Ship Design and Equipment (DE57) held in March 2013, such interpretation was not included in IMO unified interpretation, which was approved at the 92 session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee (MSC92).

Considering the conclusion made by IMO, IACS reviewed SC191 and adopted the revised UI SC191 (Rev.5).

Therefore, relevant requirements were amended in accordance with UI SC191 (Rev.5).

Outline of Amendment

Interpretation of openings for access in case that the dimensions for the openings required in Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part C cannot be provided was deleted.