

Embarkation Stations of Additional Liferafts

Amended Guidance

Guidance for Safety Equipment

Reason for Amendment

In August 2006, IACS established Unified Interpretation (UI) SC213 in order to clarify the requirements related to the equipment, etc. installed in the stowage areas of remotely located survival craft specified in SOLAS III/Reg.31.1.4. These requirements have already been incorporated in to the ClassNK Rules.

Since UI SC213 specifies that the areas where additional liferafts are stowed are to be provided with embarkation stations, such stations are commonly arranged on the same deck as the stowed position of the liferaft. However, for some ships, including large container ships, such an arrangement is difficult because there is not sufficient space on the same deck. Therefore, in order to clarify the installation requirements related to such situations, IACS conducted a review of UI SC213 and, as a result, approved UI SC213(Rev.2) in November 2013.

Accordingly, relevant rules were amended based upon UI SC213(Rev.2).

Outline of Amendment

- (1) Added installation requirements for cases where the embarkation station of an additional liferaft is located on a deck different from the liferaft's stowage position.
- (2) Amended requirements to specify that the lengths of the embarkation ladders of additional liferafts only need to be considered at a ship listing condition of 20 degrees.