

Maintenance Records of Batteries

Amended Rules and Guidance

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part H
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Reason for Amendment

IACS Unified Requirement (UR) E18 specifies that maintenance records for batteries used by services needed to provide normal operational conditions for ship navigation are to be kept on board. The content of these records, such as the installation locations, manufacture dates, expiration dates, etc. of the batteries, is also to be confirmed. ClassNK requires that these records be submitted for review at the plan approval stage and that their presence on board and contents be confirmed at classification surveys during construction.

IACS conducted a review of UR E18 to clarify the timing of the confirmation of the aforementioned maintenance records and decided that said confirmation may be made, as the actual situation dictates, at either the plan approval stage or classification surveys during construction. This clarification was adopted by ICAS as UR E18(Rev.1) in December 2014.

Since the confirmation of the maintenance records of batteries at classification surveys during construction is considered by IACS to be more than sufficient, repeated confirmation is unnecessary and should be avoided. Accordingly, relevant requirements were amended in accordance with IACS UR E18(Rev.1).

Outline of Amendment

Delete “maintenance records of batteries” from the documents to be submitted at the plan approval stage.