Rudders of CSR Bulk Carriers

Amended Rules

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part A

Reason for Amendment

Although requirements for rudders are specified in IACS Unified Requirement (UR) S10, requirements for the rudders of bulk carriers are separately specificed in the Common Strucural Rules for Bulk Carriers (CSR-BC), which was established in April 2006. Therefore, UR S10 does not apply to bulk carriers subject to the CSR-BC.

In the Common Structural Rules for Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers (CSR-BC&OT), implemented on 1 July 2015, however, there are no specific requirements for rudders stipulated and, therefore, ships subject to CSR-BC&OT are required to apply UR S10 instead.

In such circumstances, IACS amended UR S10 (Rev.3), the current version of the UR, so that it is consistent with the requirements for rudders found in CSR-BC and so that it applies to bulk carriers subject to the CSR-BC&OT. This amendment was approved as UR S10(Rev.4) in April 2015. However, since some time was needed to appropriately notify all concerned parties of the changes made, UR S10(Rev.4) was made applicable to the ships whose contracts for contstruction are dated on or after 1 July 2016.

For bulk carriers subject to the CSR-BC&OT whose contracts for construction are dated between 1 July 2015 and 30 June 2016, IACS decided that the requirements for rudders specified in the CSR-BC are to apply. This was specified as a footnote in UR S10(Rev.3) and approved as UR S10(Rev.3 Corr.1).

Therefore, relevant requirements were amended in accordance with UR S10(Rev.3 Corr.1).

Outline of Amendment

Specified that the requirements for rudders specified in the CSR-BC are to apply to bulk carriers which are subject to the CSR-BC&OT and whose contracts for construction are dated between 1 July 2015 and 30 June 2016.