Arrangement of Paint Lockers in Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk

Amended Guidance

Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part S

Reason for Amendment

Regulation 3.2.1 of the IGC Code stipulates that no accommodation or service spaces or control stations shall be located within the cargo area except over a cargo pump-room recess or pump-room recess. Further, MSC.1/Circ.1241 prohibits locating paint lockers above the cargo area.

In addition to the circular, taking into account the conventional practice among the industry, the ClassNK Rules accepts the arrangements where paint lockers are provided in cargo areas other than cargo tanks and slop tanks such as the upper part of the ballast tanks, cofferdams, etc.

With regard to the abovementioned arrangements, the investigations were carried out on the arrangements of ships carrying dangerous chemicals in bulk recently constructed. As a result, it was concluded that paint lockers are not to be located above cargo areas.

Accordingly, relevant requirements were amended.

Outline of Amendment

It was specified that paint lockers are not to be located above cargo areas in ships carrying dangerous chemicals in bulk.