Longitudinal Strength of Tank Barges Navigating Inland Waterways

Amended Rules

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships

Reason for Amendment

When the Rules of Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships was established in 2014, rational structural strength requirements for tugs, pushers, and dry barges were developed based upon the construction and operational records of such ships, taking into account that their navigation areas are limited to inland waterways.

Recently, relevant industries also requested the development of rational longitudinal strength requirements for tank barges. In response to these requests, relevant requirements related to the longitudinal strength of tank barges were amended based upon the construction and operational records of tank barges navigating inland waterways.

Outline of Amendment

Longitudinal strength requirements for tank barges navigating inland waterways were amended to make them more rational for such ships.

Amended Requirements

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships Part 5: 16.2.1