

# **Firms Engaged in the Maintenance, Thorough Examination, Operational Testing, Overhaul and Repair of Life-saving Appliances such as Lifeboats**

## **Amended Rules**

Rules for Approval of Manufacturers and Service Suppliers  
Rules for Safety Equipment

## **Reasons for Amendment**

IACS Unified Requirement (UR) Z17 specifies requirements related to firms engaged in the maintenance, thorough examination, operational testing, overhaul and repair of life-saving appliances such as lifeboats. IACS is continuously reviewing UR Z17 and any changes it makes to the UR are eventually incorporated into the ClassNK Rules at some later date.

At the 96th Session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee (MSC96) held in May 2016, the IMO adopted resolution MSC.402(96) which specifies requirements related to firms engaged in the maintenance, thorough examination, operational testing, overhaul and repair of life-saving appliances such as lifeboats. In addition, the IMO adopted Resolution MSC.404(96) which amends SOLAS III/Reg. 3 and 20 so as to make compliance with the requirements of MSC.402(96) mandatory.

For this reason, IACS reviewed IACS UR Z17 and adopted IACS UR Z17(Rev.14) in March 2019 in order to be consistent with the IMO resolutions.

Accordingly, relevant requirements was amended in accordance with IACS UR Z17(Rev.14). Resolution MSC.402(96) and MSC.404(96) have already been incorporated into ClassNK Rules.

## **Outline of Amendment**

The wording in requirements relative to firms engaged in the maintenance, thorough examination, operational testing, overhaul and repair of life-saving appliances such as lifeboats were partly modified in order to be consistent with IACS UR Z17(Rev.14).

## **Amended Requirements**

Rules for Approval of Manufacturers and Service Suppliers  
Part 3 1.1.1, 10.1.1, 10.1.2, 10.2.1, 10.2.2, 10.2.3, 10.3.1, 10.4.1, 10.5.1, 10.6.  
Rules for Safety Equipment 2.1.7