

Docking Surveys for Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk

Amended Rules

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part B

Reason for Amendment

The inspection requirements for ships carrying liquefied gases in bulk specified in IACS Unified Requirements (UR) Z7.2 stipulate that docking surveys conducted at the time of Special Surveys are to be carried out in dry docks or on slipways; in other words, they are not to be replaced with In-water Surveys. In addition, the requirements for docking surveys specified in IACS UR Z3(Rev.7) stipulate that, for the types of ships for which docking surveys are to be carried out in dry docks or on slipways, reference is to be made to the URs that specifies inspection requirements for each type of ship.

UR Z3(Rev.7) does not, however, specify that reference is to be made to UR Z7.2 for ships carrying liquefied gases in bulk. As a result, it is unclear as to whether docking surveys conducted at the time of Special Surveys need to be carried out in dry docks or on slipways.

In order to clarify this matter, IACS decided to revise UR Z3 and adopted UR Z3(Rev.8) on 4 April 2019.

Accordingly, relevant requirements were waived based upon IACS UR Z3(Rev.8).

Outline of Amendment

Regarding the inspection requirements of ships carrying liquefied gases in bulk, specified that docking surveys conducted at the time of Special Surveys are not to be replaced with In-water Surveys.

Amended Requirements

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships
Part B: 6.1.2