Application of Urgent Rule Change to Common Structural Rules for Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers

Amended Rules

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part CSR-B&T

Reason for Amendment

IACS normally adopts Rule Changes to its Common Structural Rules for Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers (hereinafter referred to as "CSR BC&OT") once a year in accordance with the IACS Procedures for CSR BC&OT maintenance. Such changes are then typically incorporated by ClassNK into Part CSR-B&T of its Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships prior to their effective dates.

However, IACS may on occasion decide that an Urgent Rule Change needs to be adopted for various reasons, and it may not always be possible in such cases to incorporate the change into the NK Rules prior to its effective date due to relevant NK procedures.

Accordingly, relevant requirements were amended to ensure that Urgent Rule Change Notices adopted by IACS to its CSR BC&OT were applicable from their effective dates even if they cannot be incorporated into the NK Rules by their effective dates.

Outline of Amendment

Relevant requirements were amended to ensure that Urgent Rule Change Notices to the IACS CSR BC&OT are applicable from their effective dates.

"Rules for the survey and construction of steel ships" has been partly amended as follows:

Part CSR-B&T COMMON STRUCTURAL RULES FOR BULK CARRIERS AND OIL TANKERS

Part 1 GENERAL HULL REQUIREMENTS

Chapter 1 RULE GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Section 1 APPLICATION

- 2. Rule Application
- 2.2 Rule Requirements

Paragraph 2.2.5 has been amended as follows.

2.2.5 Corrigenda Revisions adopted by *IACS*

<u>Urgent Rule Change Notices and Corrigenda</u> adopted by IACS are to be applicable from their effective dates.