Arrangements for Radio Inspector Tests at Radio Surveys

Amended Guidance

Guidance for Radio Installations

Reason for Amendment

Annual performance tests for equipment such as voyage data recorders (VDR or S-VDR) and automatic identification systems (AIS) are acceptable if carried out within three months before or after the anniversary date of the relevant certificates but not later than the date of completion of required surveys in accordance with IACS Unified Interpretation(UI) SC279.

ClassNK has taken the UI into account and has decided to apply the same arrangement to tests by radio inspectors at radio surveys.

Accordingly, relevant requirements are amended to clarify radio inspector test arrangements.

Outline of Amendment

Amend requirements related to tests by radio inspectors be carried out within three months before or after the anniversary date but not later than the date of completion of the required surveys.

"Guidance for radio installations" has been partly amended as follows:

Chapter 2 SURVEYS

2.1 General

Sub-paragraph -2 has been amended as follows.

2.1.5 **Preparation for Surveys and Others**

2 Tests and measurement data taken by the radio inspectors within three *months* of the date of the survey, in general, may be acceptable are to be carried out at the times specified in (1) or (2) below. However, in cases where surveys are carried out in advance in accordance with 2.1.3 of the **Rules**, the test period is to be as deemed appropriate by the Society.

- (1) In the case of Periodical Surveys, the test period is within three *months* before or after the anniversary date of the next required Periodical Survey but not later than the date of completion of said survey.
- (2) In the case of Special Surveys, the test period is within three *months* before the date of expiry of the relevant certificate but not later than the date of completion of the Special Survey.