Effective Date and Application of Draft Amendments

Draft Amendments have not been implemented yet, whilst their effective dates are subject to change.

No.	Draft Amendment	Effective Date and Application
1	Related to Multihull Craft Rules / Guidance for High Speed Craft	 Rules for High Speed Craft and other than Part 7 of the Guidance for High Speed Craft (Outline of the Amendment (1) and (2)) This amendment applies to ships for which the date of contract for construction is on or after 1 July 2026. Part 7 of the Guidance for High Speed Craft (Outline of the Amendment (3)) Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.
2	Fore Peak Ballast Systems and Fore Peak Space Arrangements of Tankers Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts H and R Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts D, H, S and R	 This draft amendment applies to ships for which the date of the contract for construction is on or after 1 January 2026. Notwithstanding the preceding 1, this amendment may be applied in advance upon request.
3	Amending Stability Information due to Conversions Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part B	Effective date of this amendments is 1 January 2026.
4	Special Requirement about Damage Stability for Cargo Ships to Transport Passenger(s), etc. (Japanese Flag Ships) (Japanese only)	
5	Common Structural Rules for Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 1 January 2024, Corrigenda 1) Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part CSR-B&T	Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.
6	Amendment related to Part C of the Rules for Survey and Construction of Steel Ships (2025 Amendment 1) Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part A and C Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part A and C Rules for High Speed Craft	 This amendment applies to ships for which the date of contract for construction is on or after 1 July 2026. Notwithstanding the preceding 1, this draft amendment may apply, upon request, to ships for which the date of contract for construction is before the effective date.
7	Application of High Manganese Austenitic Steel for Cryogenic Service Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part GF and N Guidance for the Approval and Type Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use	Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.
8	Mechanical Strength Testing for Side Scuttles Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part L	This amendment applies to tests for which the application is submitted to the Society on or after 1 January 2026.
9	Correction of Editorial Errors related to Materials and Welding Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts K and M Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part K Guidance for the Approval and Type Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use	Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.

No.	Draft Amendment	Effective Date and Application
10	Review of Expressions Used in Requirements for Pipes, Valves and Pipe Fittings Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part D Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts D and R	Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.
11	Approval of Synthetic Materials Used for Aftmost Stern Tube Bearings and Aftmost Shaft Bracket Bearings Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts D and I Rules for High Speed Craft Rules for the Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships Guidance for the Approval and Type Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use	This amendment applies to bearings for which the date of application for approval is on or after 1 January 2026.
12	Machinery of Polar Class Ships Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part I	Effective date of this amendments is 1 January 2026.
13	Protection of Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines against Explosions Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part D Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part D Rules for High Speed Craft Rules / Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships	This amendment applies to reciprocating internal combustion engines that fall under the following: (1) those for which the application for approval is submitted to the Society on or after 1 January 2026; or (2) those installed in ships for which the date of contract for construction is on or after 1 January 2026.
14	Response Time of Safety Devices after Incinerator Flame Failure Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part D	Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.
15	Clarification of Safety Requirements for Selective Catalytic Reduction Systems Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part D Guidance for Marine Pollution Prevention Systems Guidance for Marine Engine Emission Verification	 Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part D Applicable to ships for which the date of contract for construction is on or after 1 January 2026. Guidance for Marine Pollution Prevention Systems and Guidance for Marine Engine Emission Verification This amendment applies to the following SCR: Installed on ships the keels of which are laid or which are at an similar stage of construction on or after 1 November 2025. For ships other than those described in (a), SCR systems for which the date of contract for delivery is on or after 1 May 2026 or for which, in the absence of a contract for delivery, the date of actual delivery is on or after 1 May 2026.
16	IACS Unified Requirement for Monitoring and Safety Devices of Exhaust Gas Cleaning Systems Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part D	This amendment applies to ships for which the date of contract for construction is on or after 1 January 2026.

No.	Draft Amendment	Effective Date and Application
17	Astern Power of Main Propulsion Machineries Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part B and D Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part D Rules / Guidance for High Speed Craft Rules / Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships	 Table B2.11, Part B of the Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships; Part D of the Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships; Part D of the Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships; the Rules/Guidance for High Speed Craft; and the Rules/Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships
18	Recent Amendments to the IGC Code (MSC.566(109)) and Review of Existing Requirements (Machinery Related) Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part N Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts GF and N	 Chapter 16, Part N of the Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Effective date of the amendment is 1 July 2026. Annex 1, Part GF and Annex 1, Part N of the Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Effective date of the amendment is 1 January 2026.
19	Prohibition of Extinguishing Media Containing Perfluorooctane Sulfonic Acid (PFOS) Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts B and R Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts B and R Rules / Guidance for High Speed Craft	 10.11, Part R of the Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships and 1.1.4, Part 11 of the Rules for High Speed Craft This amendment applies to ships the keels of which are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 1 January 2026. Other than (1) above Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.
20	Tests for Preventive Measures for Redundant Operations of Fixed Local Application Fire- extinguishing Systems Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part B	This amendment applies to ships the keels of which are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 1 January 2026.
21	Special Requirements for Life-saving Appliances for Passenger Carriers (Japanese only)	

No.	Draft Amendment	Effective Date and Application
22	Ventilation Requirements for Totally Enclosed Lifeboats Guidance for the Approval and Type Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use	 Annex 2.1, Guidance for the Approval and Type Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use This draft amendment applies to totally enclosed lifeboat installed on the following ships: (a) ships for which the date of the contract of construction is on or after 1 January 2029, or in the absence of the contract, ships the keels of which are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 1 January 2029; or (b) ships other than those prescribed in (1) above for which the date of contract for delivery of the totally enclosed life boat or, in the absence of a contract of delivery, the actual date of delivery of the totally enclosed life boat to the ship is on or after 1 January 2029. (2) Annex 2.2, Guidance for the Approval and Type Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use This amendment applies to life saving appliances installed on ships on or after 1 January 2029.
23	Unified Interpretation for Launching Appliances for Rescue Boats Guidance for Safety Equipment	Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.
24	Unified Interpretation for Means of Escape from Steering Gear Spaces and Machinery Spaces of Category A Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part R	This amendment applies to materials used for ships for which the date of contract for construction is on or after 1 January 2026.
25	Service Suppliers Providing Commissioning Testing of Ballast Water Treatment Equipment Rules for Approval of Manufacturers and Service Suppliers	Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.
26	Unified Interpretation for Valves Fitted on Collision Bulkheads Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part D Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part D Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Passenger Ships	Amendment (1) applies to ships for which the date of the contract for construction is on or after 1 January 2026. The effective date of amendment (2) is 1 January 2026.
27	Amendment of Performance Standards for Electrical Chart Display and Information Systems(ECDIS) (Japanese only)	
28	Clarification of the Requirement of the Radio Installations for Japanese Flag Flying Ships Engaged on Domestic Voyages (Japanese only)	

No.	Draft Amendment	Effective Date and Application
29	Lifting Appliances and Anchor Handling Winches Regulations / Guidance for the Classification and Registry of Ships Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts CSR-B&T, K, O, P, and T Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts U, D, O, and P Rules / Guidance for Cargo Handling Appliances Rules for Diving Systems Rules for the Survey and Construction of Passenger Ships Rules for the Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships Rules for Floating Docks Guidance for the Approval and Type Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use	This draft amendment applies on or after 1 January 2026
30	Hydrocarbon Gas Detectors and Bilge High Level Alarms in Cargo Pump-rooms Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part R	This draft amendment applies to ships for which the date of contract for construction is on or after 1 January 2026.
31	Review of Existing Requirements of Part GF and Part N (Equipment Related) Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part GF and N	Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.
32	Review of Guidance for the Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts B, C, D, GF, H, L, N, and X Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts B, C, U, W, CS, D, GF, H, K, L, N, S, P, PS, and R Guidance for Marine Pollution Prevention Systems Rules / Guidance for Cargo Refrigerating Installations Rules for Automatic and Remote Control Systems Guidance for Preventive Machinery Maintenance Systems Guidance for Centralized Cargo Monitoring and Control Systems Rules / Guidance for High Speed Craft Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Passenger Ships Rules / Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships Guidance for the Approval and Type Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use	This amendment applies to materials and equipment for marine use for which the application for approval is submitted to the Society on or after 1 July 2026.

No.	Draft Amendment	Effective Date and Application
33	Requirements for Electrical Installations of Dynamic Positioning Systems Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts B, H, and P Rules for the Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships	 Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts B and P This amendment applies to ships for which the date of contract for construction is on or after 1 January 2026. Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part P and Rules for the Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships This amendment applies to rotating machines for which the application for survey is submitted to the Society on or after 1 January 2026.
34	Redundancy of Single Electric Propulsion Motors Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part H Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Parts D and H Guidance for High Speed Craft Rules / Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Inland Waterway Ships	This amendment applies to ships for which the date of contract for construction is on or after 1 January 2026. For passenger ships, this amendment applies to electric machines for propulsion for which the date of contract for delivery is on or after 1 January 2026.
35	Earth Fault Alarm Devices for High Voltage Electrical Installations Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part H	Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.
36	Application of the SPS Code Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part O Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part O	Effective date of this draft amendment is 1 January 2026.
37	Interval between Open-up Examinations of Valves and Cocks at Docking Surveys Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part B	Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2026.
38	Application of Enhanced Survey Programme for Chemical Tankers Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part A	Effective date of this amendment is 1 January 2027.
39	General Examination of Expansion Joints Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part B Guidance for High Speed Craft	This amendment applies to periodical surveys for which the application is submitted to the Society on or after 1 January 2026.