

RULES FOR APPROVAL OF MANUFACTURERS AND SERVICE SUPPLIERS

**Rules for Approval of Manufacturers and Service Suppliers
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AMENDMENT TO THE RULES FOR APPROVAL OF MANUFACTURERS AND SERVICE SUPPLIERS

“Rules for approval of manufacturers and service suppliers” has been partly amended as follows:

Part 3 REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVAL OF SERVICE SUPPLIERS

Chapter 1 GENERAL

1.1 General

Paragraph 1.1.1 has been amended as follows.

1.1.1 Application

1 This part applies to service suppliers listed as follows:

- (1) Firms engaged in thickness measurements on ships
- (2) Firms carrying out in-water survey of ships
- (3) Radio firms engaged in services on ships
- (4) Firms engaged in performance tests of Voyage Data Recorders (hereinafter referred to as “VDRs”)
- (5) Firms engaged in services of fire fighting equipment and systems
- (6) Firms engaged in services of life-saving appliances
- (7) Firms engaged in tightness testing of hatches with ultrasonic equipment
- (8) Firms engaged in testing of coating systems (including such cases where paint manufacturers perform their own cross over testing)
- (9) Firms engaged in services of lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear

~~(10)~~ Firms other than those listed in (1) through ~~(9)~~ above

2 Firms listed in ~~-1(1)~~ through ~~(9)~~ are to comply with the requirements in this Part as well as the requirements in **Part 1**.

3 Firms listed in ~~-1(10)~~ are to comply with the requirements deemed appropriate by the Society as well as the requirements in **Part 1**.

Chapter 10 has been added as follows.

Chapter 10 FIRMS ENGAGED IN SERVICES OF LIFEBOATS, LAUNCHING APPLIANCES AND ON-LOAD RELEASE GEAR

10.1 General

10.1.1 Application

This chapter applies to firms engaged in services of life-saving appliances listed below:

- (1) Lifeboats
- (2) Launching appliances
- (3) On-load release gear

10.2 Quality System

10.2.1 Work Procedure

A documented work procedure required in 1.2.4 is at least to contain information on items listed in the following (1) through (4).

- (1) Preparation and implementation of the services of lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear
- (2) Records of conditions of defects found during services
- (3) Reporting the results of the services and the verification by the Society's surveyor
- (4) Issue of service record certificates

10.3 Operators and Supervisors

10.3.1 Training

1 Operators and supervisors carrying out services of lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear are to have sufficient knowledge as to the following (1) through (6).

- (1) Construction and services of lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear
- (2) Operational methods of the equipment used for services of lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear
- (3) The latest version of the SOLAS (*International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea*), as amended, LSA Code (*Life-Saving Appliances Code*), IMO (*International Maritime Organization*) MSC.1/Circ.1206/Rev.1 and MSC.1/Circ.1277
- (4) Flag Administration requirements (where required)
- (5) The requirements and inspection instructions for services of lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear issued by the Society
- (6) Issuance procedure of a statement required under IMO (*International Maritime Organization*) MSC.1/Circ.1206/Rev.1.

2 A documented training procedures required in 1.2.2 are to contain the procedures to learn the knowledge specified in -1.

10.3.2 Qualifications, etc.

- 1** In general, one or more operators and supervisors are to be attached to the suppliers respectively.
- 2** As for the competence and experience, operators carrying out the services of lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear are to comply with the requirements specified in the following **(1)** and **(2)**.
 - (1)** Operators are to have at least 1 year experience of on-the-job training for the services of lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear.
 - (2)** Operators are to have qualifications for the services of lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear approved by the manufacturer, where the services are provided.
- 3** Supervisors carrying out the services of lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear are to have at least 2 year experience as an operator.

10.4 Demonstration

10.4.1 Demonstration

- 1** On board demonstration is to be carried out in the presence of the Society's surveyor to verify that the suppliers have appropriate competence for the services of lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear. However, as for the lifeboats, launching appliances and on-load release gear, which are difficult to carry out the demonstration, the submission of the service record certificates may be accepted as substitution.
- 2** In case where the supplier has been approved by other classification societies, a part of or the whole of the demonstration may be dispensed with.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICATION

- 1.** The effective date of the amendments is 30 June 2011.