

Requirements of Fire Protection for Ships Engaged Solely in the Carriage of Products with High Flashpoint

Amended Rules

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part S and R

Reason for Amendment

The requirements for ships engaged solely in the carriage of products with a flashpoint above 60°C specified in 11.1.3 of the Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part S state that such ships “may comply with the requirements for tankers carrying cargoes having a flashpoint exceeding 60°C as to fire protection and fire extinction specified in Part R in lieu of the provisions of this chapter.”

These requirements are in accordance with the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC code). However, since there is no specific reference as to which requirements in Part R may be applied in such cases, it is possible that 11.1.3 may be misinterpreted.

Accordingly, the relevant requirements have been amended to eliminate any possibility of misinterpretation.

Outline of Amendment

The reference number of the rules for ships engaged solely in the carriage of products with a flashpoint above 60°C in Part S has been stated and the reference provisions in Part R have been amended.