

# Flange Connections

## **Amended Rules and Guidance**

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part N  
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## **Reason for Amendment**

The requirements related to the use of three types of welded joints (butt welded, slip-on, and socket welded flanges) are specified in Part N of the Rules. However, since some dockyards and manufacturers have different ways of categorizing the types of welding used for slip-on flanges and socket welded flanges, the possibility exists of differing interpretations of the requirements.

Accordingly, relevant requirements have been amended to clarify the types of welding required for slip-on flanges and socket welded flanges.

## **Outline of Amendment**

The types of welding for slip-on flanges and socket welded flanges have been specified.