

Access to Controls for Closing Devices of Ventilators

Amended Guidance

Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part R

Reason for Amendment

An amendment dated 1 November 2011 incorporated IACS UI SC243 into the Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part R and the Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Passenger Ships. This amendment specified that access routes to the controls of closing devices of ventilators for vehicle spaces should possess a sufficiently clear width; moreover, it also specified that an appropriate means of access, such as ladders, should be fitted if closing devices of ventilators are located in high positions.

The above IACS UI was discussed by the IMO FP Sub-committee at its 55th Session in July 2011 and a draft MSC/Circular based on these discussions was agreed upon. This draft MSC/Circular adds some additional requirements to the UI and is anticipated to be adopted.

Therefore, relevant requirements have been amended in accordance with the draft MSC/Circular.

Outline of Amendment

- (1) Access routes to the controls of the closing devices of ventilators have been specified to be clearly marked.
- (2) The height of closing devices of ventilators which are required to be fitted with an appropriate means of access has been specified to be 1.8 *m* or higher.