

# Special Surveys Carried Out in Advance

## Amended Rules and Guidance

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

- (1) Paragraph 1.1.3, Part B of the Rules specified that Special Surveys carried out in advance of their due times are to be completed within 15 months from the date of the survey's commencement. Paragraph 1.1.4, Part B of the Guidance, however, specified that Special Surveys carried out at the times of Intermediate Surveys (i.e., the due times of the second and third Annual Surveys) in advance of their due times are to be completed up to the due date of the third Annual Survey in cases where no Intermediate Survey has been carried out.

According to the above, Special Surveys carried out between the times of the second and third Annual Surveys (i.e., the 6-month period between months 27 and 33) were to be completed within 15 months from the commencement date. Thus, the due dates were different from due dates of Special Surveys carried out in advance, at the time of Intermediate Surveys.

Therefore, in order to clarify the treatment of cases where Special Surveys were carried out in advance, requirements related to the due dates of such cases were amended.

- (2) IACS Unified Requirements (UR) Z7 and Z10 series, which specify survey requirements for existing ships, state that the results of any surveys and thickness measurements of spaces are not to be applied to both Special Surveys and Intermediate Surveys, even when the Special Survey and Intermediate Survey are carried out concurrently, in order to ensure proper interval of surveys.

Therefore, requirements related to results of surveys and thickness measurements of spaces were amended based upon the IACS UR Z7 and Z10 series

## Outline of Amendment

- (1) Specified all requirements in 1.1.4, Part B of the Rules related to the due dates of Special Surveys which were carried out in advance.
- (2) Amended requirements related to the due dates of Special Surveys carried out in advance of the due date of third Annual Survey when an Intermediate Survey was not carried out.
- (3) Specified requirements related to the results of surveys and thickness measurements of spaces based upon the IACS UR Z7 and Z10 series.