

Fire-extinguishing Systems for Galley Exhaust Ducts

Amended Guidance

Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part R

Reason for Amendment

SOLAS II-2 Reg.9.7.5 specifies that galley ducts shall be fitted with a fixed means for extinguishing a fire within the duct, and reference is made to ISO 15371:2009 in a footnote to the requirement. These requirements have already been incorporated into the ClassNK Rules and Guidance.

IACS, on the other hand, proposed that appropriate fire-extinguishing systems other than those specified in ISO 15371:2009 be also considered acceptable for galley exhaust ducts and prepared a draft unified interpretation for IMO review. This draft unified interpretation was submitted to the 6th Session of the IMO Sub-Committee on Ship System and Equipment (SSE6) held in March 2019, and the proposal was accepted. The draft unified interpretation was then later approved as MSC.1/Circular 1616 at the 101st Session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee in June 2019.

Accordingly, relevant requirements were amended in accordance with MSC.1/Circular 1616.

Outline of Amendment

Specified standards and guidance for fire-extinguishing systems other than those specified in ISO 15371:2009 for use in galley ducts

Amended Requirements

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