

Subject

Phase-Out of Single Hull Oil Tankers and CAS

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To whom it may concern

As we have informed in ClassNK Technical Information No.TEC-0557 dated 12 December 2003, the amendments to the regulation of MARPOL 73/78 Annex I for further acceleration of the phase-out timetable for the single hull oil tankers and consequently the amendments to Condition Assessment Scheme (CAS), will enter into force on 5 April 2005.

CAS implementation date is mentioned below and the owners are requested to notify the Flag Administration the intended CAS survey process at least 8 months prior to commencement of the actual survey. For your convenience, we are pleased to inform of the followings.

In Addition, we are pleased to inform you of the "Guidance for CAS" explaining implementation, technical requirements and procedural requirements. "Guidance for CAS" is available for downloading from the ClassNK Internet web-site (<http://www.classnk.or.jp/>), accessing from "Top-Menu" to "Information Services", "Download" and to "PDF Publications".

Phase-out for the single hull oil tankers
(Amendments to Reg.13G, adopted as Res.MEPC.111(50))

1. To be complied with the requirements of regulation 13F (double hull tankers) not later than 5 April 2005 or the anniversary of the date of delivery of the ship on the date or in the year specified in the following table (Reg.13G(4)).
A Category 2 or 3 oil tanker of 15 years and over after the date of delivery should comply with the CAS (Reg.13G(6)).

Category of oil tanker	Date or year
Category 1	5 April 2005 for ships delivered on 5 April 1982 or earlier 2005 for ships delivered after 5 April 1982
Category 2 and Category 3	5 April 2005 for ships delivered on 5 April 1977 or earlier 2005 for ships delivered after 5 April 1977 but before 1 January 1978 2006 for ships delivered in 1978 and 1979 2007 for ships delivered in 1980 and 1981 2008 for ships delivered in 1982 2009 for ships delivered in 1983 2010 for ships delivered in 1984 or later

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2. The Flag Administration may allow continued operation of the category 2 or 3 oil tanker fitted with double bottom or double side construction until the ship reaches 25 years after the date of its delivery, subject to compliance with the CAS (Reg.13G(5)). However, the Administration of a Party to the MARPOL 73/78 shall be entitled to deny entry into the ports or offshore terminals under its jurisdiction of oil tankers operating beyond the anniversary of the date of delivery of the ship in 2015 (Reg.13G(8)(b)).
3. The Flag Administration may allow continued operation of the category 2 or 3 oil tanker until the anniversary of the date of delivery of the ship in 2015 or the date on which the ship reaches 25 years after the date of its delivery, whichever is the earlier date, subject to compliance with the CAS (Reg.13G(7)). However, the Administration of a Party to the MARPOL 73/78 shall be entitled to deny entry into the ports or offshore terminals under its jurisdiction of oil tankers operating beyond the anniversary of the date of delivery of the ship in 2010 (Reg.13G(8)(b)).
4. As of December 2003, the 15 Member States of the European Union (at that time), Cyprus, Malta and Poland declared ban on entry into their ports or offshore terminals in accordance with the regulation 13G(8)(b). USA shall also ban any entry of the single hull oil tankers beyond 2010 and double bottom or double side oil tankers beyond 2015 in accordance with its domestic law (OPA 90).

Condition Assessment Scheme (CAS) adopted as Res.MEPC.112(50)

1. Category 1 oil tankers should be phase-out by the year of 2005 and are not applicable for compliance with CAS.
2. Category 2 or Category 3 oil tankers should be carried out the CAS concurrent with the first Intermediate or Special Survey;
after 5 April 2005, or
after the date when the ship reaches 15 years of age,
whichever occurs later.
3. According to the CAS procedural requirements, notification from the owner to the Flag Administration and to NK of its intention to proceed with the CAS should be submitted not later than 8 months prior to the planned commencement of the CAS survey. Further, as shown in the attached table, the strict timeframes are set from the preparatory states up to implementation, reporting and finally issuance of Statement of Compliance. The relevant parties (Owner, Flag Administration and NK) are to comply with these timeframes.

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Attachment: CAS Time Schedule

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