

Subject

Annex IV of MARPOL 73/78 for existing ships

ClassNK

Technical Information

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To whom it may concern

As informed previously by ClassNK Technical Information No. TEC-0494 and TEC-0545, Annex IV of MARPOL 73/78 (Regulations for the prevention of pollution by sewage from ships) entered into force on 27 September 2003 and was revised on 1 August 2005. The existing ships defined by the annex, whose date of building contract is before 27 September 2003, should obtain the International Sewage Pollution Prevention (ISPP) certificate by 26 September 2008.

It is required to complete the plan approval at ClassNK Machinery Department and carry out the initial survey in order to obtain the certificate. You are kindly requested to take into account the obtaining of the certificate by the effective date. The plan approval for a lot of ships has not been completed yet.

1. Plan approval at Machinery Department

3 sets of the following documents are necessary to be submitted to Machinery Department for approval. (As for procedures to issue the certificate when the ship has a Statement of Compliance (SOC), please refer to TEC-0545.)

- (1) Plans, documents and particulars relevant to the equipment for the prevention of pollution by sewage from ships (including total capacity, manufacturer/type and the copy of type approval certificates by the Administration of the sewage treatment plant and the sewage comminuting and disinfecting system, calculation sheet of sewage holding tank)
- (2) Sewage piping diagrams (including sewage piping diagrams in all places such as accommodation spaces and engine room, the standard shore connection, valves and their materials)

2. Initial survey at service sites

Please send "Application for Surveys and Issue of Certificate (Form 2A)" to service sites upon ticking in the box of "Initial" of "Marine Pollution Prevention Installation [MARPOL IV]" in "1. (2) Survey for maintenance of Installation Registration" and ticking in the left box of "SPP certificate" in "3. Certificate to be issued". It is required to complete the plan approval of the above 1. when the application is sent to service sites.

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By the way, the annex is also applied to existing ships of Japanese flag on 27 September 2008. However, ISPP certificate is not issued till 26 September 2008 by Japanese government due to Japanese seawater protection law.
ClassNK issues a Statement of Compliance (SOC) basing upon the requests from owners as heretofore.

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