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# GUIDELINES FOR STATUTORY SURVEYS OF SEA-GOING SHIPS ENGAGED ON NON-INTERNATIONAL VOYAGES

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# GENERAL

## General

### 1 General requirements

1.1 The Guidelines for Statutory Surveys of Sea-Going Ships Engaged on Non-International Voyages (hereinafter referred to as "the Guidelines") has been developed by China Classification Society (hereinafter referred to as CCS) for the purpose of implementation of the statutory services for sea-going ships engaged on non-international voyages outside China.

1.2 The Guidelines applies to the following cases:
(1) where the flag State Administration approves the Guidelines and authorizes CCS to issue relevant statutory certificates in accordance with the requirements of the Guidelines; or
(2) where the customer accepts the Guidelines and entrusts CCS to issue relevant survey certificates in accordance with the requirements of the Guidelines.

1.3 In principle the integrity of technical standards are to be maintained when applying the Guidelines, however the relevant parties may decide to accept and apply the scope and extent of the requirements for equipment related to ship's fire protection, navigation, communication, life-saving appliances, crew and passenger accommodation and environmental protection therein, based on the control level of safety and environmental protection required by the Administration for ships intended for navigation in its waters.

1.4 Lifting appliances on board are to comply with relevant requirements of CCS Rules for Lifting Appliances of Ships and Offshore Installations.

1.5 Ships carrying dangerous chemicals in bulk, ships carrying liquefied gases in bulk and high-speed craft are to comply with relevant requirements of International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code), International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code) and International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft (HSC Code) of IMO respectively.

1.6 The ship's strength, structure, arrangements, materials, scantlings, main and auxiliary machinery, boilers and pressure vessels, electrical installations, etc. shall be so designed and installed as to ensure that the ship is fit for the service for which it is intended. Relevant provisions of CCS Rules for Classification of Sea-going Steel Ships or other equivalent standards are to be complied with, in addition to the provisions of the Guidelines.

1.7 Ships of restricted service are to be operated within the scope of significant wave height of hull structural strength and service restriction of significant wave height is to be indicated on relevant certificates.

### 2 Application

2.1 Unless provided otherwise, the Guidelines applies to sea-going ships of 20 m in length and over engaged on non-international voyages.

2.2 The Guidelines is not applicable to the following ships:
(1) ships of war and troopships;
(2) wooden ships;
(3) pleasure yachts not engaged in trade;
(4) fishing vessels.

### 3 Equivalent and exemption

3.1 If any fitting, material, appliance or apparatus or type thereof is fitted or carried or any other provision is made in a ship, other than that required by the Guidelines, it is to be satisfied by trial thereof or otherwise that such fitting, material, appliance or apparatus, or type thereof or provision, is at least as effective as that required by the Guidelines.

3.2 When the Guidelines are accepted by the flag State Administration as the basis for statutory surveys, any exemption related to the Guidelines is to be approved by the flag State Administration.

**4 Entry into force and application**

4.1 Unless specified otherwise, the effective date will be indicated on the first page of the Guidelines.

4.2 Unless specified otherwise, the Guidelines is applicable to ships the keels of which are laid or which are at a similar stage of construction, on or after the date on which the Guidelines enters into force. Reference may be made to ships constructed before the date on which the Guidelines enters into force for implementation.

**5 Interpretations**

5.1 CCS is responsible for the interpretation of the Guidelines.

5.2 In case of any different understanding to the English version, the currently effective Chinese version of the Guidelines is to be considered as solely authoritative.

**6 Definitions**

6.1 The definitions relating to different PARTs of the Guidelines are provided in the PARTs respectively.

6.2 For the general purpose of the Guidelines:

(1) Non-international voyage means a voyage within the waters of a country and/or a voyage not from a country to a port outside such country, or conversely.

(2) Self-propelled ships are ships with mechanical means of propulsion for the purpose of navigation.

(3) Non-self-propelled ships are ships other than self-propelled ships, including ships fitted with means of propulsion only for purposes such as locally adjusting position of the ship in operating condition (not navigating condition) or auxiliary propulsion during tugging.

(4) Unrestricted service means the sea areas beyond service category 1 on non-international voyages.

(5) Restricted service is a generic term of the service categories 1, 2 and 3. The limitation for navigation of restricted service is as shown in Table 6.2(5) below.

**Limitation for Navigation of Restricted Service Table 6.2(5)**

| Category | Limitation for navigation | |
|---|---|---|
| | Distance to land (n mile) | |
| Service category 1 | 200 (summer/tropical*) | 100 (winter*) |
| Service category 2 | 20 (summer/tropical*) | 10 (winter*) |
| Service category 3 | Sheltered waters** | |

* Seasonal areas as specified in Annex II to the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966.

** Sheltered waters include the sea areas between an island and the shore and between islands with a distance of less than 10 n miles in between, which forms a comparatively good sheltered or similar condition with a little wave.