Technical Information

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To : All BKI Clients and BKI Surveyors

Subject : The Issuance of Amendments Classification Rules:
- NE January 2027 - Guidance for The Approval and Type Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use (Pt.1, Vol.W);
- NE January 2027 - Guidance for Code and Convention Interpretation (Pt.1, Vol.Y);
- NE January 2027 - Guidance for Marine Industry (Pt.1, Vol.AC).
- NE January 2027 - Guidelines for the Preparation of Port State Control Inspections (for Ship Owner) (Pt.6, Vol.9)

Summary:

1. This technical information is to inform the issuance of Classification Rules as approved at Internal Review meeting held on 31 August 2026.
2. A total of four (4) Guidance were approved by the meeting. The amendments of these Guidance are mainly derived from IACS Resolution, IMO Resoluition, feedback obtained from classification services, and other relevant sources.
3. The list of amendments, including the effective date of the Rules, please refer to the attached Summary of Rules Change.

Information:

1. The aforementioned editions of the Classification Rules are now available on BKI website (www.bki.co.id) under the menu "Research, Research & Development, BKI Rules and Regulations".
2. This information is also available on the One Gate System (OGS) at https://ogs.bki.co.id/ and is intended for internal use only.

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SUMMARY OF RULE CHANGES

NE January 2027 - Guidance for The Approval and Type Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use (Pt.1, Vol.W)

The January 2027 Edition of the Guidance for the Approval and Type Approval of Materials and Equipment for Marine Use (Pt.1, Vol.W) incorporates corrigenda to the requirements for crankcase oil mist detection and alarm equipment in accordance with IACS UR M67 Rev.3 Corr.1, improving technical accuracy and clarifying the acceptance of industry standards and testing laboratories for material compatibility verification. The amendments also update environmental testing requirements for automatic and remote control systems in accordance with IACS UR E10 Rev.10, revise terminology for fiber reinforced plastic gratings in accordance with ASTM E84, update the regulatory reference for ballast water management systems to IMO Resolution MEPC.279(80), and revise oil resistance testing requirements for inflatable liferafts in accordance with IMO Resolution MSC.488(103).

NE January 2027 - Guidance for Code and Convention Interpretation (Pt.1, Vol.Y)

The January 2027 Edition of the Guidance for Code and Convention Interpretations (Pt.1, Vol.Y) introduces amendments to GC 12 in accordance with IACS UI GC12 Rev.3, clarifying secondary barrier testing and effectiveness assessment for gas carriers fitted with membrane containment systems. The amendments address the evaluation of detected indications, approved inspection and testing methods, monitoring, documentation, and information sharing, and apply to tests commenced on or after 1 January 2027.

NE January 2027 - Guidance for Marine Industry (Pt.1, Vol.AC)

The January 2027 Edition of Guidance for Marine Industry incorporates updates to document version references for applicable IACS Recommendations. These updates reflect the latest revisions, corrigenda, and relevant issue information. The changes ensure that the referenced documents are consistent with the latest applicable versions of IACS publications, maintaining the accuracy and currency of the technical references.

NE January 2027 - Guidelines for the Preparation of Port State Control Inspections (for Ship Owner) (Pt.6, Vol.9)

The January 2027 Edition of the Guidelines for the Preparation of Port State Control Inspections (for Ship Owner) (Pt.6, Vol.9) introduces amendments based on IMO Res. A.1206(34), IACS Rec. No. 98, IMO Res. MEPC.328(76), the Tokyo MoU New Inspection Regime (NIR), and BKI internal evaluations. The amendments include updating the ship risk profile assessment and inspection criteria under the Tokyo MoU NIR; revising and expanding the list of detainable deficiencies related to SOLAS, the ISM Code, MARPOL, STCW, AFS, and BWM Conventions; clarifying PSC inspection reporting and follow-up procedures, including Additional Surveys and Audits following ship detention; updating BKI Fleet Quality Monitoring and risk-based unscheduled survey arrangements; and reorganizing the PSC self-inspection checklist into Annex 1, with the addition of company performance assessment criteria in Annex 2.