Subject

Carriage of immersion suits on cargo ships flying Hong Kong Flag



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To whom it may concern

With regard to the carriage of immersion suits on the Hong Kong flagged ships, ClassNK Technical Information No.TEC-0667 dated 6 July 2006 has been issued.

Recently, the Government has notified of the additional instruction of immersion suits for the stored position of the additional liferaft required by SOLAS Reg.III/31.1.4.

In response, ClassNK Technical Information No.TEC-0667 paragraph 1 has been modified as follows.

- (1) At least two immersion suits should be provided in wheel house and engine control room respectively as additional immersion suits. The same number of immersion suits as life-jackets at the wheel house and engine control room are required (i.e. if 3 life-jackets are required at the wheel house then 3 immersion suits are required at the wheel house).
- (2) If ship has other watch or work stations and life-jackets has already been provided, for example, cargo control room of chemical tanker etc., the same number of immersion suits as life-jackets are required to such stations. Mooring stations (fore & aft) are not included in the above watch or work stations.
- (3) At least two sets of immersion suits are to be provided for the stored position of the additional liferaft required by Reg.III/31.1.4 according to the interpretation circulated in IMO circular MSC.1/Circ.1243.

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