Subject

Safety Radio (SR) survey of Japanese flag ships on or after 1 January 2013



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To whom it may concern

Revision of a part of the Ship Safety Act (Article 8) was promulgated on 12 September 2012 and will be effective on 1 January 2013. The Classification Societies, including ClassNK are expected to be approved for SR Survey and Issuance of SR Certificate of Japanese flag ships since 1 January 2013 on behalf of the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (hereinafter "the Maritime Authority").

Although at the present it is before the promulgation of the revised Ordinance Related, ClassNK will inform ClassNK's procedures of SR Survey and the Issuance of SR Certificate as follows.

- 1. Implementation of SR Survey for Japanese flag ships.
 - As mentioned above, ClassNK is expected to carry out the SR Survey of Japanese flag ships on or after 1 January 2013.
 - Please submit the Application for Inspection along with the following documents directly to the ClassNK service site in charge.
 - (1) "Notification of Inspection results of Ship Station and Ship Earth Station" issued by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications or "Report of the Inspection Results of Ship Station and Ship Earth Station" issued by the Registered Inspector approved by Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications.
 - (Please note that the Notification/Report is effective only within three months from the issue date)
 - (2) A copy of the existing SR Certificate (Only ships engaged on international voyages)
 - (3) Others

In case where applying along with the aforementioned "Report of the Inspection Results of Ship Station and Ship Earth Station", if "Notification of the Omission of Radio Station Inspection" is issued by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications, please submit a copy of the said Notification together to ClassNK.

If "Notification of the Omission of Radio Station Inspection" is not received, please describe in the column of the message on the application form as follows;

"We will apply the occasional survey in case where the inspection of paragraph 1 of paragraph 73 of the Radio Act has not been omitted by the provisions of clause 3 of the same article".

In this case, please submit a copy of "Notification of the Omission of Radio Station Inspection" to the ClassNK Classification Department when you receive it later on.

(To be continued)

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2. Issuance of SR Certificate

It is expected that ClassNK will issue the SR Certificate for Japanese flag ships engaged in international voyages on behalf of the Maritime Authority from 1 January 2013.

The Certificate issued already by Maritime Authority will be still valid until the expiration date.

Therefore, in principle, after the completion of Periodical Surveys, the ClassNK Surveyor makes endorsement to the present SR Certificate, and after completion of the Renewal Survey, new SR Certificate of ClassNK format is issued.

However, when a description on the certificate is altered, or if the owner requests to rewrite the certificate, the new SR Certificate will be issued.

Handling of the SR Survey outside of Japan is the same as that of the above.

In order to perform the SR Survey and issue the certificate smoothly at the Survey outside of Japan, please send a copy of Survey application to ClassNK Survey Department for the meantime.

In case of ships not engaged on international navigation, SR Certificate is not required. Therefore the matter relevant to the above-mentioned SR certificate is excluded.

For any questions about the above, please contact:

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[Regarding "Notification of Inspection results of Ship Station and Ship Earth Station" and "Report of the Inspection Results of Ship Station and Ship Earth Station"]

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