

RULES FOR CLASSIFICATION

Yachts

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Part 5 Ship types

Chapter 1 Sailing yachts

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FOREWORD

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CURRENT – CHANGES

This document supersedes the December 2015 edition.

Changes in this document are highlighted in red colour. However, if the changes involve a whole chapter, section or sub-section, normally only the title will be in red colour.

Main changes October 2016, entering into force as from date of publication

- Re-structured content and alignment with changes made in Pt.3 Ch.3.

Editorial corrections

In addition to the above stated changes, editorial corrections may have been made.

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SECTION 1 GENERAL

1 Introduction

1.1 General

Sailing yachts are yachts that use sails as primary means of propulsion and are used for pleasure, having a length $L \geq 24$ m and carrying not more than 12 passengers.

1.2 Scope

The rules in this chapter give requirements specific to sailing yachts, and the requirements shall be regarded as supplementary to those given in rules for the assignment of main class in [Pt.2](#), [Pt.3](#) and [Pt.4](#).

1.3 Application

1.3.1 Sailing yachts built according to a recognized standard prescribed by the flag administration as amended, need not comply with the detailed requirements of the rule sections as listed in [Table 1](#). Information to this effect shall be included in the appendix to the class certificate.

Guidance note:

A recognized standard can be e.g. the Large Commercial Yacht Code (MCA), the Passenger Yacht Code (PYC), the Malta Commercial Yacht Code or the Marshall Islands Yacht Code.

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Table 1

Topic	Valid for	Rule reference
Load line – opening and closing appliances	All	Pt.3 Ch.9
Damage stability	All	Pt.3 Ch.10 Sec.3
Structural fire protection, including means of escape	Sailing yachts < 500 GT	Pt.4 Ch.11 Sec.2
	Sailing yachts \geq 500 GT	Pt.4 Ch.11 Sec.3
Fire protection measures and fire extinguishing	All	Pt.4 Ch.11 Sec.5

1.3.2 For sailing yachts where the flag administration undertakes approval and surveys of items listed in [Table 1](#), the Society may accept their decisions as basis for assigning class. Necessary documentation, such as copies of approved plans, reports and other particulars approved by the flag administration, shall be forwarded to the Society accordingly. Information to this effect shall be included in the appendix to the class certificate.

1.3.3 If explicitly requested by the yard or builder, the requirements of the rule sections listed in [Table 2](#) may be exempted by the Society on a case-by-case basis. Information to this effect shall be included in the appendix to the class certificate.

Table 2

<i>Topic</i>	<i>Valid for</i>	<i>Rule reference</i>
Load line – opening and closing appliances	All	Pt.3 Ch.9
Damage stability	All	Pt.3 Ch.10 Sec.3
Structural fire protection, including means of escape	Sailing yachts < 500 GT	Pt.4 Ch.11 Sec.2

2 Class notations

2.1 Ship type notation

Sailing yachts constructed and equipped, surveyed and tested in accordance with the rules of this chapter will be assigned the class notation **SAIL**.

2.2 Additional class notations

Sailing yachts having special equipment or systems found to satisfy relevant requirements in [Pt.6](#) may be given corresponding additional class notations, e.g. **E0**, **NAUT**, etc.

3 Procedural requirements

The scope of a survey shall be customised for the particular items of a sailing yacht, e.g. a fin keel, chain plates, etc. See [Pt.7 Ch.1 Sec.7](#).

SECTION 2 TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

1 Hull and equipment

1.1 Design loads

For sailing yachts the design loads according [Pt.3 Ch.3 Sec.2](#) shall be applied.

1.2 Scantlings

Sailing yacht scantlings shall comply with either [Pt.3 Ch.4](#), [Pt.3 Ch.5](#) or [Pt.3 Ch.6](#) of these rules, except for multihull sailing yachts constructed from metals, which shall comply with [HSLC Pt.3 Ch.2](#) or [HSLC Pt.3 Ch.3](#).



CHANGES – HISTORIC

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This is a new document.

The rules enter into force 1 July 2016.

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