Lloyd`s Classification Limited

Circular Information

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Subject
Requirements of MARPOL ANNEX V amended by MEPC.277(70)

To whom it may concern

At the seventy session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 70) held on October 2016, amendments to MARPOL V was adopted and amended MARPOL V adopted by MEPC.277(70) will enter into force on 1 March 2018. Please also refer to Class LC Circular Information.

And, also, implementation guideline of MARPOL V was amended by MEPC.295(71).

By the amendment, handling procedure, management method, and record keeping method regarding garbage from ships were changed. Therefore, vessels are required to implement the followings by 1 March 2018:

1. Solid bulk cargoes other than grain shall be classified in accordance with appendix I of MEPC.277(70), and declared by the shipper as to whether or not they are harmful to the marine environment.

2. Amended form (including amendment of garbage category for the purpose of recording) of Garbage Record Book has to be kept onboard and entries shall be made in the amended form. Please refer to appendix II of MEPC.277(70).

3. Garbage is to be handled taking into account amended garbage category.

Similar to before, no statutory certificate or mandatory inspection is regulated under the MARPOL V. So far, ClassNK has done many appraisal services related to MARPOL V under voluntary basis as requested by shipowners (refer to Class LC Circular Information). Now, we will continue this service according to the revised MARPOL V.

In case you require statement of fact according to the amended MARPOL V or examination of Garbage Management plan (including Garbage Management plan examined in accordance with existing MARPOL V), please contact the convenient Class LC Circular Information survey site with the following necessary documents.