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Inclusion of mediums of the fire-fighting systems in lightweight (MARPOL Annex I/Regulation 1.24)

Regulation

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“Lightweight means the displacement of a ship in tonnes without cargo, fuel, lubricating oil, ballast water, fresh water and feed water in tanks, consumable stores, and passengers and crew and their effects.”

Interpretation

The weight of mediums on board for the fixed fire-fighting systems (e.g. freshwater, CO₂, dry chemical powder, foam concentrate, etc.) shall be included in the lightweight and lightship condition.

Note:

1. This Unified Interpretation is to be uniformly implemented by IACS Societies on ships contracted for construction on or after 1 January 2017.
2. The “contracted for construction” date means the date on which the contract to build the vessel is signed between the prospective owner and the shipbuilder. For further details regarding the date of “contract for construction”, refer to IACS Procedural Requirement (PR) No. 29.

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