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Additional measures to ensure mandatory application of IACS Unified Interpretations

Considering the mandatory nature of adopted IACS Unified Interpretations, Classification Societies are to adopt measures requiring compliance with the IACS Unified Interpretations applicable to a vessel, its machinery and equipment, in accordance with the implementation dates and provisions stated in the UI, when acting as a recognized organization, authorized by a flag State Administration to act on its behalf, unless provided with written instruction to apply a different interpretation by the flag Administration.

These measures, which are to be available to clients, include, but are not limited to, inclusion of:

- 1) the Unified Interpretations in the Society's classification Rules, or
- an appropriate provision in the Society's contracts for statutory certification services, or
- a requirement in the Society's classification Rules mandating compliance with IACS Unified Interpretations.

Note: This PR does not require the application of IACS UIs to ships retroactively, except for those UIs which explicitly require retroactive application.

Notes:

- 1. This Procedural Requirement applies from 1 July 2009.
- 2. Revision 1 of this Procedural Requirement applies from 1 August 2014.

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