
S23 Implementation of IACS Unified Requirements S19 and S22 for Existing Single Side Skin Bulk Carriers

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S23.1 Application and Implementation Timetable*

- a. Unified Requirements S19 and S22 are to be applied in conjunction with the damage stability requirements set forth in S23.2. Compliance is required:
 - i. for ships which were 20 years of age or more on 1 July 1998, by the due date of the first intermediate, or the due date of the first special survey to be held after 1 July 1998, whichever comes first;
 - ii. for ships which were 15 years of age or more but less than 20 years of age on 1 July 1998, by the due date of the first special survey to be held after 1 July 1998, but not later than 1 July 2002;
 - iii. for ships which were 10 years of age or more but less than 15 years of age on 1 July 1998, by the due date of the first intermediate, or the due date of the first special survey to be held after the date on which the ship reaches 15 years of age but not later than the date on which the ship reaches 17 years of age;
 - iv. for ships which were 5 years of age or more but less than 10 years of age on 1 July 1998, by the due date, after 1 July 2003, of the first intermediate or the first special survey after the date on which the ship reaches 10 years of age, whichever occurs first;
 - v. for ships which were less than 5 years of age on 1 July 1998, by the date on which the ship reaches 10 years of age.
- b. Completion prior to 1 July 2003 of an intermediate or special survey with a due date after 1 July 2003 cannot be used to postpone compliance. However, completion prior to 1 July 2003 of an intermediate survey the window for which straddles 1 July 2003 can be accepted.

S23.2 Damage Stability

- a. Bulk carriers which are subject to compliance with Unified Requirements S19 and S22 shall, when loaded to the summer loadline, be able to withstand flooding of the foremost cargo hold in all loading conditions and remain afloat in a satisfactory condition of equilibrium, as specified in SOLAS regulation XII/4.3 to 4.7.
- b. A ship having been built with an insufficient number of transverse watertight bulkheads to satisfy this requirement may be exempted from the application of Unified Requirements S19, S22 and this requirement provided the ship fulfills the requirement in SOLAS regulation XII/9.

* See Annex for details.



- 1. Surveys to be held**

The term "survey to be held" is interpreted to mean that the survey is "being held" until it is "completed".
- 2. Due dates and completion allowance**
 - 2.1 intermediate survey :
 - 2.1.1 Intermediate survey carried out either at the second or third annual survey: 3 months after the due date (i.e. 2nd or 3rd anniversary) can be used to carry out and complete the survey;
 - 2.1.2 Intermediate survey carried out between the second and third annual survey: 3 months after the due date of the 3rd Annual Survey can be used to carry out and complete the survey;
 - 2.2 special survey : 3 months extension after the due date may be allowed subject to the terms/conditions of PR4;
 - 2.3 ships controlled by "1 July 2002": same as for special survey;
 - 2.4 ships controlled by "age 15 years" or "age 17 years": same as for special survey.
- 3. Intermediate Survey Interpretations/Applications**
 - 3.1 If the 2nd anniversary is prior to or on 1 July 1998 and the intermediate survey is completed prior to or on 1 July 1998, the ship need not comply until the next special survey.
 - 3.2 If the 2nd anniversary is prior to or on 1 July 1998 and the intermediate survey is completed within the window of the 2nd annual survey but after 1 July 1998, the ship need not comply until the next special survey.
 - 3.3 If the 2nd anniversary is prior to or on 1 July 1998 and the intermediate survey is completed outside the window of the 2nd annual survey and after 1 July 1998, it is taken that the intermediate survey is held after 1 July 1998 and between the second and third annual surveys. Therefore, the ship shall comply no later than 3 months after the 3rd anniversary.
 - 3.4 If the 2nd anniversary is after 1 July 1998 and the intermediate survey is completed within the window of the 2nd annual survey but prior to or on 1 July 1998, the ship need not comply until the next special survey
 - 3.5 If the 3rd anniversary is prior to or on 1 July 1998 and the intermediate survey is completed prior to or on 1 July 1998, the ship need not comply until the next special survey.
 - 3.6 If the 3rd anniversary is prior to or on 1 July 1998 and the intermediate survey is completed within the window of the 3rd annual survey but after 1 July 1998, the ship need not comply until the next special survey.
 - 3.7 If the 3rd anniversary is after 1 July 1998 and the intermediate survey is completed within the window prior to or on 1 July 1998, the ship need not comply until the next special survey.
- 4. Special Survey Interpretations/Applications**
 - 4.1 If the due date of a special survey is after 1 July 1998 and the special survey is completed within the 3 month window prior to the due date and prior to or on 1 July 1998, the ship need not comply until the next relevant survey (i.e. special survey for ships under 20 years of age on 1 July 1998, intermediate survey for ships 20 years of age or more on 1 July 1998).
- 5. Early Completion of an Intermediate Survey (coming due after 1 July 1998 to postpone compliance is not allowed):**
 - 5.1 Early completion of an intermediate survey means completion of the survey prior to the opening of the window (i.e. completion more than 3 months prior to the 2nd anniversary since the last special survey).
 - 5.2 The intermediate survey may be completed early and credited from the completion date but in such a case the ship will still be required to comply not later than 3 months after the 3rd anniversary.
- 6. Early Completion of a Special Survey (coming due after 1 July 1998 to postpone compliance is not allowed):**
 - 6.1 Early completion of a special survey means completion of the survey more than 3 months prior to the due date of the special survey.
 - 6.2 The special survey may be completed early and credited from the completion date, but in such a case the ship will still be required to comply by the due date of the special survey.

