

Engineering Circular No. 132

NO :SS/RSC/1316	Dated 15.02.2011
Sub :- Guide lines for carrying out Annual/Intermediate/Renewal surveys out side window period	
<p>It has been noticed that ship owners/managers and surveyors of recognized organization (R.O) are approaching the Directorate with various queries for carrying out over due statutory Annual/Intermediate/Periodical/Renewal surveys out side window period. In order to provide clarification on the above, the Directorate has made following guide lines for compliance.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Statutory annual surveys & periodical Radio survey: All statutory annual surveys and periodical radio surveys are required to be carried out within 3 months before or after each anniversary date of the certificate. In case surveys are commenced within the window period and completed satisfactorily outside the said window period, statutory certificates may be endorsed towards annual/periodical survey subject to the vessel having been laid-up from the date of expiry of the window period till the completion of survey. In case surveys are not commenced with in the window period, owners/managers of the vessel are required to approach the Directorate for necessary concurrence/instructions, giving valid justifications for such delay.2. Statutory intermediate surveys (SAFCON & MARPOL)/periodical surveys (SEQ), except radio survey: All intermediate/periodical surveys are required to be carried out within 3 months before or after the 2nd anniversary date or within 3 months before or after the 3rd anniversary date of the certificate. In case surveys are commenced with in the window period and completed satisfactorily outside the window period, statutory certificates may be endorsed towards Intermediate/periodical survey subject to vessel having been laid-up from the date of expiry of the window period till the completion of survey. In case surveys are not commenced with in the window period, owners/managers of the vessel are required to approach the Directorate for necessary concurrence/instructions, giving valid justifications for such delay.3. Renewal surveys: All statutory renewal surveys are required to be commenced prior to expiry of the certificates. If vessel certificates/extension is expires at sea and vessel is directly under way to the repair facility, no special permission is required from the Directorate to commence the special surveys. Other than any of the above, owners/managers of the vessel is required to approach Directorate for necessary concurrence/instructions, giving valid justifications for such delay.	

4. **Dry docking surveys:** A minimum of two inspections of the outside of the ship's bottom during the validity of vessel's safety construction certificate / safety certificate and intervals between any two such inspections shall not exceed 36 months. If vessel's dry docking survey due date/extension expires at sea and vessel is under way directly to the dry docking facility, no special permission is required from the Directorate to commence the dry docking survey. Other than any of the above, owners/ managers of the vessel is required to approach Directorate for necessary concurrence/ instructions, giving valid justifications for such delay.

This issue with the approval of the competent authority.

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