

RULES FOR

CONDITIONS OF CLASSIFICATION 2009

NOTICE NO. 1 – March 2009

The following Rule Change to Part 1 was approved by the ABS Classification Committee on 20 November 2008 with the implementation date; **EFFECTIVE AS OF 1 JANUARY 2009.**

(See <http://www.eagle.org/absdownloads/index.cfm> for the consolidated version of the 2009 Steel Vessel Rules, with all Notices and Corrigenda incorporated.)

Notes - The date in the parentheses means the date that the Rule becomes effective for new construction based on the contract date for construction, unless otherwise noted. (See 1-1-4/3.3.)

PART 1 RULES FOR CONDITIONS OF CLASSIFICATION

CHAPTER 1 SCOPE AND CONDITIONS OF CLASSIFICATION

SECTION 4 RULES FOR CLASSIFICATION

1 Application of Rules (1997)

(Revise first paragraph of 1-1-4/1.3, as follows :)

1.3 Application (1 January 2009)

The application of the Rules and Guides is, in general, based on the contract date for construction between the shipbuilder and the prospective Owner. (e.g., Rules which became effective on 1 July 2004 are not applicable to a vessel for which the contract for construction was signed on 30 June 2004.) See also 1-1-4/3. Special consideration may be given to the application of the Rules and to the implementation of Rule changes to military vessels or vessels owned by Governments for non-commercial purposes.

The requirements in these Rules are the common requirements for conditions of classification of vessels. Any unique requirements for a specific type of vessel are specified in the supplement to these Rules in each of the Rules and Guides as listed in 1-1-4/1.1. These Rules are to be used together with the applicable supplemental Rules for the specific type of unit or structure.