

SECTION 2 CLASSIFICATION

1 Principles of classification

1.1 Classification notations

1.1.1 Ships complying with the requirements of these Rules are to comply with the classification requirements indicated in Part A of the Rules for Steel Ships.

1.2 Class symbols

1.2.1 They are assigned class symbols and construction marks as indicated in Part A, Ch 1, Sec 2, [2] and Part A, Ch 1 Sec 2, [3] of the Rules for Steel Ships.

1.3 Additional class notations

1.3.1 Ships complying with the requirements of these Rules may be assigned additional class notations as indicated in Pt A, Ch 1, Sec 2, [6] of the Rules for Steel Ships.

1.4 Navigation notations

1.4.1 Every classed yacht is to be assigned one navigation notation as listed:

- The navigation notation **unrestricted navigation** is assigned to a yacht intended to operate in any area and any period of the year.
- The navigation notation **unrestricted navigation limited to 60 nautical miles** is assigned to a yacht under 300 GT intended to operate only within 60 nautical miles from the shore.

The designation of the sea condition and the indication of any exemptions are defined in the Annex to the certificate of classification.

- The navigation notation **coastal area** is assigned to a yacht intended to operate only within 20 nautical miles from the shore and with a maximum sailing time of six hours from a port of refuge or safe sheltered anchorage.
- The navigation notation **sheltered area** is assigned to a yacht intended to operate in sheltered waters, i.e. harbours, setuaries, roadsteads, bay, lagoons and generally calm stretches of water and when the wind force does not exceed 6 Beaufort scale.

1.4.2 The assignment of a navigation notation, including the reduction of scantlings or specific arrangements for restricted navigation notation, is subject to compliance with the requirements laid down in Part B and Part C.

1.4.3 The assignment of a navigation notation does not absolve the Interested Party from compliance with any International or National regulations established by the Administrations for a ship operating in national waters, or a specific area, or a navigation zone.

1.5 Service notations

1.5.1 Ships complying with the requirements of these Rules are assigned one of the service notations **yacht** or **charter yacht**, which is always to be completed by one of the additional service features **motor** or **sailing** as indicated in Part A, Ch 1, Sec 2 of the Rules for Steel Ships:

- **charter yacht-motor** for ships intended for pleasure cruising, engaged in commercial sailing and propelled by a propulsion engine
- **charter yacht-sailing** for ships intended for pleasure cruising, engaged in commercial sailing and fitted with a sail propulsion, including those assisted by auxiliary engine propulsion
- **yacht-motor** for ships intended for pleasure cruising, other than charter yachts and propelled by a propulsion engine
- **yacht-sailing** for ships intended for pleasure cruising, other than charter yachts and fitted with a sail propulsion, including those assisted by auxiliary engine propulsion.

In addition, the service notations **yacht** or **charter yacht** are always completed by one of the following additional service features, as applicable:

- **C** when the hull is made of composite material
- **S** when the hull is made of steel material
- **A** when the hull is made of aluminium material
- **W** when the hull is made of wood material.

Example:

yacht-motor-S