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ISO 17020 – Proposal for amendment of 1.15.3.8

Transmitted by the Recommended ADN Classification Societies*,**

Introduction

1. In view to clarify the ADN requirement 1.15.3.8, the Recommended AND Classification Societies propose an amendment to the current text which reads as follows:

"1.15.3.8

The classification society shall have prepared and implemented and shall maintain an effective system of internal quality based on the relevant aspects of internationally recognized quality standards and conforming to the standards EN ISO/IEC 17020:2012 (except clause 8.1.3) (inspection bodies) and ISO 9001 or EN ISO 9001:2015.

The classification society is subject to certification of its quality system by an independent body of auditors recognized by the administration of the State in which it is located."

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Proposal

2. The actual text could be replaced by:

"1.15.3.8

The classification society shall develop, implement and maintain an effective internal quality management system based on the relevant aspects of current version of internationally recognized quality standards:

- EN ISO/IEC 17020, except clause 8.1.3 (Management System Requirements, Option B), and
- EN ISO 9001:2015.

The classification society shall continuously maintain certification of its quality management system in conformance with ISO 9001, by a Certification Body accredited to comply with ISO/IEC 17021 standard who is signatory to the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) Multinational Recognition Arrangement (MLA). Alternatively, such quality assessment and certification entity shall be recognized by the administration of the State in which it is located."