

GUIDE FOR

VESSEL MANEUVERABILITY MARCH 2006

NOTICE NO. 1 – February 2017

The following changes were approved by the ABS Rules Committee on 14 February 2017 and become **EFFECTIVE AS OF 15 FEBRUARY 2017**.

(See <http://www.eagle.org> for the consolidated version of the Guide for Vessel Maneuverability, 2006, 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. (See 1-1-4/3.3 of the ABS Rules for Conditions of Classification (Part 1).)

SECTION 1 INTRODUCTION

(Add new Subsection 1/5, as follows.)

5 Waiver of Full Scale Tests for Sister Vessels (15 February 2017)

For vessels seeking **MAN** notation, full scale maneuvering tests required for the notation may be waived for sister vessels in the same series. For this the vessel for which tests were carried out and sister vessels should have identical:

- Hull form
- Design draft and speed
- Steering/propulsion systems (rudder, propeller, steering gear)
- Main engine (make, model, power output)
- Energy saving devices and other appendages that may influence the inflow to propeller and rudder, if applied

Tests may be waived for sister vessels under the conditions given above and if the attained overall rating for the tested vessel is 3.0 or higher. However, an initial turning test is required even for the sister vessel seeking **MAN** or **MAN-A** notation.

Flag Administration requirements are to be checked concerning maneuvering tests for vessels in a series.