



GOAL-BASED NEW SHIP CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

Status report addressing GBS audit observations common to IACS members

Submitted by IACS

SUMMARY

Executive summary: This document provides the updated status of the work which is undertaken to address the IACS "common" observations as of 28 February 2026.

Strategic direction, if applicable: 7

Output: 7.24

Action to be taken: Paragraph 4

Related documents: MSC 110/21, MSC 110/INF.7; MSC 109/22, MSC 109/INF.6; MSC 107/20, MSC 107/INF.10; MSC 106/19, MSC 106/INF.8; MSC 105/20, MSC 105/INF.6, MSC 105/INF.9; MSC 104/18, MSC 104/INF.8; MSC 103/21, MSC 103/INF.9; MSC 102/24, MSC 102/INF.20; MSC 101/24, MSC 101/INF.13; MSC 100/20, MSC 100/6/5, MSC 100/6/10; MSC 99/22, MSC 99/INF.19; MSC 98/23, MSC 98/INF.7, MSC 98/INF.12, MSC 98/INF.14; MSC 96/5, MSC 96/5/1, MSC 96/5/1/Add.1 and MSC 96/5/9

Background

1 As requested by the Committee, IACS provides the status report addressing audit observations to the Committee annually.

Updated reports on the status as of 28 February 2026

2 IACS has prepared updated reports on the status of the work to address the "common" observations of both the initial verification and the first maintenance verification. These updated reports are provided in the annex of this document and are relevant to the work in progress. The status is the same as document MSC 110/INF.7.

3 The reports related to those observations for which the work has been completed, are not included in this document and can be found in documents MSC 98/INF.12, MSC 99/INF.19, MSC 101/INF.13, MSC 102/INF.20, MSC 103/INF.9, MSC 105/INF.9, MSC 106/INF.8, MSC 107/INF.10, MSC 109/INF.6 and MSC 110/INF.7.

Action requested of the Committee

- 4 The Committee is invited to note the information provided.

ANNEX

STATUS REPORT ON ADDRESSING OBSERVATION

<p>Submitted to: IMO Secretariat Date: 28 February 2026</p>	<p>Observation No.: IACS/2015/FR1-8/OB/04</p>
<p>Corrective Action Plan: Annex 4 of MSC 96/5/1/Add.1</p>	<p>Audit Report: Annex 13, page 11 of MSC 96/5</p>
<p>Observation (extracted from the audit report– part only)</p> <p>No benchmarking of reference values (values obtained by direct analysis) with experimental or service data has been found, as requested by the GBS audit standard 2.2.4.</p> <p>IACS replied 6 November 2014 that: "current CSR-OT and CSR-BC have been developed based on experiences from successful operation of ships and have been modified based on feedback from operational experience. This indicates current CSR-OT and CSR-BC already comprise service history data." However, the successful operation and operational experience referred to have not been reported as evidence of benchmarking to the audit.</p> <p>[paragraphs omitted]</p> <p>However, upon a direct question at the last meeting with IACS on 7 May 2015, IACS could not provide evidence that procedures for a systematic collection of data to benchmark CSR-H is in place.</p> <p>Detailed Action Plan</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Development of a procedure for the collection of experimental and service history data to benchmark CSR requirements. 2. Validation and benchmarking of a method for determining the life-time ship motions and loads based on available experimental and service history data. <p>Deliverables</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) IACS common procedure for the systematic collection of data to benchmark CSR requirements. <p>A dedicated project team (PT) is working on the development of benchmarking of reference load values obtained by direct analysis with experimental or service experience data, and updating the wave load part of IACS CSR rules with Technical Background.</p> <p>Timescales</p> <p>The next status report will be submitted to the IMO at the appropriate juncture.</p>	

STATUS REPORT ON ADDRESSING OBSERVATION

Submitted to: IMO Secretariat Date: 28 February 2026	Observation No.: IACS/2018/Maint/ OB/2
Improvement Action Plan: Annex 2 of MSC 100/6/10	Audit Report: Annex, page 12 of MSC 100/6/5
Improvement Action to address IACS/2018/Maint/OB/2 As shown on page 12 of the annex to MSC 100/6/5, IACS will develop the Technical Background document to justify that the acceptable limits of yielding have been considered in revising the requirement about the net connection area of the connecting bracket (Pt 2, Ch 1, Sec 3, [1.4.2]). Deliverables 1) New Technical Background document. IACS work to address this observation is in progress. Timescales The next status report will be submitted to the IMO at the appropriate juncture.	
