§ 153.1104 Draining of cargo hose: Categories A, B, C, and D.

(1) Unloaded to any consignee;
(2) Returned to the shipper;
(3) Discharged to a reception facility;
(4) Retained on the ship; or
(5) Discharged to the sea under §153.1126 or §153.1128.

(b) Except those Category A NLS residues that must be discharged under paragraph (c) of this section, NLS residue from an NLS whose vapor pressure is greater than 5 kPa (50 mbar) at 20 °C must be—
(1) Handled in the same way as the NLS residue under paragraph (a) of this section; or
(2) Ventilated following a ventilation procedure in the approved Procedures and Arrangements Manual.

NOTE: The Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq) allows states to regulate emissions from tank ventilation. There may be other regulations, both local and Federal, that affect the use of tank ventilation for safety or environmental purposes.

(c) NLS residue containing Category A NLS in pumproom bilges and in spill trays at the manifold must be discharged to a reception facility.


§ 153.1106 Cleaning agents.

No tank cleaning agent other than water or steam may be used to clean an NLS residue from a cargo tank except as prescribed in the approved Procedures and Arrangements Manual.

§ 153.1108 Heated prewash for solidifying NLS, high viscosity NLS and required prewashes of NLS whose viscosity exceeds 25 mPa sec at 20 °C: Categories A, B, and C.

(a) When a high viscosity or solidifying cargo is unloaded from a cargo tank the cargo tank must be prewashed unless §153.1114 or paragraph (c) of this section allows the prewash to be omitted.

(b) When a prewash is required for a tank that has unloaded a solidifying cargo or a cargo having a viscosity exceeding 25 mPa sec at 20 °C, the wash water used in the prewash must leave the tank washing machine at a temperature of at least 60 °C (140 °F).

(c) The prewash required under paragraph (a) of this section may be omitted if the approved Procedures and Arrangements Manual contains a procedure for measuring the temperature of all interior cargo tank surfaces throughout unloading and under the measuring procedure the temperature of these surfaces remains above—
(1) The temperature of the cargo’s melting point if the cargo is a Category B or C solidifying NLS; or
(2) The temperature at which the cargo’s viscosity exceeds—
(i) 25 mPa.s, if the cargo is a high viscosity Category B NLS; or
(ii) 60 mPa.s, if the cargo is a high viscosity Category C NLS.


§ 153.1112 Prewash for tanks containing Category A NLS residue.

Unless §153.1114 allows the prewash to be omitted, a cargo tank that unloads a Category A NLS cargo must be prewashed following the procedures in §153.1120.

§ 153.1114 Conditions under which a prewash may be omitted: Categories A, B, and C.

A prewash required by this part may be omitted if one of the following requirements is met:

(a) A Surveyor has signed a statement in the Cargo Record Book that the next cargo has been determined to be one that may be loaded without washing the tank, and the tank is not washed or ballasted before it is loaded with the next cargo.
(b) A Surveyor has signed a statement in the Cargo Record Book that the approved Procedures and Arrangements Manual contains procedures for removing the NLS residue by ventilation, and the cargo tank is not washed or ballasted before being cleaned following the ventilation procedure.