§ 153.488 Design and equipment for tanks carrying high melting point NLSs: Category B.

Unless waived under § 153.491, for a ship to have its Certificate of Inspection or Certificate of Compliance endorsed allowing a tank to carry a Category B NLS with a melting point of 15 °C or more, the cargo tank must have—

(a) An arrangement enabling the cargo to be heated before cargo transfer, using heat supplied by the ship or by another source; and

(b) Sides and bottom separate from the ship’s side or bottom shell plating.

§ 153.490 Cargo Record Book and Approved Procedures and Arrangements Manual: Categories A, B, C, and D.

(a) Unless waived under § 153.491, to have a Certificate of Inspection or Certificate of Compliance endorsed to carry NLS cargo, a ship must have—

(1) If U.S., a Cargo Record Book published by the Coast Guard (OMB App. No. 1625–0094), or, if foreign, a Cargo Record Book having the same entries and format as Appendix 4 of Annex II; and

(2) A Procedures and Arrangements Manual meeting paragraph (b) of this section and approved by—

(i) The Coast Guard, if the ship is a United States ship or one whose Administration is not signatory to MARPOL 73/78; or

(ii) The Administration, if the ship is one whose Administration is signatory to MARPOL 73/78.

(b) Each Procedures and Arrangements Manual under paragraph (a)(2) of this section must include the following:

(1) The standard format and content prescribed in Chapter 2 and Appendix D of the IMO Standards for Procedures and Arrangements for the Discharge of Noxious Liquid Substances, Resolution MEPC 18(22), 1985, or, for ships for which the only NLS carried is a Category D NLS and ships having a waiver under §153.483 or §153.491, the format and content prescribed by the Commandant (CG–ENG).

(2) If the ship has a tank that carries a cargo under a waiver issued under §153.483, procedures ensuring that—

(i) Category B and C NLSs are discharged from the tank only in the ports or terminals listed in accordance with §153.483(b); and

(ii) The tank is prewashed after discharging each Category B or C NLS unless §153.1114 allows the prewash to be omitted.

(3) If ventilation is used to clean a tank under §153.1102(b)(2), ventilation procedures that meet those in Appendix C of the IMO Standards for Procedures and Arrangements for the Discharge of Noxious Liquid Substances, Resolution MEPC 18(22), 1985.

(4) If tank cleaning agents are used, quantities to use and instructions for using the cleaning agents.

(5) If the tank has the discharge recording equipment required in §153.481(b), procedures to ensure that no NLS residue is discharged from the tank when the recording equipment is incapacitated unless the concentration and total quantity limits for the NLS in Annex II are not exceeded.


§ 153.491 Waiver of certain equipment for dedicated cargo tanks.

(a) The Coast Guard waives §§153.440(a)(3), 153.480, 153.482, and 153.488 and endorses a ship’s Certificate of Inspection or Certificate of Compliance allowing a cargo tank to carry a single, specific NLS cargo and no other cargo if the ship’s owner—

(1) Requests a waiver following the procedures in §153.10; and

(2) Pledges in writing that while any waiver is in effect the cargo tank will—

(i) Carry only the NLS cargo listed on the Certificate of Inspection or Certificate of Compliance;

(ii) Carry no cargo other than the NLS; and

(iii) Not be washed or ballasted unless the wash water or ballast water is discharged to a reception facility.

(b) The Coast Guard waives §§153.470 and 153.490(a)(2) if—

(1) The ship’s owner requests a waiver following the procedures in §153.10; and

(2) The Coast Guard has issued a waiver to each of the ship’s NLS cargo