

Regulation on double-hull tankers

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// abstract:

The goal of this regulation is to accelerate the phasing in of double-hull or equivalent design requirements for single-hull oil tankers (set in [MARPOL 73/78](#) (p.38)). It additionally prohibits the transport to or from ports in the Member States of heavy grade oil in single-hull tankers. This regulation applies to oil tankers of 5,000 tons deadweight and above. The requirement for ships (double-hull or equivalent design requirements for single-hull oil tankers) apply to boats that fly the flag of a Member State, or call at ports or offshore terminals covered by the jurisdiction of a Member State. Single-hull oil tankers of more than 15 years of age should meet the standards of the Condition Assessment Scheme (CAS). Exemptions can be provided, if the ship is in trouble or has to be repaired.