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Foreword

In addition to the *ABS Rules for Building and Classing Steel Vessels (Steel Vessel Rules)* required criteria, this Guide outlines equipment and arrangement requirements that are identified in the *International Safety Guide for Oil Tankers and Terminals (ISGOTT)* for Oil Carriers. This Guide includes enhanced criteria for the cargo oils and associated systems such as the ballast system, gas testing equipment, cargo vapor emission control systems, tank cleaning and gas-freeing systems. However, it does not include or attempt to address operational requirements for Oil Carriers as well as the requirements for terminals identified in the *International Safety Guide for Oil Tankers and Terminals (ISGOTT)* for Oil Carriers.

This Guide also introduces an optional notation, **ABS-ISGOTT** that will be granted to those Oil Carriers that meet the requirements identified in this Guide. This Guide is intended to encourage owners to pursue increased levels of safety by providing means to recognize such efforts via an optional notation.

It should also be noted that the Guide does not relate to cargoes other than crude oil and petroleum products that are carried in Oil Carriers. Therefore, it does not cover the carriage of chemicals or liquefied gases, which are the subject of other industry guides.

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