

# OTHER RULES AND GUIDANCE

## (Guidance for Freight Containers)

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Machinery Rule Development Team

## - Main Amendments -

(1) Enter into force on 1 August 2025(the date of application for certification of products )

● To reflect Request for Establishment/Revision of Classification Technical Rules

Present	Amendment
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHAPTER 1 GENERAL</b> &lt;Omitted&gt;</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHAPTER 2 CONSTRUCTION AND CERTIFICATION OF FREIGHT CONTAINERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Section 1</b> &lt;Omitted&gt; <b>Section 2 Approval of Manufacturing Process</b></p> <p>201. ~ 207. &lt;Omitted&gt; 208. &lt;New&gt;</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHAPTER 1 GENERAL</b> &lt;Same as the present Guidance&gt;</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHAPTER 2 CONSTRUCTION AND CERTIFICATION OF FREIGHT CONTAINERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Section 1</b> &lt;Same as the present Guidance&gt; <b>Section 2 Approval of Manufacturing Process</b></p> <p>201. ~ 207. &lt;Same as the present Guidance&gt; <b>208. Validity and renewal of approval certificate</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>The approval certificate for manufacturing process will be valid within five years from the date of issue. In case where the approval certificate is renewed in accordance with the requirements specified in the preceding 207., the expiration date will not be changed.</u></li> <li>2. <u>The manufacturer who intends to have a continuation of the approval is to submit an application to the Society three months before the due date together with following data.</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) <u>Data related to the corrective action for approved product, if any</u></li> <li>(2) <u>Alteration to the approved manufacturing process or specification, if any</u></li> <li>(3) <u>Service records of approved products or similar products which are approved by this Society (minimum 6 months and over)</u></li> </ol> </li> <li>3. <u>The Society is to carry out a plant audit in accordance with the requirements specified in 204. and may request an approval test where deemed necessary after the examination of application and documents thereof.</u></li> <li>4. <u>Manufacturers who have not produced the approved grades and products during the period between renewals may be required to either carry out approval tests or, on the basis of results of production of similar grades of products, at the discretion of the Society, be preapproved.</u></li> </ol>

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<p><b>208. Withdrawal of approval</b></p> <p>The Society may withdraw the approval of manufacturing process in case any of the following (1) through (4) is relevant.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) When test records differ from the time of approval and do not satisfy the approval conditions.</li> <li>(2) When a request for withdrawal is made by the manufacturer.</li> <li>(3) When the container is manufactured without approval of the changes in the manufacturing process according to the requirements specified in <b>206</b>.</li> <li>(4) When considered inappropriate by the Society.</li> <li><del>(5) Where containers have not been produced continuously for more than two years without any special reason (2022)</del></li> </ol> <p><b>209. &lt;Omitted&gt;</b></p> <p><b>&lt;hereafter, omitted&gt;</b></p>	<p><b>5.</b> <u>Where for operational reasons, the renewal plant audit falls outside the period of approval, the manufacturer will still be considered as approved if agreement to this audit date is made within the period of three months after expiry of the validity. In this instance, if successful, the extension of approval will be back dated to the original renewal date.</u></p> <p><b>209. Withdrawal of approval</b></p> <p>The Society may withdraw the approval of manufacturing process in case any of the following (1) through (4) is relevant.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) When test records differ from the time of approval and do not satisfy the approval conditions.</li> <li>(2) When a request for withdrawal is made by the manufacturer.</li> <li>(3) When the container is manufactured without approval of the changes in the manufacturing process according to the requirements specified in <b>206</b>.</li> <li>(4) When considered inappropriate by the Society.</li> <li>(5) <u>&lt;Deleted&gt;</u></li> </ol> <p><b>210. &lt;Same as the present Guidance&gt;</b></p> <p><b>&lt;hereafter, Same as the present Guidance&gt;</b></p>