

RULES FOR CLASSIFICATION

General

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General regulations

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FOREWORD

DNV GL rules for classification contain procedural and technical requirements related to obtaining and retaining a class certificate. The rules represent all requirements adopted by the Society as basis for classification.

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CHANGES – CURRENT

This is a new document.

The rules enter into force 1 March 2021.

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SECTION 1 GENERAL

1 General

1.1 Introduction

As of March 1st, 2021, DNV GL rebranded to DNV. In practical terms, this means a change in the trade name and minor adjustments of the brand and visual identity.

The implementation of the name change is in a legal context a formality. The identity of the company and its subsidiaries and affiliates remains the same, including official registration number, registered address and representatives and shareholders, and thus the name change does not have any impact on rights and/or obligations. Furthermore, DNV AS constitutes the identical legal organization as DNV GL AS did and no change in substance takes place due to the mentioned rebranding.

As a consequence of the company rebranding, the Society's rules, standards, guidelines, other related service documents and compliance documents are or will be rebranded, reviewed and amended to the extent necessary to reflect the change of the company name and the updated visual profile. This is carried out during 2021.

The rebranding and amendments solely being a result of the company name change, will not render any relevant service or compliance documents non-valid for previous, ongoing or future projects/vessels/units.

1.2 Objective

The objective of these rules is to formalise and provide clarity around the validity of both the service documents published and the compliance documents issued by the Society under the brand names DNV GL and DNV.

1.3 Application

These rules complement all rules and supporting documents under the ownership of the Society.

1.4 Entry into force

These rules enter into force on March 1st, 2021.

1.5 Definitions

The terms defined in [Table 1](#) are used in this document.

Table 1 Definition of terms

<i>Term</i>	<i>Definition</i>
compliance document	document confirming compliance with at least one standard, is identifying the target and is validated and signed by the issuing organisation E.g. certificates and maker's declarations
contract for construction	contract between the prospective owner and the builder to build a vessel/unit
Society	DNV AS and its affiliates carrying out classification and statutory certification

SECTION 2 CLASSIFICATION PRINCIPLES

1 Rules

The Society will operate with rules published under the brand names DNV GL and DNV. The rules valid for a specific project and/or vessel/unit, is decided by the date of 'contract for construction'.

Only rules in force on or after March 1st, 2021, are rebranded to DNV, thus ongoing projects and/or vessels/units in operation may refer to rules under the brand name DNV GL.

In a transition period, rules published under the brand name DNV will include references to rules and supporting documents published under the brand name DNV GL.

2 Compliance documents

2.1 General

For a general overview of compliance documents, see [DNVGL-CG-0550](#).

2.2 Class certificates

Vessels/units in operation may operate with class certificates issued under the brand name DNV GL until next main class periodical survey or until June 1st, 2022, whichever comes first.

2.3 Product and material certificates

New building projects contracted before December 31st, 2021, will refer to DNV GL rules. Product and material certificates for these projects may be issued under the brand name DNV GL and/or DNV.

2.4 Material grades

Material grades under the brand name DNV GL are designated 'VL'.

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Material grades designated and marked 'VL' or 'NV' are both accepted by the Society when otherwise meeting the rule requirements.

2.5 Other certificates

Other certificates issued before March 1st, 2021, are issued under the brand name DNV GL. These keep their initial validity date and will be issued under the DNV brand if and when being renewed.

2.6 Other compliance documents

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CHANGES – HISTORIC

There are currently no historical changes for this document.

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