

Steamers "SEROOSKERK" and "ZUIDERKERK"

Class : 100A1 "Shelter deck with freeboard".
Dimensions : 450 x 60 x 39.5 feet.

Sketches have been received from the Rotterdam Surveyors showing alternative proposals to lengthen these ships by either 19'3" or 21 feet. In a further letter they state that the Owners have decided to lengthen the vessels by about 5 metres (16'5"), and that the speed is to be increased by one knot. The Surveyors desire to know whether the present scantlings could be considered suitable for the proposed increased length, and whether the existing rudders could be retained.

It is presumed that the present proposal is similar in character to those previously approved in the cases of vessels owned by the same Owners, and it is submitted the Surveyors be informed that, on this basis, as the form of the new bow is such that with the length increased by 5 metres there will be no sensible increase in the displacement of the vessel, and having regard to the fact that these are existing ships, it is considered that the minimum freeboard corresponding to a vessel having a tonnage opening could be assigned without addition to the scantlings. For the same reason no alteration need be made to the equipment.

The plan of the existing rudders has been examined, and it is found that they are suitable for the increased speed.

(This case is similar to the "RODNEYSTAR", "GAASTERKERK", "NIEUWKERK" and other cases.)

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