

## § 154.471

(1) prevents movement of the cargo tank under the static and dynamic loads in § 154.406; and

(2) allows the cargo tank to contract and expand from temperature variation and hull deflection without exceeding the design stress of the cargo tank and the hull.

(b) The cargo tank support system must have a key that prevents rotation of the cargo tank.

(c) An independent tank must have supports with an antiflotation system that withstands the upward force of the tank without causing plastic deformation that endangers the hull structure when the tank is:

(1) Empty; and

(2) In a hold space flooded to the summer load draft of the vessel.

### § 154.471 Design criteria.

(a) The cargo tank support system must be designed:

(1) For the loads in § 154.406(a);

(2) To not exceed the allowable stress under this part at a static angle of heel of 30°;

(3) To withstand a collision force equal to at least one-half the weight of the cargo tank and cargo from forward and one-quarter the weight of the cargo tank and cargo from aft; and

(4) For the largest resulting acceleration in Figure 1, including rotational and translation effects.

(b) The cargo tank support design loads in paragraph (a) of this section may be analyzed separately.

### § 154.476 Cargo transfer devices and means.

(a) If a cargo pump in a cargo tank is not accessible for repair when the cargo tank is in use, the cargo tank must have an additional means of cargo transfer, such as another pump or gas pressurization.

(b) If cargo is transferred by gas pressurization, the pressurizing line must have a safety relief valve that is set at less than 90 percent of the tank relief valve setting.

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### CARGO AND PROCESS PIPING SYSTEMS

#### § 154.500 Cargo and process piping standards.

The cargo liquid and vapor piping and process piping systems must meet the requirements in §§ 154.503 through 154.562, Subparts 56.01 through 56.35, §§ 56.50–20 and 56.50–105, and Subparts 56.60 through 56.97 of this chapter.

#### § 154.503 Piping and piping system components: Protection from movement.

Where thermal movement and movements of the cargo tank and the hull structure may cause stresses that exceed the design stresses, the piping and piping system components and cargo tanks must be protected from movement by:

(a) Offsets;

(b) Loops;

(c) Bends;

(d) Mechanical expansion joints including:

(1) Bellows;

(2) Slip joints;

(3) Ball joints; or

(e) Other means specially approved by the Commandant (G-MSO).

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#### § 154.506 Mechanical expansion joint: Limits in a piping system.

Mechanical expansion joints in a piping system outside of a cargo tank:

(a) May be installed only if offsets, loops or bends cannot be installed due to limited space or piping arrangement;

(b) Must be a bellows type; and

(c) Must not have insulation or a cover unless necessary to prevent damage.

#### § 154.512 Piping: Thermal isolation.

Low temperature piping must be thermally isolated from any adjacent hull structure to prevent the temperature of that structure from dropping below the minimum temperature for the hull material under § 154.170.

#### § 154.514 Piping: Electrical bonding.

(a) Cargo tanks or piping that are separated from the hull structure by