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The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- removed definitions of drift off and drive off in [Clause 3](#) and consolidated under loss of position;
- Table 1 in [Clause 5](#) removed and reference made to ISO 19900;
- FLS removed from [8.1.2](#) and [8.1.3](#);
- air gap requirements modified in [8.2](#);
- ISO 35104 referenced in [10.4](#);
- editorial revision.

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Introduction

The International Standards on offshore structures prepared by TC 67 (i.e. ISO 19900, the ISO 19901 series, ISO 19902, ISO 19903, ISO 19904-1, the ISO 19905 series, ISO 19906) constitute a common basis addressing design requirements and assessments of all types of offshore structures used by the petroleum and natural gas industries worldwide.

NOTE These are sometimes referred to as the ISO 19900 series on offshore structures.

Through their application, the intention is to achieve adequate structural integrity and performance based on reliability levels appropriate for manned and unmanned offshore structures, whatever the nature or combination of the materials used.

Structural integrity is an overall concept comprising: models for describing actions; structural analyses; design or assessment rules; safety elements; workmanship; quality management; and national requirements, all of which are mutually dependent. The modification of any of these elements in isolation can cause an imbalance or inconsistency, with possible impact on the reliability inherent in the offshore structure. The implications involved in modifying one element, therefore, are considered in relation to all the elements and the overall reliability of the offshore structure.

The International Standards on offshore structures prepared by TC 67 are intended to provide latitude in the choice of structural configurations, materials and techniques and to allow for innovative solutions. Sound engineering judgement is, therefore, necessary in the use of these documents.

This document states the general principles and basic requirements for the site-specific assessment of mobile floating units. The technical information used in the assessment primarily resides in documents referenced herein. This document is intended to be used for assessment and not for design.

Site-specific assessment is normally carried out when an existing mobile floating unit is to be installed at a specific site. The assessment is not intended to provide a full evaluation of the unit; it is assumed that aspects not addressed herein have been addressed at the design stage using other practices and standards.

The purpose of the site-specific assessment is to demonstrate the adequacy of the mobile floating unit, its stationkeeping system and any connected systems for the applicable assessment situations and defined limit states, taking into account the consequences of failure. The results of a site-specific assessment should be appropriately recorded and communicated to those persons required to know or act on the conclusions and recommendations. Alternative approaches to the site-specific assessment can be used provided that they have been shown to give a level of reliability equivalent, or superior, to that implicit in this document.

In this document, the following verbal forms are used:

- “shall” indicates a requirement;
- “should” indicates a recommendation;
- “can” indicates a possibility or a capability;
- “may” indicates a permission.

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1 Scope

This document specifies requirements and recommendations for the site-specific assessment of mobile floating units for use in the petroleum and natural gas industries. It addresses the installed phase, at a specific site, of manned non-evacuated, manned evacuated and unmanned mobile floating units.

This document addresses mobile floating units that are monohull (e.g. ship-shaped vessels or barges); column-stabilized, commonly referred to as semi-submersibles; or other hull forms (e.g. cylindrical/conical shaped). It is not applicable to tension leg platforms. Stationkeeping can be provided by a mooring system, a thruster assisted mooring system, or dynamic positioning. The function of the unit can be broad, including drilling, floatel, tender assist, etc. In situations where hydrocarbons are being produced, there can be additional requirements.

This document does not address all site considerations, and certain specific locations can require additional assessment.

This document is applicable only to mobile floating units that are structurally sound and adequately maintained, which is normally demonstrated through holding a valid RCS classification certificate.

This document does not address design, transportation to and from site, or installation and removal from site.

This document sets out the requirements for site-specific assessments, but generally relies on other documents to supply the details of how the assessments are to be undertaken. In general:

- ISO 19901-7 is referenced for the assessment of the stationkeeping system;
- ISO 19904-1 is referenced to determine the effects of the metocean actions on the unit;
- ISO 19906 is referenced for arctic and cold regions;
- the hull structure and air gap are assessed by use of a comparison between the site-specific metocean conditions and its design conditions, as set out in the RCS approved operations manual;
- ISO 13624-1 and ISO/TR 13624-2^[1] are referenced for the assessment of the marine drilling riser of mobile floating drilling units. Equivalent alternative methodologies can be used;
- IMCA M 220 is referenced for developing an activity specific operating guidelines. Agreed alternative methodologies can be used.

NOTE RCS rules and the IMO MODU code^[13] provide guidance for design and general operation of mobile floating units.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.