

## DRAFT (DRAUGHT) SURVEY

### Study material

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### 1. THEORY OF THE DRAFT (DRAUGHT) SURVEY

The essence of the draft survey is the determination of the weight of the cargo according to the drafts of the ship. At first, it is necessary to determine *the Constant (Const.)* When the ship is empty, the weight of cargo  $P_{cargo} = 0$ . Displacement  $D_o$  can be calculated using (1) Formula:

$$D_o = 0 + (P_{hfo} + P_{mdo} + P_{lo}) + (P_{bw} + P_{fw}) + Lightship + Const. \quad (1)$$
$$Const. = D_o - (P_{hfo} + P_{mdo} + P_{lo}) - (P_{bw} + P_{fw}) - Lightship$$

Cargo weight determination. When the ship is loaded, the displacement  $D_c$  can be calculated using (2) Formula:

$$D_c = P_{cargo} + (P_{hfo} + P_{mdo} + P_{lo}) + (P_{bw} + P_{fw}) + Lightship + Const. \quad (2)$$
$$P_{cargo} = D_c - (P_{hfo} + P_{mdo} + P_{lo}) - (P_{bw} + P_{fw}) - Lightship - Const.$$


UNECE - Draught Survey Code. *UN ECE - United Nations Economic Commission for Europe*. Code of Uniform Standards and Procedures for the Performance of DRAUGHT SURVEYS of Coal Cargoes



MEAN DRAFT U/S KEEL	DISPLACEMENT	TONS PER CM TPC	MOMENT FOR TRIM 1 CM MTC	VERTICAL CENTRE OF BUOYANCY ABOVE BASE VCB , KB	TRANSV. METACENTRIC RADIUS TBM	CENTRE OF BUOYANCY FROM MID. MID-B * LCB	CENTRE OF FLOATATION FROM MID. MID-F * LCF
Vidutinė grimzlė	Vandentalpa	Tonų kiekis vienam grimzlės centimetrui	Momentas, keičiantis diferentą vienu centimetru	Dydžio centro aplikatė virš pagindinės plikštumos	Skersinis metacentrinis rdsiusas	Dydžio centro absceise nuo vidurinio španto	Vaterlinijos ploto centro absceise nuo vidurinio španto
4.50	10136	24.29	178.8	2.322	8.772	-2.148	-1.748
4.60	10379	24.35	179.8	2.374	8.596	-2.135	-1.698
<b>4.70</b>	10623	24.40	<b>180.8</b>	2.426	8.429	-2.122	-1.648
<b>4.80</b>	10867	24.46	<b>182.0</b>	2.478	8.268	-2.109	-1.598
4.90	11112	24.52	183.1	2.530	8.114	-2.095	-1.546
5.00	11358	24.58	184.3	2.582	7.967	-2.080	-1.491
5.10	11604	24.64	185.5	2.634	7.826	-2.065	-1.434
<b>5.20</b>	<b>11851</b>	<b>24.71</b>	186.8	2.687	7.690	-2.050	<b>-1.373</b>
<b>5.30</b>	<b>12098</b>	<b>24.77</b>	188.1	2.739	7.559	-2.035	<b>-1.310</b>
5.40	12346	24.84	189.4	2.791	7.434	-2.019	-1.244
5.50	12595	24.90	190.8	2.843	7.314	-2.003	-1.176
5.60	12844	24.97	192.3	2.896	7.198	-1.985	-1.105
<b>5.70</b>	13094	25.04	<b>193.7</b>	2.948	7.087	-1.967	-1.033
<b>5.80</b>	13345	25.11	<b>195.2</b>	3.001	6.979	-1.950	-0.958
5.90	13597	25.19	196.9	3.053	6.876	-1.930	-0.870

**Fig. 2.** The Table of Hydrostatic Properties

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**DRAUGHT SURVEY REPORT/CERTIFICATE** No.: 075/17-059277319

**CARGO:** Washed Low Ash Coal In Bulk 5.490,54 m/t

**Vessel:** **TIP HELSINKI**

IMO No.:	9277319	LBP:	113,35	Loading Port:	Gijon, Spain
Flag:	Malta	Breadth:	15,20	Unloading Port:	Split, Croatia
Port of Registry:	Valletta	Thickness of keel plate:	0,014	Arrival at road:	20.08.17/15:30
Gross tonnage:	5057	Depth:	8,45	Vessel Berthed:	20.08.17/17:12
Net tonnage:	2681	Summer Draught:	7,03	Commenced:	21.08.17/06:30
Summer Displacement:	10376,27	Summer Freeboard:	1,522	Completed:	22.08.17/15:00
Summer Deadweight:	7755,09	Calculated Quantity:	5.490,54	B/L Quantity:	5.510,80
Light Ship weight:	2621,18	Apparent Constant:	5.541,17	Difference:	20,26

SURVEY/Date/Time:	Initial	20.08.17./19:30	Final	22.08.17./18:00		
<b>OBSERVED DRAUGHT:</b>	Forward		Mid		Aft	
	INITIAL	FINAL	INITIAL	FINAL	INITIAL	FINAL
Port:	6,020	3,140	6,520	3,910	7,060	4,790
Stbd:	6,020	3,140	6,580	3,920	7,060	4,790
Dist. From draught mark to PP:	-1,150	-1,150	-0,175	-0,175	-1,948	-1,948

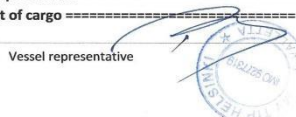
DRAUGHT CALCULATION (metres)	INITIAL	FINAL
Obs mean fwd draught	6,020	3,140
Fwd perp. Corr	-0,010	-0,017
Draught forward mean corr	6,010	3,123
Obs mean aft draught	7,060	4,790
Aft pert. Corr	-0,018	-0,028
Draught aft mean corr	7,042	4,762
Draught forward & aft mean	6,526	3,943
Obs mean mid draught	6,550	3,915
Mid perp. Corr	-0,002	-0,003
Draught midship mean corr	6,548	3,912
Draught mean of means	6,537	3,928
Mean of means corrected for hog/sag	6,543	3,920

CARGO WEIGHT CALCULATIONS (metric tonnes)		
Displacement Tab	9.570,57	5.468,66
LCF	2,35	-1,74
TPC	16,43	14,94
MCTC +50	136,10	103,11
MCTC -50	123,80	96,35
Trim True	1,033	1,638
Trim correction	40,97	-29,66
Displacement corrected for trim	9.611,54	5.439,00
Observed density mean (G.H.Zeal No.11/269125)	1,0230	1,0230
Density correction	-18,75	-10,61
Displacement corrected for density	9.592,78	5.428,39

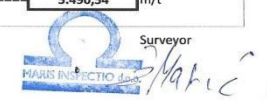
Remarks:	DEDUCTIBLE WEIGHTS		
	Other cargo	0,00	0,00
	Ballast	1.073,73	2.405,88
	Fresh Water	34,00	30,00
	Fuel oil	191,00	191,00
	Diesel oil	84,00	82,00
	Lub oil	8,00	8,00
	Other	39,70	39,70
	<b>Total deductibles</b>	<b>1.430,43</b>	<b>2.756,58</b>

Initial Net Displacement	8.162,35	
Final Net Displacement		2.671,81
<b>Total weight of cargo</b>		<b>5.490,54 m/t</b>

Vessel representative



Surveyor



**Fig. 3. The draft survey report**



## 2. UNIVERSAL CALCULATIONS OF THE DRAFT SURVEY

An example of the draft survey report provided in the Fig. 4.

SHIP'S DRAFT SURVEY REPORT			
LITHUANIAN SHIPPING Co.	PORT: KLAIPEDA	CARGO: CEMENT IN BIG BAGS	
M/V ROMUVA	B/L QUANTITY: ##### MT		
BREADBOX SHIPPING LINE S	MARK S	LIGHT	LOADED
ITEMS OF CALCULATION	MARK S	LIGHT	LOADED
DATE	2021-09-18	2021-09-22	
WATER SURFACE - calm / rippled / choppy	rippled	rippled	
LENGTH BETWEEN PERPENDICULARS	LBP	134.30	134.30
OBSERVED MEAN DRAFT FORE	A	4.00	9.00
OBSERVED MEAN DRAFT AFT	B	5.01	9.10
OBSERVED MEAN DRAFT MIDSHIP	C	5.000	9.080
DRAFT MARKS FROM F.P.	D	-2.67	-2.67
DRAFT MARKS FROM A.P.	E	7.015	-2.75
DRAFT FORE CORRECTED TO F.P.	$F=A+(B-D)/LBP$	3.9570	8.9980
DRAFT AFT CORRECTED TO A.P.	$G=B+(C-A)/LBP$	5.1231	9.0980
MEAN FORE & AFT DRAFT	$H=(F+G)/2$	5.0401	9.0480
MEAN OF MEANS DRAFT	$I=(F+D)+(G+D)/4$	5.0200	9.0540
HOBBS(S)/SAG(S)	J=H-C	0.040	-0.012
DRAFT CORRECTED FOR DEFORMATION	$K=H+D+(G+D)/4$	5.0100	9.0670
TABULATED DISPLACEMENT FOR DRAFT K	L	11382.860	22082.681
TABULATED LCF FROM A.P.	M	55.435	54.700
CALCULATED LCF FROM MIDSHIP fore(s) / aft(s)	$N=LBP/2M$	-1.485	2.444
TPC FOR DRAFT K	O	24.655	28.764
FIRST TRIM CORRECTION	$P=100(G-F)/LBP$	-58.888	6.232
MTC FOR DRAFT K + 50 cm (1)	Q	190.950	301.641
MTC FOR DRAFT K - 50 cm (2)	R	178.000	298.838
DIFFERENCE MTC(1) - MTC(2)	$S=Q-R$	12.050	32.703
SECOND TRIM CORRECTION	$T=50(G-F)/G+LBP$	21.060	0.122
DISPLACEMENT CORRECTED FOR TRIM	$U=L+P+T$	11344.801	22087.834
TABLE DENSITY	V	1.0250	1.0250
ACTUAL OBSERVED DENSITY	W	1.002	1.025
DENSITY CORRECTION	$X=U(W-V)/V$	-264.688	0.000
DISPLACEMENT CORRECTED FOR DENSITY	$Y=U-X$	11080.234	22087.834
LIST OF KNOWN WEIGHTS			
TRANSIT CARGO, mt	Z	0.0	0.0
BALLAST WATER, mt		4970.5	300.5
FUEL OIL, mt		55.7	90.9
DIESEL OIL, mt		37.3	25.4
LUBRIC OIL, mt		18.5	19.3
FRESH WATER, mt		99.5	144.0
OTHERS, mt		0.0	12.0
TOTAL	Z	6214.6	583.4
NET DISPLACEMENT	$NT=Y-Z$	5876.734	21474.654
LIGHT SHIP	LS	5808.310	5808.310
CONSTANT	$OT=NT-LS$	67.424	67.424
<b>CARGO QUANTITY, MT #####</b>			
REMARKS:	<b>DISCREPANCY WITH THE B/L 37.529</b>		
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DRAFTS	LIGHT	LOADED
	DISPLACEMENT (FOR TRIM = 0)	DISPLACEMENT (FOR TRIM = 0)
TABLE DRAFT 1	5.00 11355.000	9.00 21999.000
TABLE DRAFT 2	5.10 11604.000	9.10 22158.000
DRAFT K	5.0100 11382.650	9.0570 22082.581
LCF		
TABLE DRAFT 1	5.00 55.541	9.00 53.242
TABLE DRAFT 2	5.10 55.504	9.10 55.010
DRAFT K	5.0100 58.635	9.0570 54.706
TPC		
TABLE DRAFT 1	5.00 24.530	9.00 25.590
TABLE DRAFT 2	5.10 24.540	9.10 25.520
DRAFT K	5.0100 24.586	9.0570 28.764
MTC(1)		
TABLE DRAFT 1	5.00 190.950	9.00 300.500
TABLE DRAFT 2	5.00 192.300	9.00 302.100
DRAFT K + 50 cm	5.5100 190.950	9.5570 301.541
MTC(2)		
TABLE DRAFT 1	4.50 175.500	3.50 255.000
TABLE DRAFT 2	4.50 179.500	3.50 270.300
DRAFT K - 50 cm	4.5100 178.900	3.5570 268.838

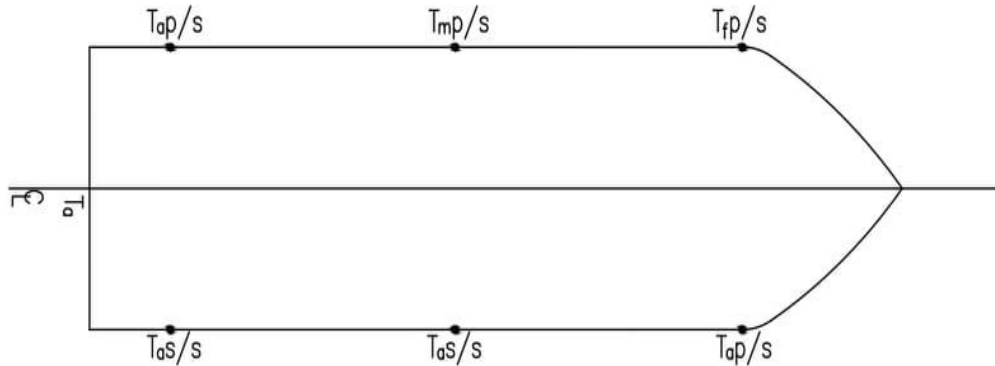
NOTE: DRAFT MARKS FROM P. LOADED -2.665/2.745  
LIGHT -2.665 /7.015 m

Fig. 4. Ships draft survey report example

Steps and Formulas for Draft (Draught) Survey that are adopted by The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe UNECE.



**1<sup>st</sup> Step** - to observe six draughts (Fig. 5):  $T_{f s/s}$ ,  $T_{f p/s}$ ,  $T_{m s/s}$ ,  $T_{m p/s}$ ,  $T_{a s/s}$ ,  $T_{a p/s}$



**Fig. 5.** Ships draft

**2<sup>nd</sup> Step.** To measure the density of the outer water  $\gamma$

**3<sup>rd</sup> Step.** To calculate observed mean draughts  $T_f$ ,  $T_a$  and  $T_m$ .

Observed Mean Draft Fore:  $T_f = (T_{f s/s} + T_{f p/s}) / 2$

Observed Mean Draft Aft  $T_a = (T_{a s/s} + T_{a p/s}) / 2$

Observed Mean Draft Midship  $T_m = (T_{m s/s} + T_{m p/s}) / 2$

**4<sup>th</sup> Step.** To find from the “Stability Information Booklet” -  $X_f$  - the distance of fore draft marks from forward perpendicular (*FP*),  $X_a$  - the distance of aft draft marks from aft perpendicular (*AP*).

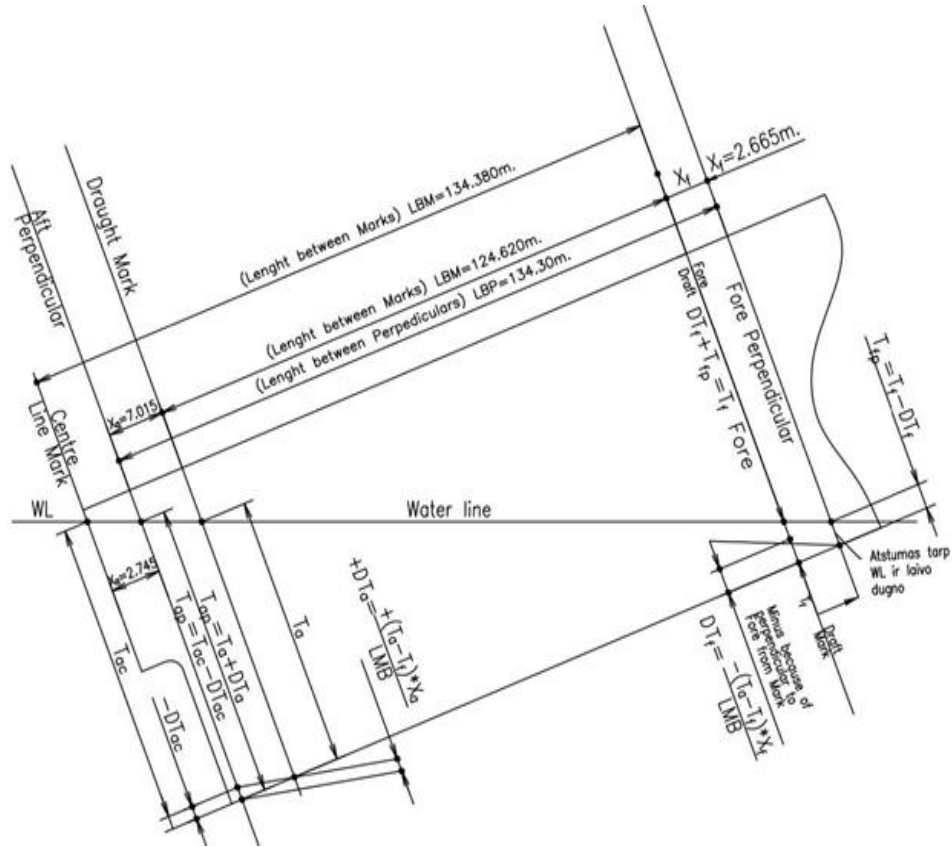


Fig. 5. Distances of the ship

**5<sup>th</sup> Step.** To calculate the drafts on perpendiculars  $T_{fp}$ ,  $T_{ap}$  and find from the “Stability information booklet” the  $LBP$  – Length Between Perpendiculars and calculate the  $LBM$  – Length Between Marks. Draft fore corrected to forward perpendicular  $T_{fp} = T_f - \Delta T_f$ , where  $T_f - \{ [(T_a - T_f) * X_f] / LBM \}$ . Minus because of Perpendicular. Fore from Mark (3).

(3)

$$\Delta T_f = - \{ [(T_a - T_f) * X_f] / LBM \}$$

Draft Aft Corrected to Aft Perpendicular (4).

(4)

$$T_{ap} = T_a + \Delta T_a = T_a + \{ [(T_a - T_f) * X_a] / LBM \}$$

Plus because of Perpendicular to Aft from Mark (5).

(5)

$$\Delta T_a = + \{ [(T_a - T_f) * X_a] / LBM \},$$

Where Length Between Marks (6).

(6)

$$(LBM) = LBP - (X_f + X_a) = LBP - X_f - X_a$$

**6<sup>th</sup> Step.** To calculate mean Draft on Perpendiculars  $T_{fap}$  and determinate if there is hogging (+) or Sagging (-) (7).

(7)

$$T_{fap} = (T_{ap} + T_{fp}) / 2$$

**7<sup>th</sup> Step.** To calculate:  $T_{mm}$  - mean Corrected Draft (8)

(8)

$$T_{mm} = (T_{fp} + 2T_m + T_{ap}) / 4$$

**8<sup>th</sup> Step.** To calculate mean of means  $T$  (9).

(9)

$$T = (T_{fp} + 6T_{mm} + T_{ap}) / 8$$



**9<sup>th</sup> Step.** To determinate 1-st Correction.

According to calculated  $T$  (Mean of Means) it is necessary using Hydrostatic Properties to determinate by Interpolation.  $LCF$  = Centre of Flotation from Mid. (Longitudinal Centre of Flotation) and  $TPC$  = Tons per Centimeter of Immersion (10).

(10)

$$1\text{-st Corr.} = \frac{100 \cdot (T_{ap} - T_{fp}) \cdot LCF \cdot TPC}{LBP}$$

**10<sup>th</sup> Step.** To determinate 2<sup>nd</sup> Corr.  $MTC$  = Moment for Trim 1 cm. Using Hydrostatic Properties it is necessary to determinate by Interpolation (11), (12), (13).

(11)

$MTC_{(T+50cm)}$  = The  $MTC$  for  $T$  (Mean of Means) and plus 50 centimeters (T + 50)

(12)

$MTC_{(T-50cm)}$  = The  $MTC$  for  $T$  (Mean of Means) and minus 50 centimeters (T – 50)

(13)

$$2\text{-nd Corr.} = \frac{50 \cdot TRIM^2 \cdot [MTC_{T+50} - MTC_{T-50}]}{LBP}$$

**11<sup>th</sup> Step.** To calculate the Displacement Corrected for Trim  $D_t$  (14).

$D_{(T)}$  = the Displacement from Hydrostatic Properties determined for T (Mean of Means) by Interpolation

(14)

$$D_t = D_{(T)} + 1\text{-st Corr.} + 2\text{-nd Corr.}$$

**12<sup>th</sup> Step.** To calculate density Correction  $D_\gamma$ , where  $\gamma$  - measured Water Density,  $\gamma_t$  = Table Density found from Stability Information Booklet (International Meaning)  $\gamma_t = 1,025$  t/cub. m) (15).

(15)

$$D_\gamma = D_t * (\gamma - \gamma_t) / \gamma_t$$

**13<sup>th</sup> Step.** To Calculate Final Displacements  $D_o$  or  $D_c$

Displacements Corrected for Density (16).

(16)

$$D_o = D_t + D_\gamma \text{ or } D_c = D_t + D_\gamma$$

(17)

$$Constant = D_o - (P_{hfo} + P_{mdo} + P_{lo}) - (P_{bw} + P_{fw}) - Lightship$$

(18)

$$P_{cargo} = D_c - (P_{hfo} + P_{mdo} + P_{lo}) - (P_{bw} + P_{fw}) - Lightship - Const.$$

### 3. DRAUGHT SURVEYS PRACTICE

The master of the vessel should be advised in advance that a draught survey will be carried out. If this is an initial survey of a lightship, he should be asked, subject to the safety of the vessel, to ensure that the individual ballast tanks are either completely full or empty that the vessel stands upright and has a trim that is within the tank calibration tables. It is essential that cooperation between independent surveyors and ship officers takes place during draught surveys. Before carrying out the survey it is recommended that the surveyor takes time to examine the general layout plan to confirm the number and location of the various ballast, freshwater and oil bunker tanks on the ship. Equipment that can be used in the survey ([www.bulkcarrierguide.com](http://www.bulkcarrierguide.com)):

1. Strong torch
2. Patented draught mark indicator or measuring devices (tubes, indicators, etc.)
3. Calibrated inclinometer or manometer
4. Steel tape measure with plumb bob / stainless steel tape measure with brass plumb bob (preferably calibrated)
5. Sufficient volume bucket for seawater sampling

6. Calibrated patent hydrometer for draft survey
7. Calibrated salinity refractometer
8. Ballast water sampling device
9. Computer/calculator.

A well-conducted draught survey under reasonable prevailing conditions is capable of achieving an absolute accuracy of +/- 0.5%

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