

## **SKF and the marine industry**

For today's global fleet of increasingly specialized vessels, staying profitable means exploring every possibility for sustainably improving efficiency and predictability. This is especially true considering rising fuel costs, increasingly stringent environmental regulations, and growing health and safety concerns.

For more than 70 years, SKF has applied its innovative thinking and expertise to critical machinery in the marine industry. SKF solutions cut operating costs across the marine market, while helping operators reduce environmental impact and increase health and safety. Equally important, SKF offers a full range of condition-based maintenance solutions that maximize fleet availability and critical equipment service reliability.

SKF is an expert at optimizing the entire ship life cycle:

- Specification – SKF cooperates closely with regulatory bodies, institutes and maritime agencies, and offers support in defining and meeting standards and requirements.
- Design and develop – SKF provides engineering services to enable new designs that minimize risk of machinery failures and warranty costs.
- Manufacture and test – SKF is a one-stop source for proven, world-class products delivered and available worldwide.
- Maintain and repair – SKF delivers a range of maintenance engineering and consulting services that increase asset uptime.
- Operate and monitor – SKF helps create safer and more profitable operations with increased availability by providing class-approved, condition-based maintenance solutions.
- Install and commission – SKF optimizes operational performance through best-practice installation services.

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SKF products and services apply to many areas of a ship, making SKF a valued system and services engineering partner for designers, builders and operators of many types of ships. Additionally, SKF is focused on meeting the needs of the next generation of vessels with solutions for diesel electric and gas electric propulsion systems.

Finally, the SKF Marine Industry Service Centre provides seamless global support for its marine industry partners. The centre is a single point of entry for a complete range of SKF products and services, delivered with world-class logistics through the industry's best distribution system. Facilities for training and certification related to the marine industry are also available at the centre.

With a presence in more than 130 countries, 110 production sites in 28 countries and distributors in more than 15,000 locations, SKF offers and delivers its marine solutions anytime, anywhere around the globe.

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