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Tank inspections should confirm that the tanks have been cleaned to the following standards as required:

**Brine Standard**

Cargo lines and pumps are flushed through with clean water and lines drained. Tank bottoms and internal structure (stringers, frames, etc.) are clear of mud solids, semi-solids and all evidence of previous cargo. The tank may require cleaning with detergent to achieve the highest standard of cleanliness possible. All traces of water and detergent removed from tank.

**Water Based Mud Standard**

Cargo lines and pumps are flushed through with clean water and lines drained. Tank bottoms and internal structure (stringers, frames, etc.) are clear of mud solids, semi-solids and all evidence of previous cargo. The tank may require cleaning with detergent to achieve the highest standard of cleanliness possible. All traces of water and detergent removed from tank.

**Oil Based Mud Standard**

Tank bottoms and internal structure (stringers, frames, etc.) are clear of mud solids and semi-solids. Cargo lines are flushed through with clean water and lines drained. Pump suction pipes are checked and clean. Tank must be empty and clear of all water / mud mixtures.

**Pump out Standard**

Pump out residues from tank and wipe tank floor using rubber mops or equivalent. Check suction pipes to ensure they are clear. No requirement for washing.

**Dry Bulk Tanks**

Tanks to be brushed down and residues removed by vacuum tanker, eductor system or equivalent. Slides to be checked for dryness and condition and ‘elephant foot’ suction checked to be clear.