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Ministry Of Communications



دولة الكويت
STATE OF KUWAIT

MARINE CIRCULAR 1/2006 dated 24th June, 2006

Attn: All Kuwaiti ship owners/Managers or Operators of Kuwaiti ships and all recognized and authorized Classification Societies

IMMERSION SUITS

As per the SOLAS Amendments (Reg.32 of Chapter III of SOLAS 1974 as amended), and IMO Resolution MSC.152 (78), Immersion suits are required for every person on board the vessel on all ships from 1st July, 2006. For the cargo ships constructed before 1st July, 2006, this requirement shall be complied with not later than the first safety equipment survey on or after 1st July, 2006.

Additional Immersion suits are to be provided where the work stations located remotely, like the same way for the life jackets, say 3 no:s (minimum) with the for'd or aft life raft as required as per Reg.31.1.4 of Chapter III. If any other work stations or watch stations on board such as Wheelhouse or Engine room are 50 meters away from normally stowed places, additional immersion suits are to be provided.

If the vessel (except bulk carriers) is constantly engaged on voyages in warm climates, exemptions may be granted.

Other changes in the Life appliances and arrangements (Chapter III of SOLAS 1974 as amended) are given in the Resolution MSC.152 (78) adopted on 20 May, 2004. (attached)

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