

Subject

Carriage of immersion suits and lifejackets on board  
Danish flagged vessels

# **ClassNK**

## ***Technical Information***

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To whom it may concern

The Danish Maritime Authority (DMA) has notified of carriage of immersion suits and lifejackets for that flagged ships as follows. Therefore, this ClassNK Technical Information supersedes ClassNK Technical Information No.TEC-0790 "Installation of immersion suits on board Danish flagged vessels" issued on 13 November 2009.

1. Immersion suits on board Danish flagged vessels are to be of a type in accordance with the LSA Code Regulation 2.3.2.2 that ensures a thermal protection for 6 hours (insulated). However, the DMA accepts any wheel-marked immersion suit that is in accordance with the Marine Equipment Directive 96/98/EC.
2. Immersion suits and lifejackets are to be so placed as to be readily accessible and their position is to be plainly indicated. The stowage position is to be close to the muster station. An alternative stowage position may be accepted by the DMA, provided that the arrangement is in compliance with the intention behind the rule.
3. For passenger ships trading in Greenland, Arctic and comparable waters, immersion suits are required for each person on board. During the period from 1 May to 30 September, passenger ships may undertake individual voyages without carrying immersion suits for all persons on board, on the condition that the persons who are not provided with immersions suits are provided with thermal protective aids.
4. The carriage of immersion suits and thermal protective aids is unnecessary if the ship is constantly engaged on voyages in warm climates. The DMA defines warm climates as the area between 30°North and 30°South. This exemption applies only to ships other than bulk carriers.
5. On cargo ships, additional immersion suits are to be provided at remotely located watch or work station, including remotely located survival craft. Reference is made to MSC.1/Circ.1243, "Unified interpretation of SOLAS chapter III". The number of additional immersion suits is to be a minimum of two. On smaller vessels where there is only one watchkeeping officer in the machinery space, the number of additional immersion suits may be reduced to one.

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