

# SC 261 Interpretation of Performance Standards for voyage data recorders (VDRs)

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(resolution MSC.333(90) as amended by MSC.494(104))

~~Operative paragraph 2 of resolution MSC.333(90) read:~~

~~2. RECOMMENDS Governments to ensure that VDRs:~~

~~.1 if installed on or after 1 July 2014, conform to performance standards not inferior to those specified in the annex to the present resolution; and~~

~~.2 if installed before 1 July 2014, conform to performance standards not inferior to those specified in the annex to resolution A.861(20), as amended by resolution MSC.214(81).~~

**Operative paragraph 2 of resolution MSC.494(104) reads:**

**2. RECOMMENDS Governments to ensure that VDRs:**

**.1 if installed on or after 1 July 2022, conform to performance standards not inferior to those specified in the annex to resolution MSC.333(90), as amended by the present resolution;**

**.2 if installed on or after 1 July 2014 and before 1 July 2022, conform to performance standards not inferior to those specified in the annex to resolution MSC.333(90);**

## Interpretation

For application of resolution MSC.333(90) as amended by MSC.494(104), the phrase "installed on or after ~~1 July 2014~~ 1 July 2022" shall be interpreted as follows:

- (a) for ships for which the building contract is placed on or after ~~1 July 2014~~ 1 July 2022, or in the absence of the contract, constructed on or after ~~1 July 2014~~ 1 July 2022, "installed on or after ~~1 July 2014~~ 1 July 2022" means any installation on the ship; and
- (b) for ships other than those ships prescribed in (a) above, "installed on or after ~~1 July 2014~~ 1 July 2022" means a contractual delivery date for the equipment or, in the absence of a contractual delivery date, the actual delivery of the equipment to the ship on or after ~~1 July 2014~~ 1 July 2022.

Note:

1. This UI is to be uniformly implemented by IACS Societies from 1 July 2014.
2. Rev.1 of this Unified Interpretation is to be uniformly implemented by IACS Societies not later than 1 July 2022.
- ~~2. The "contracted for construction" date means the date on which the contract to build the vessel is signed between the prospective owner and the shipbuilder. For further details regarding the date of "contract for construction", refer to IACS Procedural Requirement~~

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