

SC 295 (July 2021) Interpretation of Performance Standards for Float-free Emergency Position-indicating radio beacons (EPIRBs) Operating on 406 MHz (resolution MSC.471(101))

Interpretation of Operative paragraph 2 of resolution MSC.471(101)

Operative paragraph 2 of resolution MSC.471(101) reads:

2. *RECOMMENDS Governments to ensure that float-free EPIRBs operating on the frequency 406 MHz:*

.1 if installed on or after 1 July 2022, conform to performance standards and type-approval standards not inferior to those specified in the annex to the present resolution;

.2 if installed before 1 July 2022, conform to performance standards not inferior to those specified in the annex to resolution A.810(19), as amended by resolutions MSC.56(66) and MSC.120(74), and type-approval standards not inferior to those specified in resolution A.696(17);

Interpretation

For application of resolution MSC.471(101), the phrase "installed on or after 1 July 2022" shall be interpreted as follows:

- (a) for ships for which the building contract is placed on or after 1 July 2022, or in the absence of the contract, constructed on or after 1 July 2022, "installed on or after 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 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 2022.

Note:

1. This Unified Interpretation is to be uniformly implemented by IACS Societies from 1 July 2022.

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