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Fire protection of weather decks

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Interpretation of SOLAS regulation II-2/20.6.3.1

“6.3 Portable fire extinguishers

6.3.1 Portable extinguishers shall be provided at each deck level in each hold or compartment where vehicles are carried, spaced not more than 20 m apart on both sides of the space. At least one portable fire-extinguisher shall be located at each access to such a cargo space.*

* Refer to Unified interpretation of SOLAS chapter II-2 on the number and arrangement of portable fire extinguishers on board ships (MSC.1/Circ.1275 and its Corr.1).

Interpretation

The requirements in SOLAS regulation II-2/20.6.3.1 need not be applied to weather decks intended for the carriage of vehicles.

Note:

1. Rev.2 of this UI is to be uniformly implemented by IACS Societies from 1 July 2006.
2. Rev.3 of this UI is to be uniformly implemented by IACS Societies from 1 July 2026.

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