
GUIDANCE FOR SAFETY EQUIPMENT

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2017 AMENDMENT NO.1

Notice No.29 1st June 2017

Resolved by Technical Committee on 30th January 2017

“Guidance for safety equipment” has been partly amended as follows:

Amendment 1-1

Chapter 3 ARRANGEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

3.1 General

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Sub-paragraph -23 has been added as follows.

23 As for pilot transfer arrangements as required by **Regulation 23.3.3, Chapter V of the Annex to the Convention**, the following manners are to be applied.

- (1) The consideration of an adverse list is not required in calculating the distance from the surface of the water to the point of access to the ship.
- (2) **Regulation 23.3.3.2, Chapter V of the Annex to the Convention**, and section 3 of *Resolution A.1045(27)* apply to a combined arrangement of an accommodation ladder used in conjunction with the pilot ladder for safe and convenient access to, and egress from, the ship. The pilot ladder in the combined arrangement is to comply with **Regulations 23.3.3.1.1 to 23.3.3.1.4 , Chapter V of the Annex to the Convention.**

EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICATION (Amendment 1-1)

1. The effective date of the amendments is 1 June 2017.

Chapter 2 SURVEYS OF SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Section 2.3 has been added as follows.

2.3 Registration Maintenance Surveys

2.3.1 Special Surveys

With respect to 2.3.1 of the Rules, it is to be verified that the annual performance tests specified in (1) and (2) are carried out within three (3) months before the date of expiry of the relevant certificate, but ending no later than the date of completion of the Special Survey for said certificate. However, special considerations will be given in case where the Special Survey is carried out in advance in accordance with the requirements specified in 2.1.3 of the Rules.

- (1) Annual performance tests suitable for automatic identification systems (AIS) carried out by firms specified in 2.1.7(1) of the Rules.
- (2) Annual performance tests suitable for voyage data recorders (VDR), including simplified voyage data recorders (S-VDR), carried out by firms specified in 2.1.7(2) of the Rules.

2.3.2 Periodical Surveys

With respect to 2.3.2 of the Rules, it is to be verified that the annual performance tests specified in 2.3.1(1) and (2) are carried out within three (3) months before or after the nearest anniversary date (i.e., a day corresponding to the expiry date of the relevant certificate, but excluding the expiry date of the certificate), but ending no later than the date of completion of the Periodical Survey for said certificate. However, special considerations will be given in case where the Periodical Survey is carried out in advance in accordance with the requirements specified in 2.1.3 of the Rules.

2.3.3 Annual Surveys

With respect to 2.3.3 of the Rules, it is to be verified that the annual performance tests specified in 2.3.1(1) and (2) are carried out within three (3) months before or after the nearest anniversary date (i.e., a day corresponding to the expiry date of the relevant certificate, but excluding the expiry date of the certificate), but ending no later than the date of completion of the Annual Survey for said certificate. However, special considerations will be given in case where the Annual Survey is carried out in advance in accordance with the requirements specified in 2.1.3 of the Rules.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND APPLICATION (Amendment 1-2)

1. The effective date of the amendments is 1 July 2017.
2. Notwithstanding the amendments to the Guidance, the current requirements apply to the surveys for which the application is submitted to the Society before the effective date.