

Free-fall Certification Height for Free-fall Lifeboats

Amended Guidance

Guidance for Safety Equipment

Reason for Amendment

Although LSA Code 1.14 defines the free-fall certification heights for free-fall lifeboats, it does not clearly define under which still water surface said certification heights are to be measured. Therefore, in order to clarify the above definitions and provide a unified interpretation of the relevant rules, IACS established UI SC248 in September 2011.

Accordingly, relevant requirements have been amended in accordance with IACS UI SC248.

Outline of Amendment

- (1) It has been clearly stipulated that the still water surface is to be considered when determining the “greatest launching height” for a free-fall lifeboat as stipulated in LSA Code 1.1.4.
- (2) It has been clearly stipulated that consideration is to be given to trim and list when determining the launching height in which a free-fall lifeboat can be safely launched.