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Subject:	Life Saving Appliances – Public Address System
Reference:	SOLAS III/6.4.2

### **Life Saving Appliances –Public Address System**

Verify that a Public Address system has been provided as per LSA Code 7.2.2 and SOLAS Reg. III/6.4.2.

Note: Insofar as propulsion-machinery space in a cargo ship is concerned, where the General Alarm (GA) device and Public Address (PA) system are arranged as follows, the arrangement would be acceptable by Code 7.2.2/SOLAS Reg. III/6.4.2:

a) For vessels fitted with an enclosed Engine Control Room within or adjacent to (i.e., accessible from the propulsion-machinery space), the propulsion-machinery space:

A loud speaker for PA system and a GA device are to be installed in the enclosed Engine Control Room, in addition to a separate GA device in the propulsion-machinery space.

b) For vessels fitted with an Engine Control Room remote from the propulsion-machinery space:

A loud speaker for PA system and a GA device are to be installed in the Engine Control Room, in addition to a separate loud speaker for PA system and GA device in the propulsion-machinery space.

c) For vessels without an enclosed Engine Control Room:

A loud speaker for PA system is to be fitted at the Engine Control and Monitoring Station within the propulsion-machinery space, in addition to a GA device in the propulsion-machinery space. Where the GA device within the propulsion-machinery space is audible at the Engine Control and Monitoring

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Station at the required sound pressure level of Paragraph 7.2.1.2 of the LSA Code, a specific GA device dedicated for the Engine Control and Monitoring Station need not be provided.

REFERENCES:

- SOLAS III/6.4.2

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