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Title	Unified Interpretations of SOLAS Chapter II-2
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– Separation of Ducts from Spaces

The Committee approved circular MSC.1/Circ.1276/Rev.1 containing amendments to unified interpretations of regulations II-2/9.7.2 and 9.7.5

– Separation of ducts from spaces, in the Unified Interpretations of SOLAS Chapter II-2 (MSC.1/Circ.1276) originally developed to address requirements for separation of galley exhaust ducts from the spaces they pass through, in order to align with the provisions of the SOLAS Convention, as amended by the Amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (Resolution MSC.365(93)).

This UI contains diagrams showing various configurations in which a duct that has contiguous boundaries to an enclosed space should be insulated from that space where fire-rated insulation is required as per regulations II-2/9.7.2 and 9.7.5.

Revision to the Unified Interpretations of the 2008 Intact Stability Code (MSC.1/Circ.1537/Rev.1)

The Committee approved circular MSC.1/Circ.1537/Rev.2 containing an addition to the Unified Interpretations of the 2008 Intact Stability Code (MSC.1/Circ.1537/Rev.1) for the interpretation of down-flooding point to be realigned in its scope of application to all criteria addressed by the 2008 Intact Stability Code. The revision clarifies that that this interpretation may be applied to all down-flooding points and is not specific to severe wind and weather criterion.

Unified Interpretations of the LSA Code, the 1994 and 2000 HSC Codes

– Life raft Equipment The Committee approved circular MSC.1/Circ.1674 containing unified interpretations of the LSA Code and the 1994 and 2000 HSC Codes regarding paragraphs 4.1.5.1.13, 4.4.8.16 and 5.1.2.2.7 of the LSA Code

– Equipment of life raft, lifeboat and rescue boat, respectively, paragraph 3.8.10 of annex 10 to the

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1994 HSC Code

– Equipment of open reversible life raft and paragraph 3.8.10 of annex 11 to the 2000 HSC Code –
Equipment of open reversible life raft. The unified interpretation suggests that if a torch uses a filament bulb or a single LED as its light source for the life raft equipment, then a spare bulb must be provided. However, if the torch has multiple LEDs and the failure of one LED does not affect the functionality of the others, then a spare LED is not required. The provision of a second ready-for-use waterproof electric torch suitable for morse signaling can be accepted as an alternative to providing one spare set of batteries and one spare bulb in a waterproof container.

REFERENCES:

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