

Machinery Spaces Equipped with Portable Foam Applicators

Amended Rules and Guidance

Rules for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships Part R
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Reason for Amendment

SOLAS regulation II-2/10.5.2 specifies that machinery spaces of category A which contain internal combustion machinery are to be equipped with fixed fire-extinguishing systems. SOLAS, however, is not clear as to whether additional fire-extinguishing systems, such as portable foam applicators, only need to be provided for machinery spaces of category A. The IMO, therefore, decided to clarify the spaces required to be provided with the aforementioned additional fire-extinguishing systems.

As a result, SOLAS regulation II-2/10.5.2 was amended to clarify that additional fire-extinguishing systems, such as portable foam applicators, only need to be provided for machinery spaces of category A. This amendment was adopted as IMO Resolution MSC.380(94) at the 94th Session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee (MSC 94) held in November 2014.

Accordingly, all relevant requirements were amended based upon IMO Resolution MSC.380(94).

Outline of Amendment

Amended the title of Chapter 10.5.2 of Part R of Rules and Guidance from “machinery spaces containing internal combustion machinery” to “machinery spaces of category A containing internal combustion machinery”.