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INTERPRETATIONS OF STANDARDS FOR FIXED SPRINKLER SYSTEMS FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT (RESOLUTION MSC.44(65))

- The Maritime Safety Committee, at its seventy-first session (19 to 28 May 1999), approved, with a view to ensuring uniform application of the Standards for fixed sprinkler systems for high-speed craft (resolution MSC.44(65)), interpretations to the relevant sections of the Standards, prepared by the Sub-Committee on Fire Protection, as set out in the annex.
- Member Governments are invited to use the annexed interpretations as guidance when applying the relevant parts of the Standards to fire protection of high-speed craft where the International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft (HSC Code) requires the installation of fixed sprinkler systems, on or after 21 May 1999, and to bring these interpretations to the attention of all parties concerned.

ANNEX

DRAFT INTERPRETATIONS TO STANDARDS FOR FIXED SPRINKLER SYSTEMS FOR HIGH-SPEED CRAFT (RESOLUTION MSC.44(65))

Paragraph 2.1.2

In the case where a manual sprinkler system is fitted, special consideration should be given to the location of the second manually operated switch or break glass station (one being installed in a continuously manned control station). This second switch should be located in a position such that it is readily accessible to crew members but protected from inadvertent actuation by passengers.

Section 8 Hydropneumatic tanks

Hydropneumatic tanks need not be provided for manual sprinkler systems.