

**§ 196.37-1**

fire extinguishing systems, fire doors, means of ingress to the different compartments, the ventilating systems including the positions of the dampers, the location of the remote means of stopping the fans, and the identification of the fans serving each section.

**Subpart 196.37—Markings for Fire and Emergency Equipment, etc.**

**§ 196.37-1 Application.**

(a) The provisions of this subpart shall apply to all vessels.

**§ 196.37-3 General.**

(a) It is the intent of this subpart to provide such markings as are necessary for the guidance of the persons on board in case of an emergency. In any specific case, and particularly on small vessels, where it can be shown to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, that the prescribed markings are unnecessary for the guidance of the persons on board in case of emergency, such markings may be modified or omitted.

(b) In addition to English, notices, directional signs, etc., shall be printed in languages appropriate to the service of the vessel.

(c) Where in this subpart red letters are specified, letters of a contrasting color on a red background will be accepted.

**§ 196.37-5 General alarm bell contact makers.**

(a) Each general alarm contact maker must be marked in accordance with requirements in Subchapter J (Electrical Engineering Regulations) of this chapter.

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CROSS REFERENCE: See also §113.25-20 of Subchapter J (Electrical Engineering) of this chapter.

**§ 196.37-7 General alarm bells.**

(a) All general alarm bells shall be identified by red lettering at least ½ inch high: "GENERAL ALARM—WHEN BELL RINGS GO TO YOUR STATION."

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**§ 196.37-9 Carbon dioxide alarm.**

(a) All carbon dioxide alarms shall be conspicuously identified: "WHEN ALARM SOUNDS—VACATE AT ONCE. CARBON DIOXIDE BEING RE-LEASED."

**§ 196.37-10 Fire extinguishing system branch lines.**

(a) The branch line valves of all fire extinguishing systems shall be plainly and permanently marked indicating the spaces served.

**§ 196.37-13 Fire extinguishing system controls.**

(a) The control cabinets or spaces containing valves or manifolds for the various fire extinguishing systems shall be distinctly marked in conspicuous red letters at least 2 inches high: "CARBON DIOXIDE FIRE APPARATUS," or "FOAM FIRE APPARATUS," etc., as the case may be.

**§ 196.37-15 Firehose stations.**

(a) Each fire hydrant shall be identified in red letters and figures at least 2 inches high "FIRE STATION NO. 1", "2", "3", etc. Where the hose is not stowed in the open or behind glass so as to be readily seen, this identification shall be so placed as to be readily seen from a distance.

**§ 196.37-20 Self-contained breathing apparatus and gas masks.**

(a) Lockers or spaces containing self-contained breathing apparatus shall be marked "SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS".

**§ 196.37-23 Hand portable fire extinguishers.**

(a) Each hand portable fire extinguisher shall be marked with a number and the location where stowed shall be marked with a corresponding number at least ½ inch high. Where only one type and size of hand portable fire extinguisher is carried, the numbering may be omitted.

**§ 196.37-25 Emergency lights.**

(a) All emergency lights shall be marked with a letter "E" at least ½ inch high.