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(b) All survival craft required for abandonment by the total number of persons on board must be capable of being launched with the survival crafts' full complement of persons and equipment within a period of 30 minutes from the time the abandon-ship signal is given.

§ 199.250 Drills.

(a) An abandon-ship drill and a fire drill, as described in §199.180, must be conducted on each passenger vessel at least weekly.

(b) The entire crew does not have to be involved in every drill, but each crewmember must participate in an abandon-ship drill and a fire drill each month.

(c) Passengers and special personnel must be strongly encouraged to attend abandon-ship and fire drills.

Subpart D—Additional Requirements for Cargo Vessels

§ 199.260 General.

Cargo vessels and special purpose vessels, as described in §199.10(f), must meet the requirements in this subpart in addition to the requirements in subparts A and B of this part.


§ 199.261 Survival craft.

(a) Each survival craft must be approved and equipped as follows:

(1) Each lifeboat must be a totally enclosed lifeboat approved under approval series 160.135 and equipped as specified in table 199.175 of this part.

(2) Each inflatable liferaft must be approved under approval series 160.118 and be equipped as specified in table 199.175 of this part.

(3) Each rigid liferaft must have a capacity of six persons or more.

(4) Each marine evacuation system must be approved under approval series 160.175.

(b) Each cargo vessel must carry—

(1) On each side of the vessel, lifeboats with an aggregate capacity sufficient to accommodate the total number of persons on board; and

(2) Liferafts—

(i) With an aggregate capacity sufficient to accommodate the total number of persons on board and that are stowed in a position providing for easy side-to-side transfer at a single open deck level; or

(ii) With an aggregate capacity on each side sufficient to accommodate the total number of persons on board.

(c) A cargo vessel is not required to meet the requirements of paragraph (b) of this section if it carries—

(1) Lifeboats capable of being free-fall launched over the stern of the vessel that have an aggregate capacity sufficient to accommodate the total number of persons on board; and

(2) On each side of the vessel, liferafts with an aggregate capacity sufficient to accommodate the total number of persons on board with the liferafts on at least one side of the vessel being served by launching appliances or marine evacuation systems.

(d) Cargo vessels less than 85 meters (278 feet) in length, with the exception of tank vessels, are not required to meet paragraphs (b) or (c) of this section if they meet the following:

(1) On each side of the vessel—

(i) Liferafts are carried with an aggregate capacity sufficient to accommodate the total number of persons on board and are stowed in a position providing for easy side-to-side transfer at a single open deck level; or

(ii) Liferafts are carried with an aggregate capacity sufficient to accommodate 150 percent of the total number of persons on board. If the rescue boat required under §199.262 is also a lifeboat, its capacity may be included to meet the aggregate capacity requirement.

(2) In the event the largest survival craft on either side of the vessel is lost or rendered unserviceable, there must be survival craft available for use on each side of the vessel, including those which are stowed in a position providing for side-to-side transfer at a single open deck level, with a capacity sufficient to accommodate the total number of persons on board.

(e) Each cargo vessel on which the horizontal distance from the extreme
end of the stem or stern of the vessel to
the nearest end of the closest survival
raft is more than 100 meters (328 feet)
must carry, in addition to the liferafts
required by paragraphs (b)(2) and (c)(2)
of this section, a liferaft stowed as far
forward or aft, or one as far forward
and another as far aft, as is reasonable
and practicable. The requirement for
the liferaft to float free under
§199.130(c)(7) does not apply to a life-
raft under this paragraph, provided it
is arranged for quick manual release.
(f) Each lifeboat on a tank vessel cer-
tificated to carry cargos that emit
toxic vapors or gases must be approved
as a lifeboat with a self-contained air
support system or a fire-protected life-
boat.
(g) Each lifeboat must be approved as
a fire-protected lifeboat if it is carried
on a tank vessel certificated to carry
cargos that have a flashpoint less than
60 °C as determined under ASTM D 93
(incorporated by reference, see §199.05).

§199.262 Rescue boats.

(a) Each cargo vessel must carry at
least one rescue boat. Each rescue boat
must be approved under approval series
160.156 and be equipped as specified in
table 199.175 of this part.
(b) A lifeboat is accepted as a rescue
boat if, in addition to being approved
under approval series 160.135, it also is
approved under approval series 160.156.

§199.271 Lifebuoys.

Each cargo vessel must carry the number of lifebuoys prescribed in table 199.271
of this section.

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§199.273 Immersion suits.

(a) Each cargo vessel must carry an
immersion suit approved under ap-
proval series 160.171 of an appropriate
size for each person on board.
(b) If watch stations, work stations,
or work sites are remote from cabins,
staterooms, or berthing areas and the
immersion suits stowed in those loca-
tions, there must be, in addition to the
immersion suits required under para-
graph (a) of this section, enough im-
merion suits stowed at the watch sta-
tions, work stations, or work sites to
equal the number of persons normally
on watch in, or assigned to, those loca-
tions at any time.
(c) The immersion suits required
under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this sec-
tion are not required if the cargo vessel
operates only on routes between 32 de-
rees north and 32 degrees south lati-
tude.
(d) The immersion suits required
under this section can be included to
meet the requirements of §199.70(c).

§199.280 Survival craft embarkation
and launching arrangements.

(a) Each lifeboat must be arranged to
be boarded and launched directly from
the stowed position.
(b) Each davit-launched liferaft must
be arranged to be boarded and launched
from a position immediately adjacent
to the stowed position or from a posi-
tion where, under §199.130(c)(4), the
liferaft is transferred before launching.
(c) Cargo vessels of 20,000 tons gross
 tonnage or more must carry lifeboats
that are capable of being launched,