(c) **Supply of foam-producing material.**

(1) There shall be provided a quantity of foam-producing material sufficient to operate the equipment at the minimum discharge rate specified in paragraph (b) of this section for a period of at least 3 minutes.

(d) **Separate supply of foam-producing material.** (1) A separate supply of foam-producing material need not be provided for each space protected. This includes a deck foam system. The total available supply shall be at least sufficient for the space requiring the greatest amount.

(e) **Water supply for required pumps.** (1) The water supply shall be from outside and completely independent of the space protected.

§ 34.17–10 Controls—T/ALL.

(a) The foam agent, its container, measuring devices, and other items peculiar to the system shall be of an approved type.

(b) The foam-producing material container and all controls and valves for the operation of the system shall be outside the space protected and shall not be located in such space as might be cut off or made inaccessible in the event of fire in any of the spaces protected. The control space shall be as convenient as practicable to one of the main escapes from the spaces protected, and shall be marked as required by § 35.40–10 of this subchapter. Where pumps are required, it shall not be necessary that they be started from the control space.

(c) Complete, but simple instructions for the operation of the system shall be located in a conspicuous place at or near the controls.

(d) The valves to the various spaces served shall be marked as required by § 35.40–10 of this subchapter.

§ 34.17–15 Piping—T/ALL.

(a) All piping, valves, and fittings shall meet the applicable requirements of subchapter F (Marine Engineering) of this chapter.

(b) All piping, valves, and fittings of ferrous materials shall be protected inside and outside against corrosion unless specifically approved otherwise by the Commandant.

(c) All piping, valves, and fittings shall be securely supported, and where necessary, protected against injury.

(d) Drains and dirt traps shall be fitted where necessary to prevent the accumulation of dirt or moisture.

(e) Piping shall not be used for any other purpose than firefighting, drills and testing.

§ 34.17–20 Discharge outlets—T/ALL.

(a) Discharge outlets shall be of an approved type.

§ 34.17–25 Additional protection required—T/ALL.

(a) In order that any residual fires above the floor plates may be extinguished when a foam system is installed for the protection of machinery spaces, at least 2 fire hydrants, in addition to those required for the machinery space by subpart 34.10, shall be installed outside of the machinery space entrance. Such hydrants shall be fitted with sufficient hose so that any part of the machinery space may be reached with at least 2 streams of water, and each hose shall be equipped with an approved combination nozzle and applicator.

§ 34.17–90 Installations contracted for prior to January 1, 1962—T/ALL.

(a) Installations contracted for prior to January 1, 1962, shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Existing arrangements, materials, and facilities previously approved shall be considered satisfactory so long as they meet the minimum requirements of this paragraph and they are maintained in good condition to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. Minor repairs and alterations may be made to the same standards as the original installation.

(2) The details of the systems shall be in general agreement with §§ 34.17–5 through 34.17–20, insofar as is reasonable and practicable. Installations contracted for prior to November 19, 1952, need not comply with paragraph (a)(2) of § 34.17–5 and § 34.17–25. A 6-inch blanket of foam in 3 minutes for machinery spaces and pumprooms will be considered as meeting the requirements of § 34.17–5.