has smoke and fire retardant properties equal to that of the steel required for “A” or “B” class bulkheads or decks and has structural qualities equivalent to steel at the end of the applicable fire exposure.

(d) Approved material means a material approved under one of the following subparts of Subchapter Q of this chapter:
   (1) Deck coverings, Subpart 164.006.
   (2) Structural insulation, Subpart 164.007.
   (3) Bulkhead panel, Subpart 164.008.
   (4) Noncombustible materials, Subpart 164.009;
   (5) Interior finishes, Subpart 164.012.
   (e) Stairtower means a stairway that penetrates more than one deck within the same enclosure, or two or more stairways that—
       (1) Are arranged vertically one above the other; or
       (2) Penetrate both the deck and the overhead within the same enclosure.
   (f) Accommodation space includes, sleeping, mess, hospital, recreational, toilet, washing and shower spaces, and corridors.

§ 108.133 Hull superstructure, structural bulkheads, decks, and deckhouses.

Each hull superstructure, structural bulkhead, deck, and deckhouse must be made of steel or an equivalent material.

§ 108.135 Boundary bulkheads, decks of galleys, and combustible material lockers.

Each boundary bulkhead and deck of each galley, each combination galley and messroom, and each combustible material storage locker must be an A class bulkhead and A class deck respectively.

§ 108.137 Bulkhead and deck separations of accommodation spaces.

Each boundary bulkhead and deck that separates an accommodation space or control station from the following must be an A class bulkhead and A class deck respectively—
   (a) Machinery space;
   (b) Galley or combination galley and messroom;
   (c) Main pantry;
   (d) Classified space;
   (e) Store room.

§ 108.139 Boundary bulkheads and decks of a space containing emergency power.

Each boundary bulkhead and deck of a space containing an emergency electric power source or components of an emergency electric power source must be an A class bulkhead and A class deck respectively. When separate but adjoining spaces are provided for such equipment, boundary bulkhead type construction is not required for the separating partitions common to each space.

§ 108.141 Boundary bulkheads and decks between the emergency power source and service generators.

Each boundary bulkhead and deck of a space containing an emergency electric power source or components of an emergency electric power source that adjoins a space containing a ship’s service generator, the components of a ship’s service generator, or a classified space must be an A–60 bulkhead and A–60 deck.

§ 108.143 Accommodation space.

(a) Each corridor bulkhead in an accommodation space must be an A class or B class bulkhead except if an A class bulkhead is specifically required by this part.
   (b) No door in a corridor bulkhead in an accommodation space may have a louver, except that a stateroom, lounge, or recreation room door may have louver in its lower half.
   (c) Each stairtower, elevator, and dumbwaiter, and other trunk must be enclosed by A class bulkheads.
   (d) Each bulkhead not described under paragraph (a) of this section must be either A class, B class, or C class bulkheads.
   (e) At least one opening to each stairway must be enclosed by either A class or B class bulkheads and doors.
   (f) Each stairtower must have doors at all levels and each must be an A class door.
   (g) Each door required by paragraphs (e) and (f) of this section—
       (1) Must be self-closing;
       (2) May not have any means to permanently hold the door open, except