§ 105.35–5 Fire pumps.

(a) All vessels shall be provided with a hand operated portable fire pump having a capacity of at least 5 gallons per minute. This fire pump shall be equipped with suction and discharge hose suitable for use in firefighting. This pump may also serve as a bilge pump.

(b) A power-driven fire pump shall be installed on each vessel of more than 65 feet in length overall.

(1) The power fire pump shall be self-priming and of such size as to discharge an effective stream from a hose connected to the highest outlet.

(2) The minimum capacity of the power fire pump shall be 50 gallons per minute at a pressure of not less than 60 pounds per square inch at the pump outlet. The pump outlet shall be fitted with a pressure gage.

(3) The power fire pump may be driven off a propulsion engine or other source of power and shall be connected to the fire main. This pump may also be connected to the bilge system so that it can serve as either a fire pump or a bilge pump.

§ 105.35–10 Fire main system.

(a) All vessels required to be provided with a power-driven fire pump shall also be provided with a fire main system including fire main, hydrants, hose, and nozzles.

(b) Fire hydrants, when required, shall be of sufficient number and so located that any part of the vessel may be reached with an effective stream of water from a single length of hose.

(c) All piping, valves, and fittings shall be in accordance with good marine practice and suitable for the purpose intended.

§ 105.35–15 Fire hose.

(a) One length of fire hose shall be provided for each fire hydrant required.

(b) Fire hose may be commercial fire hose or equivalent of not over 1 1/2-inch diameter or garden hose of not less than 5/8-inch nominal inside diameter. Hose shall be in one piece not less than 25 feet and not more than 50 feet in length.

(c) If 1 1/2 inch diameter fire hose is used after January 1, 1980, each length of hose must:

(1) Be lined commercial fire hose that conforms to Underwriters’ Laboratories, Inc. Standard 19 or Federal Specification ZZ-H-451E. A hose that bears the label of Underwriters’ Laboratories, Inc. as lined fire hose is accepted as conforming to this requirement; and

(2) Have a combination nozzle approved by the Commandant in accordance with §162.027–6 of this chapter.

(d) If garden hose is used, it shall be of a good commercial grade constructed of an inner rubber tube, plies of braided cotton reinforcement and an outer rubber cover or of equivalent material, and shall be fitted with a commercial garden hose nozzle of good grade bronze or equivalent metal.

(e) All fittings on fire hose shall be of brass, copper, or other suitable corrosion resistant metal.

(f) A length of fire hose shall be attached to each fire hydrant at all times.