§ 108.699 Substitution of life preservers.

A work vest may not be substituted for a required life preserver—
(a) For the life saving equipment requirements of this part; or
(b) For use during drills and emergencies.

§ 108.701 Sounding equipment.

Each self-propelled unit must have a mechanical or electronic sounding apparatus.

§ 108.703 Self-contained breathing apparatus.

(a) Each unit must be equipped with a self-contained breathing apparatus described in §108.497(a) to use as protection against gas leaking from a refrigeration unit if it is equipped with any refrigeration unit using—
(1) Ammonia to refrigerate any space with a volume of more than 20 cubic feet; or
(2) Fluorocarbons to refrigerate any space with a volume of more than 1000 cubic feet.

(b) The self-contained breathing apparatus required in §108.497 may be used for this purpose.

§ 108.705 Anchors, chains, wire rope, and hawser.

(a) Each unit must be fitted with anchors, chains, wire rope, and hawser in agreement with the standards established by the American Bureau of Shipping.

(b) Units which are equipped with anchors used as operational equipment are not required to have additional anchors if the operational anchors meet the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section.

§ 108.707 First aid kit.

Each unit must have a first-aid kit approved by the Mine Safety and Health Administration (Formerly Mining Enforcement and Safety Administration) of a size suitable for the number of persons allowed on board the unit that is stowed in a location that is accessible to persons on board.

§ 108.709 Litter.

Each unit must have a litter that is—
(a) Stowed in a location that is accessible to the persons on board; and
(b) Capable of being used on the type of helicopters serving the unit.


Each vessel on an international voyage which is required to carry a radiotelegraph or radiotelephone installation in accordance with Chapter IV of the Safety of Life at Sea Convention, 1960, must carry the International Code of Signals.

§ 108.715 Magnetic compass and gyrocompass.

(a) Each self-propelled unit in ocean or coastwise service must have a magnetic compass.

(b) Each self-propelled unit of 1,600 gross tons and over in ocean or coastwise service must have a gyrocompass in addition to the magnetic compass required in paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) Each unit that is required to have a gyrocompass must have an illuminated repeater for the gyrocompass that is at the main steering stand unless the gyrocompass is illuminated and is at the main steering stand.

§ 108.717 Radar.

Each self-propelled unit of 1,600 gross tons and over in ocean or coastwise service must have—
(a) A marine radar system for surface navigation; and
(b) Facilities on the bridge for plotting radar readings.

§ 108.719 Pilot boarding equipment.

(a) This section applies to each vessel that normally embarks or disembarks a pilot from a pilot boat or other vessel.