head of one foot of water for a period of two hours. At the end of this period, the container shall be removed, surface dried, opened, and examined for the presence of moisture. No seepage shall be allowed.


§ 160.054–6 Marking.

(a) Each approved first-aid kit shall be plainly and permanently marked with the following information: Name and address of the manufacturer, model number or other manufacturer’s identification of the kit, the Coast Guard approval number, and the words “First-Aid Kit—For Inflatable Life Rafts”. If the means for opening and re-closing are not self-evident, suitable directions shall be marked along the closure; such as, for the zip seal closure, an arrow, with the words “To Open, Lift by Thumb Nail”, and “To Close, Press Together Full Length”. The marking may be applied to the container by the silk screen process, using a suitable ink or paint, or may be applied by other means shown to be acceptable.

(b) [Reserved]

§ 160.054–7 Procedure for approval.

(a) Manufacturer’s plans. In order to obtain approval, submit detailed plans showing fully the construction, material specification, arrangement, and list of contents to the Commander of the Coast Guard District in which the factory is located. Each drawing shall have an identifying number, and date, and shall indicate the manufacturer’s symbol, trade name, or other identification for the first-aid kit. At the time of selection of the pre-approval sample, the manufacturer shall furnish the inspector four copies of all plans and specifications, corrected as may be required, for forwarding to the Commandant.

(b) Pre-approval sample. After the first drawings have been examined and found to appear satisfactory, a marine inspector will be detailed to the factory to observe the manufacturing facilities and methods and to obtain two samples, complete with contents which will be forwarded, prepaid by the manufacturer, to the Commandant for the necessary conditioning and tests in accordance with §160.054–5 to determine the suitability of the first-aid kit for use in conjunction with lifesaving equipment on board merchant vessels. The cost of the tests shall be borne by the manufacturer.


Subpart 160.055—Life Preservers, Unicellular Plastic Foam, Adult and Child, for Merchant Vessels

§ 160.055–1 Incorporation by reference.

(a) Specifications and Standards. This subpart makes reference to the following documents:

(1) Military Specifications:
   MIL-W-530F—Webbing, Textile, Cotton, General Purpose, Natural or in Colors.
   MIL-T-3530E—Thread and Twine; Mildew Resistant or Water Repellant Treated.
   MIL-W-17337D—Webbing, Woven, Nylon.
   MIL-C-43006D—Cloth and Strip Laminated, Vinyl-Nylon High Strength, Flexible.

(2) Federal Specifications:
   CCC-C-700G—Cloth, Coated, Vinyl, Coated (Artificial Leather).
   CCC-C-426D—Cloth, Drill, Cotton.

(3) Federal Standards:
   No. 191—Textile Test Methods.
   No. 995A—Color.
   No. 151A—Stitches, Seams, and Stitchings.

(4) Standards of ASTM:

(5) Coast Guard specification:
   164.015—Plastic Foam, Unicellular, Buoyant, Sheet and Molded Shape.

(b) Plans. The following plans, of the issue in effect on the date unicellular plastic foam life preservers are manufactured, form a part of this subpart:
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Each life preserver specified in this subpart is a:

(a) Standard, bib type, vinyl dip coated;

(1) Model 62, adult (for persons weighing over 90 pounds); or

(2) Model 66, child (for persons weighing less than 90 pounds); or

(b) Standard, bib type, cloth covered;

(1) Model 63, adult (for persons weighing over 90 pounds); or

(2) Model 67, child (for persons weighing less than 90 pounds); or

(c) Nonstandard, shaped type;

(1) Model,1 adult (for persons weighing over 90 pounds); or

(2) Model,1 child (for persons weighing less than 90 pounds).

1 A model designation for each nonstandard life preserver is to be assigned by the manufacturer. That designation must be different from any standard lifesaving device designation.