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## **Regulation 8**

### **Surveys of life-saving appliances and other equipment of cargo ships**

(a) The life-saving appliances and other equipment of cargo ships of 500 tons gross tonnage and upwards as referred to in paragraph (b) (i) shall be subject to the surveys specified below:

- (i) an initial survey before the ship is put in service;
- (ii) a renewal survey at intervals specified by the Administration but not exceeding 5 years, except where regulation 14 (b), (e), (f) and (g) is applicable;
- (iii) a periodical survey within three months before or after the second anniversary date or within three months before or after the third anniversary date of the Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate which shall take the place of one of the annual surveys specified in paragraph (a) (iv);
- (iv) an annual survey within 3 months before or after each anniversary date of the Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate;
- (v) an additional survey as prescribed for passenger ships in regulation 7 (b) (iii).

(b) The surveys referred to in paragraph (a) shall be carried out as follows;

(i) the initial survey shall include a complete inspection of the fire safety systems and appliances, life-saving appliances and arrangements except radio installations, the shipborne navigational equipment, means of embarkation for pilots and other equipment to which chapters II-1, II-2, III and V apply to ensure that they comply with the requirements of the present regulations, are in satisfactory condition and are fit for the service for which the ship is intended. The fire control plans, nautical publications, lights, shapes, means of making sound signals and distress signals shall also be subject to the above-mentioned survey for the purpose of ensuring that they comply with the requirements of the present regulations and, where applicable, the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea in force\*;

\* Refer to the Record of approved cargo ship safety equipment(SLS.14/Circ.1)

(ii) the renewal and periodical surveys shall include an inspection of the equipment referred to in paragraph (b) (i) to ensure that it complies with the relevant requirements of the present regulations and the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea in force, is in satisfactory condition and is fit for the service for which the ship is intended;

(iii) the annual survey shall include a general inspection of the equipment referred to in paragraph (b) (i) to ensure that it has been maintained in accordance with regulation 11 (a) and that it remains satisfactory for the service for which the ship is intended.

(c) the periodical and annual surveys referred to in paragraphs (a) (iii) and (a) (iv) shall be endorsed on the Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate.