

Marine Notice No. 64 of 2014

Notice To all operators of Irish registered cargo ships over 500 gross tonnage and all passenger ships on International voyages.

Recovery of persons from the water (SOLAS Chapter III, Regulation 17-1)

The Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport wishes to advise that, in accordance with SOLAS, Chapter III, Regulation 17-1 “Recovery of persons from the water”, Cargo Ships over 500 gross tonnage and all passenger ships on international voyages shall develop ship-specific plans and procedures for recovery of persons from the water.

The plans and procedures shall identify the equipment intended to be used for recovery purposes and measures to be taken to minimize the risk to shipboard personnel involved in recovery operations. Ships constructed before 1 July 2014 shall comply with this requirement by the first periodical or renewal safety equipment survey of the ship to be carried out after 1 July 2014, whichever comes first.

The plans and procedures shall be developed taking into account [MSC.1/Circ.1447](#) “Guidelines for the Development of Plans and Procedures for Recovery of Persons from the Water”; [MSC.1/Circ.1182](#) “Guide to Recovery Techniques”; and [MSC.1/Circ.1185/Rev.1](#) “Guide for Cold Water Survival”.

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