
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Fishing Vessels (Safety Provisions) Rules 1975

PART III

RULES FOR LIFE-SAVING APPLIANCES

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LIFE-SAVING APPLIANCES AND EQUIPMENT

Marking of lifeboats, Class C boats, inflatable boats and liferafts

86.—(1) On every lifeboat or Class C boat carried in any vessel to which these Rules apply there shall be clearly marked in permanent characters the dimensions of the lifeboat or Class C boat as the case may be and the number of persons which each is deemed fit to accommodate. The name and port of registry of the vessel to which the lifeboat or Class C boat belongs shall be painted on each side of the boat.

(2) Every liferaft which complies with Part I of Schedule 9 to these Rules and which is carried in any vessel to which these Rules apply shall be clearly marked in permanent characters with the number of persons which the liferaft is deemed fit to accommodate. Such number of persons shall also be clearly marked in permanent characters on the valise or other container in which the liferaft is contained when not in use. Every such liferaft shall also bear—

- (a) the manufacturer's name and liferaft serial number; and
- (b) the vessel's name and port of registry; or
- (c) the vessel's fishing number; or
- (d) a serial number allocated by the owner of the vessel or an organisation hiring or controlling the distribution of liferafts to fishing vessels which shall enable the vessel on which the liferaft is for the time being carried to be readily identified.

(3) On every liferaft which complies with Part II of Schedule 9 to these Rules and which is carried in any vessel to which these Rules apply there shall be marked the name and port of registry of the vessel in which it is carried and the number of persons the liferaft is deemed fit to carry.

(4) On every inflatable boat which complies with Schedule 8 to these Rules and which is carried in any vessel to which these Rules apply there shall be marked—

- (a) the number of persons the inflatable boat is deemed fit to accommodate; and
- (b) the date of manufacture, maker's name or trade mark and serial number of the inflatable boat; and
- (c) the name, port of registry and fishing vessel number of the vessel to which the inflatable boat belongs.