

GF10 Ventilation of machinery spaces

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The International Code of Safety for Ships Using Gases or Other Low-Flashpoint Fuels (IGF Code), MSC Res.391(95), at paragraph 13.5.1 states:

The ventilation system for machinery spaces containing gas-fuelled consumers shall be independent of all other ventilation systems.

Interpretation

Spaces enclosed in the boundaries of machinery spaces (such as purifier's room, engine-room workshops and stores) are considered an integral part of machinery spaces containing gas-fuelled consumers and, therefore, their ventilation system does not need to be independent of the one of machinery spaces.

Note:

1. This Unified Interpretation is to be uniformly implemented by IACS Societies on ships contracted for construction on or after 1 January 2018.

2. The “contracted for construction” date means the date on which the contract to build the vessel is signed between the prospective owner and the shipbuilder. For further details regarding the date of “contract for construction”, refer to IACS Procedural Requirement (PR) No. 29.

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