Offshore Special Regulations

OSR 4.07 Flashlights and Searchlights

A submission from FFVoile

Purpose or Objective

To delete the requirement of powering by boat's batteries

To require a searchlight available at all time

Proposal

MoMu0,1,2,3	a) a searchlight, suitable for searching for a person overboard at night and for collision avoidance <u>instantly available for use on deck and in the cockpit</u>
MoMu0,1,2,3	b) a flashlight in addition to 4.07 a)
Mu3,4	c) the watertight flashlight in OSR 4.07 b) shall be stowed in the grab bag or emergency container
MoMu0	d) a high-intensity heavy duty searchlight powered by the boat's batteries , instantly available for use on deck and in the cockpit

Current Position

As above

Reasons

- 1 Even if OSR 2.04.1 d) says that all equipment required by OSR shall be readily accessible, as 4.07d) precise "instantly available for use on the deck or the cockpit", it should be the same in 4.07 a)
- 2 Having a searchlight instantly available near the crew on watch allows to react promptly in case of MOD, risk of collision, ...
- 3 The LED devices use less power, and can have long life batteries.
- 4 If powered by the boat's batteries, need a long cable to move on the deck, with danger due to another cable, and need connections which can be corroded
