

Offshore Special Regulations

Appendix G – Training – Liferafts & Lifejackets (theory)

A submission from the Chairman on behalf of the Training Working Party.

Purpose or Objective

Update the Appendix, which was first published in 2002.

Proposal

Amend to read:

Session 11 Liferafts and Lifejackets (theory)

11.1 Liferafts (theory)

11.1.2 knowledge of liferaft standards: SOLAS, ISAF and ORC and ISO 9650:1 Type 1 Group A plus OSR requirements.

11.1.3 care and servicing of liferafts, stowage. In the event of a yacht capsizing and then inverting in circumstances in which survival is dependent on liferaft availability, it is vital that every effort is made to ensure that a liferaft remains readily accessible and capable of being deployed for use quickly and easily.

11.1.4 liferaft emergency packs

11.1.5 grab bag contents and application

11.1.6 two key elements in combating liferaft capsize – drogue, ballast water pockets

11.1.7 the capsize mechanism and the re-righting procedure

11.1.8 when and how to launch a liferaft

11.1.9 protecting a liferaft in the minimum time it is alongside after launch

11.1.10 boarding a liferaft if possible dry: use of dry suits if possible

11.1.11 boarding a liferaft from the water: importance of boarding ramp and grab lines

11.1.12 crew organisation both before boarding and **priority of actions** within liferaft
~~signalling for help, watchkeeping, damage repair, medical, water, food, keeping up morale, psychology of survival.~~

~~11.1.13 knowledge of physiological shock of cold water and hypothermia (see session 8) and its effect on human performance in tasks like liferaft operation and survival.~~

11.1.14 use of SART (optional in grab bag).

Current Position

As above.