

**Offshore Special Regulations**

Appendix G – Training – Supplement One – SOLAS Convention Chapter V

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

“ 2 SOLAS Convention Chapter V

Regulation 33 **Distress Situations** (~~replaces old Regulation 10~~) states:-

“The master of a ship at sea which is in a position to be able to provide assistance, on receiving a signal from any source that persons are in distress at sea, is bound to proceed with all speed to their assistance, if possible informing them or the SAR service that the ship is doing so. If the ship receiving the distress alert is unable or, in the special circumstances of the case, considers it unreasonable or unnecessary to proceed to their assistance, the master must enter in the log-book the reason for failing to proceed to the assistance of the persons in distress and, taking into account the recommendations of the Organization++, inform the appropriate SAR service accordingly.

++Refer to the immediate action to be taken by each ship on receipt of a distress message in the IAMSAR Manual, as it may be amended.”

Reference to the original text and its context is strongly recommended.

**Add:**

**Regulation 34 – Safe navigation**

**1.** *Prior to proceeding to sea, the master shall ensure that the intended voyage has been planned using the appropriate nautical charts and nautical publications for the area concerned, taking into account the guidelines and recommendations developed by the Organization.[IMO]*

**2.** *The voyage plan shall identify a route which:*

**2.1** *takes into account any relevant ships' routing systems*

**2.2** *ensures sufficient sea room for the safe passage of the ship throughout the voyage*

**2.3** *anticipates all known navigational hazards and adverse weather conditions; and*

**2.4** *takes into account the marine environmental protection measures that apply, and avoids, as far as possible, actions and activities which could cause damage to the environment*

Current Position

As above.

Reason \_\_\_\_\_