

Submission: **SR23-12**

Offshore Special Regulation 5.03 – Personal Location Lights

Rescue laser flares as personal equipment

A submission from the Sten Edholm, Special Regulations Sub-Committee

Purpose or Objective

To propose a new regulation to include rescue laser flares as personal crew equipment.

Proposal

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5.03 b) *It is recommended for each crew member to carry a rescue laser flare.*

Current Position

5.03 a) Two packs of miniflares or two personal location lights (either SOLAS or strobe) shall be provided for each crew member: one should be attached to, or carried on, the person when on deck at night.

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Reason

Rescue laser flares are now commercially available at reasonable cost. They are efficient both in daylight and at night.

This follows recommendations from the Rambler accident in the Fastnet Race 2011.