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TITLE	<b>AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974, AS AMENDED.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ch. III Life saving appliance and arrangements</li> </ul>			

Attention is drawn to owners and operators of passenger vessels and cargo vessels above 500 gross tons.

Subject to paragraph (2) and (3) of IMO Resolution. MSC 201(81) the following amendments to the International Convention for the safety of life at sea, 1974, as amended will come into force on **01 July 2010.**

Amendments to SOLAS Regulation III/7 – Personal life-saving appliance

The following amendments to SOLAS Reg. III/7 for carriage requirements of lifejacket has been added:

**Regulation 7 – Personal life-saving appliances**

In paragraph 2.1, the following new subparagraphs .1 and .2 are inserted:

“.1 for passenger ships on voyages less than 24 h, a number of **infant** lifejackets equal to at least 2.5% of the number of passengers on board shall be provided;

.2 for passenger ships on voyages 24 h or greater, **infant** lifejackets shall be provided for each infant on board;”

and the existing subparagraphs .1 and .2 are renumbered as subparagraphs .3 and .4. The word “and” is moved from the end of renumbered subparagraph .3 to the end of renumbered subparagraph .4.

The following new subparagraph .5 is inserted after the renumbered subparagraph .4 of paragraph 2.1:

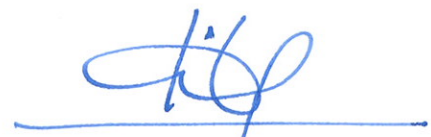
“.5 if the adult lifejackets provided are not designed to fit persons weighing up to 140 kg and with a chest girth of up to 1,750 mm, a sufficient number of suitable accessories shall be available on board to allow them to be secured to such persons.”

Note that subparagraphs 1 and 2 are for passenger ships, subparagraph 5 is for passenger and cargo vessels



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