Merchant Shipping Notice   MSN-0007

2000 AMENDMENTS TO SOLAS II-2/13

Emergency Escape Breathing Devices (EEBDs) in Machinery Spaces*
Notice to Recognized Organizations, Deputy Registrar, Resident Agents and those concerned

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1. **SCOPE**

    1.1. Considering SOLAS II-2/13 establishes a clear criteria for determining the minimum number of EEBDs to be allocated within accommodation spaces and

    1.2. Noting that there is no specific minimum number prescribed for machinery spaces and that this could create uncertainties among parties,
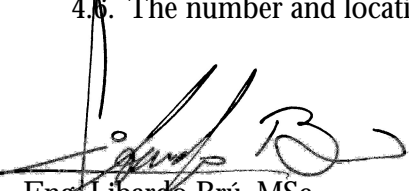
2. **ENTRY INTO FORCE**

    2.1. This Technical Note shall take effect as to the date of issue.

3. **APPLICATION**

    3.1. The present Technical Note shall be implemented by all Recognized Organizations, Deputy Registrars, Resident Agents, IMMARBE (HO).

4. **ACTIONS REQUESTED**

    4.1. Ships to which amendments apply shall be provided with the minimum number of EEBDs described in this Technical Note upon entry into force of the said amendments (1 July 2002).

    4.2. The number of EEBDs to be carried within machinery spaces shall be not less than the total number of persons during watch.

    4.3. A minimum of two devices shall be carried in the engine room of ships provided with Un-attended Machinery Spaces. (UMS)

    4.4. Emergency Escape Breathing Devices shall be located in way of the escape routes, control spaces and/or workshops where practicable or at the foot of escape ladders other than the escape trunks.

    4.5. In addition to any spare designated for accommodations spaces, a spare EEBD solely for the machinery space shall be carried onboard in addition to the numbers described under 4.2, 4.3

    4.6. The number and location of these devices shall be indicated in the fire control plan.

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* Refer to MSC/Circ.849; Fire Safety Systems Code