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TO: ALL SHIPOWNERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS AND OFFICERS OF MERCHANT SHIPS, AND AUTHORIZED CLASSIFICATION SOCIETIES

SUBJECT: Operational/Safety Checklist for SOLAS 74/78 Requirements.

Reference:

- (a) Marine Notice 5-034-1 and Form MSD 338
- (b) SOLAS 2001, Consolidated Edition, as Amended by MSC.99(73)
- (c) International Life-Saving Appliances (LSA Code)
- (d) International Code for Fire Safety Systems (FSS Code)

PURPOSE:

This Notice provides a reproducible copy of this Operational/Safety Checklist in the MI-300 to facilitate the inspection of safety equipment as required by the 1974 SOLAS Convention, Chapter III, Regulation 20.6 and 20.7 and other parts of SOLAS. The Administration strongly recommends the use of this format or a company sponsored planned maintenance system.

APPLICABILITY:

This Notice applies to Masters as it is their responsibility to ensure that all safety equipment, including lifesaving and firefighting gear, is always in good condition and available for immediate use. Masters should also be aware that port State control inspections are focusing greater attention to the condition of lifesaving and firefighting equipment, based on the fact that these areas continue to generate the greatest number of deficiencies on the average for all vessels inspected by port State authorities.

REQUIREMENTS:

1.0 Master's Responsibility

Immediately upon assuming command and in accordance with Maritime Regulation 7.41(9), the Master should appoint one of his officers as the designated safety officer to make the weekly and monthly checks of equipment as required by SOLAS. If used, the form is to be signed by the designated safety officer and reviewed by the Master at the end of each month.

2.0 Record Retention and Availability

- 2.1 The signed copy should be retained in the Master/safety officer's file and should be made available to our nautical inspector when he boards the vessel to inspect. The Master can also show this report to any port State inspector or official that may visit his vessel as evidence of maintenance of equipment.
- 2.2 The master should send the original to the owner/operator at convenient intervals to assure shore side management that all of the equipment is being maintained in serviceable condition and no delays should be expected due to port State intervention with respect to any of these items.

3.0 Corrective Action

Should corrective action require company assistance, such as furnishing spare parts, new equipment or arranging shoreside labor, the master should immediately requisition an order to maintain operational readiness at all times and to avoid being cited for any deficiencies. We are fully confident that owners will respond to and cooperate with the master by taking immediate corrective action.

4.0 Benefits

- 4.1 If each master adopts a positive attitude and insists that his designated safety officer conduct these examinations in an effective manner, all equipment can be maintained defect-free and the master, with complete confidence, can welcome inspection of this equipment by any inspection body.
- 4.2 The master may also find the checklist to be valuable reference material for utilization during general safety meetings held with the officers and crew.

5.0 Log Book Entry

The date of these inspections shall be entered into the Log Book as required by SOLAS.

6.0 General

- 6.1 A rope ladder or other approved device should be provided as an embarkation means for life rafts required by SOLAS Regulation III/31.1.4.
- 6.2 Safety equipment that is marked with a date of manufacture rather than an expiry date should be renewed four years after the date of manufacture.
- 6.3 MSC Circular 1047 (Annex II) contains guidelines for the monthly inspection of immersion suits and anti-exposure suits. It is recommended that these guidelines be used in the absence of inspection guidelines by the equipment manufacturer.

The Operational/Safety Checklist form (MSD 338) is available for downloading from our website www.register-iri.com. To access the form from our website click on "Forms and Publications," then "Complete Listing of Publications and Forms Available," then MSD 338, Operational/Safety Checklist SOLAS 74/78.

ANNEX I

OPERATIONAL/SAFETY CHECKLIST SOLAS 74/78

MONTH OF: _____						
SHIP MAINTENANCE CHECK LIST 1 – SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (APPLICABLE TO ALL VESSELS WITH A VALID SAFETY MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE)						
Ship's Name:				O.N.:		
Operator/Agent:						
Master:			Safety Officer:			
	DATE OF REFERENCED AUDIT(S):					
ITEM	SOLAS 74/78 REFERENCE	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
1. Valid Safety Management Certificate on board	Chapter IX, Annex I Regulation 6.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Evidence of a Safety Management System on board	Chapter IX, Annex I Regulation 5.0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Evidence of internal audits being conducted	Chapter IX, Annex I Regulation 5.0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Deficiencies and non-conformities reported to DPA, RO and Administration	Chapter IX, Annex I Regulation 5.0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Evidence of Company assisting in correcting deficiencies	Chapter IX, Annex I Regulation 5.0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Master aware of his responsibilities under the ISM Code	Chapter IX, Annex I Regulation 5.0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CHECK LIST 2 – PRIMARY LIFESAVING EQUIPMENT/SURVIVAL CRAFT						
	WEEKLY DATE OF EXAMS:					
ITEM	SOLAS/LSA CODE REFERENCES	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
1. Operational Readiness	III / 20.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Survival Craft	III / 10-17 LSA Code Chapter IV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Required Type & Number Per Certificate	III / 20, 23-24 or III / 28, 31, LSA 4.1.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Embarkation Area, Lighting, No Obstructions		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Davits/Launching Gear		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Instructions Posted		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Lifeboats	LSA 4.4 – 4.9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Condition	LSA 4.4.8	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Required Equipment		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Liferafts	LSA 4.1 – 4.3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Condition	III / 24 LSA 4.1.5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Stowage/Launching Gear		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Required Equipment		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Rescue boats	LSA 5.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Condition	III / 14 & 17 LSA 5.1 – 6.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Required Equipment		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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6. Communication	III / 6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- VHF Radiotelephone	III / 6.2 & IV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- EPIRB/Batteries		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Radar Transponder	or	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Location/Mounting	III / 6.2.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Visual Signals	III / 6.3 & LSA 3.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Emergency Alarms	III / 6.4 & LSA 7.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Line-Throwing Apparatus	III / 18 & LSA 7.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Training/Drills	III / 12, 30 & 35	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Maintenance/Instructions	III / 36	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Muster List & Emergency Instructions	III / 37	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

CHECK LIST 3 – PERSONAL LIFESAVING EQUIPMENT/SURVIVAL CRAFT

ITEM	MONTHLY DATE OF EXAMS:					
	SOLAS 74/78 REFERENCE	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
1. Operational Readiness	III / 20.7	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Lifebuoys	III / Regulation 7.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Required Number	III / 22.1 or	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Locations	32.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Condition		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Markings/Reflective Material		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Quick Release	LSA 2.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Lights/Smoke		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Lifelines		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Lifejackets	Chapter III/Regulation 7.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Required Number	III / 22.2 or	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Locations	32.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Condition		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Markings/Reflective Material	LSA 2.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Lights/Whistles		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Immersion Suits	III / 7.3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Required Number	III / 22.3 or	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Locations	32.3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Condition (See attached Annex II)	LSA 2.3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

CHECK LIST 4 – FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT

ITEM	DATE OF MONTHLY EXAMS OR WEEKLY DRILLS:					
	SOLAS 74/78 REFERENCE	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
1. Ready Availability	II / 14.2.1.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Operation of Dampers, Vents, Fans & Remote Control	II / (various)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Firemain Integrity (weekly)	II-2 / 10.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Pumps (Operations)	II-2/ 10.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Stations (Fully Outfitted)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. Fixed Extinguishing Systems	II-2 / 10.4-10.9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Carbon Dioxide/Halon (Proof of Biennial Servicing & Annual Inspection)	II-2 / 10.4-10.9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Foam (Proof of Periodic Sample Testing)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Portable Extinguishers	II-2 / 10.3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Number	II-2 / 10.3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Location		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Fire Detection Systems	II-2 / (various)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Operational	II-2 / (various)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Alarms		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Fire Fighters Outfits	II-2 / 10.10	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Required Number	II-2 / 10.10	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Complete		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Fire Control Plans	II-2 / 15.2.4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. International Shore Connection	II-2 / 10.2.1.7	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Vertical Fire Zone Boundaries	II-2 / (various)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Intact	II-2 / (various)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Fire Doors		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. General Fire Prevention	II-2 / 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Housekeeping/Stowage/Flammable Store	II-2 / 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Instructions Posted		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

CHECK LIST 5 – NAVIGATION SAFETY EQUIPMENT

		MONTHLY DATE OF EXAMS:				
ITEM	SOLAS 74/78 REFERENCE	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
1. Navigation Equipment	V / 16, 19.2 & 20	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Operational Radar, ARPA, Gyro, RDF, Echo Depth sounder, VDR, etc.	V / 16, 19.2 & 20	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Charts, Notices to Mariners, Publications Up-to-date, Log Books	V / 27 & 28	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Pilot Transfer Arrangements	V / 23	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

CHECK LIST 6 – POLLUTION PREVENTION EQUIPMENT

ITEM	MARPOL 73/78 REFERENCE	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
1. Oil Record Book(s) on Board	Annex I / Reg. 20 and/or Annex II / Reg. 9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Complete	Annex I / Reg. 20 and/or Annex II / Reg. 9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Up-to-date		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Discharge Monitoring Equipment	Annex I / Reg. 16 & Annex II / Reg. 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Sewage Discharge	Annex IV	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Trash Discharge	Annex V	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Emissions Control	Annex VI	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REMARKS:

CORRECTIVE ACTION NEEDED:

SIGNED: _____ (Master) _____ (Ship Safety Officer)
DATE: _____

ANNEX II

GUIDELINES FOR MONTHLY SHIPBOARD INSPECTION OF IMMERSION SUITS AND ANTI-EXPOSURE SUITS BY SHIPS' CREWS

When carrying out the inspection of immersion suits and anti-exposure suits required by SOLAS regulation III/20.7, the following procedure is recommended.

- 1 Check closures on storage bag as well as general condition of bag for ease of removal of suit. Ensure donning instructions are legible. Confirm that suit is the type and size identified on the bag.
- 2 Lay the suit on a clean, flat surface. Make sure the suit is dry inside and out. Visually check for damage. Rips, tears or punctures should be repaired in accordance with manufacturer's instructions by a suitable repair station*.
- 3 Check the zipper by sliding it up and down to check for ease of operation. Using lubricant recommended by the manufacturer, lubricate the front and back of the zipper and the slide fastener. If the zipper is not functional, the suit should be removed from service and discarded or returned to the manufacturer or a suitable repair station.
- 4 If fitted, check inflatable head support and/or buoyancy ring for damage and ensure that it is properly attached. Check inflation hose(s) for deterioration. At least quarterly, the head support/buoyancy ring should be inflated and tested for leaks (this test does not apply to integral inflatable lifejackets). Leaks should be repaired in accordance with manufacturers' instructions by a suitable repair station.
- 5 Check retro reflective tape for condition and adhesion. Replace if necessary.
- 6 If fitted, check whistle and expiration date of light and battery.
- 7 Replace suits in the bag with zippers fully opened.
- 8 The opportunity should be taken at such monthly inspections for the crew to practice donning the immersion suits or anti-exposure suits.

* A "suitable repair station" is one authorized by the suit manufacturer and/or acceptable to the Administration.