

Human Environment and Transport Inspectorate Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment

Instruction to RO

No. 8 - GMDSS requirements for radio installations on board Dutch flag vessels.

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In accordance with article 40 of the Ships decree 2004, a ship for which a passenger ship safety certificate or a cargo ship safety certificate is required shall satisfy a.o. the requirements of chapter IV of the SOLAS Convention applicable to that ship. Furthermore a ship for which a cargo ship radio safety certificate is required shall satisfy the requirements of chapter IV and, with regard to the radio equipment on board group life-saving appliances, chapter III of the SOLAS Convention applicable to that ship. In this respect the Recognized Organization shall ascertain that the installation of GMDSS radio equipment complies with the requirements of COMSAR/Circ.32 (attached). Where par.1.3.1. of COMSAR/Circ.32 refers to approved diagrams, arrangements and drawings, this shall mean approved by the Recognized Organization.

In advance of the withdrawal of NSI circ.34 rev.1 upon the introduction of the second part of the Ships Decree 2004, this instruction supersedes all requirements regarding radiocommunications in NSI circ.34 rev.1.