

This equipment list is for your guidance. For full details refer to the National Standard for Commercial Vessels.

Items required	Vessels affected				
Life rafts and rescue boats					
Inflatable coastal life rafts 100%					
(Note: Coastal life rafts may be replaced by open reversible inflatable life rafts for 3C operations where a risk assessment has determined that the safety of crew and passengers would not be adversely affected. See NSCV Part C subsection 7A 5.4.1, which lists those factors which should be taken into account when conducting a risk assessment).	<25m, unless <15m and level flotation has been fitted as per NSCV Part C Section 6B				
Survival craft and rescue boats	≥25m as required by sections 33 to 35 of Marine Order 25 (Equipment — life-saving)				
Anti-exposure suit of appropriate size 100% rescue boat crew	≥25m and continuously engaged on voyages in operational areas with a monthly mean water temperature of 15°C or less				
Lifebuoys					
Light and smoke signals are to be self-activating and ea	ch lifebuoy assumed to support 2 persons				
8 minimum—2 with lights and smoke signals, 2 with lights and 2 with buoyant lines	≥60m				
6 minimum—2 with lights and smoke signals, 1 with light and 2 with buoyant lines	≥45m <60m				
4 minimum—2 with lights and smoke signals and 2 with buoyant lines	≥25m <45m				
2 minimum—1 with light and 1 with buoyant line	≥15m <25m				
1 minimum with light	<15m, unless <10m and carries 1 person only, or <6m and level flotation has been fitted as per NSCV Part C Section 6B.				
Lifejackets					
Lifejacket light to be self-activating	All				
Coastal-lifejacket with a light 100% Distress signals	All				
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406MHz EPIRB—until 1 January 2021 406MHz EPIRB—from 1 January 2021	>2nm from land must carry a class 2 or class 3 EPIRB ≥12 m long and >2nm from land must carry a class 2				
(Note : this is in addition to any EPIRB carried as part of a life raft or survival craft.)	EPIRB fitted in a category 1 bracket <12 m long and >2nm from land that do not meet the level flotation criteria mentioned in NSCV Section 6 - must carry a class 2 EPIRB, fitted in a category 1 bracket; or All other 3C vessels <12 m long and >2nm from land - must carry either a class 2 EPIRB or a class 3 EPIRB.				
3 parachute distress rockets	All				
2 red hand-held flares	All				
1 hand-held orange smoke signal	All				
Onboard communications and alarm systems					
General emergency alarm system	≥25m				



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Emergency electrical installation and equipment					
Self-contained source of electrical power, either a dedicated battery or diesel generator, to provide emergency power to all key systems for 3hrs (See NSCV Part C Section 5B)	All				
Emergency lighting (See NSCV Part C Section 5B)	≥500GT				
Battery-operated torches for crew 100%	All				
Navigation equipment Vessels 35m or more in length shall comply with MO27					
Clock (may be included in other navigation equipment)	<35m				
Pair of binoculars fitted with neck strap and carrying case	<35m				
Echo sounder	<35m				
Signaling light	All				
International Code flags appropriate to vessel activities	<35m				
Nautical publications	<35m				
ECDIS / ECS / Paper charts and backup for electronics	<35m				
GNSS	<35m where plotting equipment (ECDIS, ECS, etc) is fitted				
Radar reflector	<12m				
Speed and distance indicator	<35m				
Compass (card 75mm minimum diameter)	<10m				
Compass (card 100mm minimum diameter)	≥10m <20m				
Compass (card 125mm minimum diameter)	≥20m <35m				
Communication system to emergency steering	<35m				



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Miscellaneous equipment					
Windlass, anchors and cables (See NSCV Part C Section 7D for anchoring requirements)	All				
Sea anchor	<10m, unless capable of anchoring in deep water				
Hawsers and warps	All				
Scale F First Aid Kit as per NSCV Part C Section 7A Annex H <i>Note</i> : GES 2015/01 may also be applicable to vessels operating in C, D or E waters	All				
Logbook (See MO504)	All				
HF Radio with DSC/Satellite communication system/Satellite telephone	When operating beyond LCS areas of coverage				
VHF Radio with DSC	All				
Current edition of the "Marine VHF Radio Operators Handbook"	≥7.5m				
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Navigation lights, day shapes and flags as per the Prevention of Collision at Sea Regulations (MO30)	All				
Sound signal	<12m				
Whistle	≥12m				
Bell (300mm minimum diameter)	≥20m				
Gong	≥100m				
Rudder angle indicator	≥15m				
Collar repair kit and air pump	All Inflatables/RIBs				
Bilge pumps (see Table 1)	All				
Approved safe means of access (See NSCV Part C Section 1 Clause 6.16 and Table 33)	All				

Note: For Fire Fighting Equipment complying with the NSCV, please refer to the NSCV Part C Section 4.



Table 1: Bilge Pumps

	Manual pumps with discharge capacity		Power pumps with discharge capacity			
Measured length of vessel	Number	Capacity in kilolitre/hour	Number	Capacity in kilolitre/hour		
<5m	Bailing bucket acceptable for open boats provided the bilge is readily accessible					
≥5m <7.5m	1	4.0	-	-		
≥7.5m <10m	2	4.0	-	-		
≥10m <12.5m	1	5.5	1	5.5		
≥12.5m <17.5m	1	5.5	1	11.0		
≥17.5m <20m	1	8.0	1	11.0		
≥20m <25m	-	-	2	11.0		
≥25m <35m	-	-	2	15.0		