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1. Resolution MSC. 317 (89) introduced new requirements under SOLAS regulation III/1.5 for lifeboat release and retrieval systems. The requirements apply to Lifeboat on-load release mechanisms installed on all ships (new and existing cargo and passenger ships). These requirements entered into force on 01st January, 2013, and the requirements took effect on 01st July, 2014.
2. The Directorate has since received several requests for clarification regarding the applicability of the requirements of SOLAS Chapter III Regulation 1.5 for Lifeboat on-load release and retrieval systems to Indian Flag Vessels.
3. SOLAS Chapter III, Regulation 1.5 states:- ***“Notwithstanding paragraph 4.2, for all ships, not later than the first scheduled dry-docking after 1 July 2014, but not later than 1 July 2019, lifeboat on-load release mechanisms not complying with paragraphs 4.4.7.6.4 to 4.4.7.6.6 of the Code shall be replaced with equipment that complies with the Code”***
4. The Guidelines for the evaluation and replacement of lifeboat release and retrieval systems have been provided in **MSC.1/Circ.1392**. by the IMO.
5. The issue has been examined in this Directorate and it is hereby clarified that the SOLAS Chapter III, Regulation 1.5 is applicable to all Lifeboat on-load release and retrieval mechanisms fitted on board Indian Vessels and must comply with the SOLAS, LSA Code as applicable ***not later than the first scheduled dry-docking after 1 July 2014, and in any case not later than 1 July 2019.***
6. Non compliant Lifeboat on-load release and retrieval mechanisms have to be replaced/modified or dealt with as per the guidelines given in **MSC.1/Circ.1392** as applicable.

7. It is further clarified that the requirements of SOLAS Chapter III, Regulation 1.5 do not apply to the release and retrieval mechanisms of Rescue Boats fitted on board vessels.

This is issued with the approval of the competent authority and comes into effect from the date of issue of this circular.

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