PART 10

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STABILITY AND STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Section 10.1 – Stability

10.1.1 It is the responsibility of the Builder/Designer of any vessel built in accordance with these Standards to ensure that adequate margins of stability are provided for the safe operation of the vessel.

10.1.2 All vessels should be provided with approved stability information to the satisfaction of the MCA appointed Surveyor for the conditions of service for which the vessel is intended.

10.1.3 The approved stability information should contain the information and criteria that are detailed in the MCA’s “Code of Safe Working Practice for the Construction and Use of 15m Length Overall to Less Than 24m Registered Length Fishing Vessels”.

10.1.4 All vessels are to comply with the minimum stability criteria for the conditions of service for which they are intended.

10.1.5 Information in the form of trim and stability booklets should be available onboard and accessible to those on watch.

Section 10.2 – Statutory requirements

10.2.1 The requirements for the following safety equipment are to be as listed in the MCA “Code of Safe Working Practice for the Construction and Use of 15m Length Overall to Less Than 24m Registered Length Fishing Vessels”.

a) Life-saving appliances;
b) Distress signals/pyrotechnics;
c) Fire-fighting appliances;
d) Radio equipment;
e) Navigation equipment;
f) Medical stores.

10.2.2 The specification, type, location on vessel, etc., for statutory equipment is to be to the requirements of the MCA appointed Surveyor.