

Seafish Construction Standards: Hatch drains

This notice should be read in conjunction with the Seafish Construction Standards for New Fishing Vessels Less Than 15m Length Overall (September 2012 edition). Where information in this notice contradicts the Standards, this notice is to take priority.

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Summary

This Seafish Information Note provides an amendment to the Seafish Construction Standards for New Fishing Vessels Less than 15m length overall, in relation to hatch drains. The Note replaces section 3.1.13 of the Standards.

Hatch drains

With reference to Section 3.1 of the Seafish Construction Standards for vessels less than 15m length overall, the following amendment shall apply in relation to hatch drains:

- 1) Where drain pipes are fitted from recessed channels of flush hatches to discharge at ship sides, shut-off valves should be fitted at the hull side and must be accessible. The requirement for a non-return valve shall not apply to hatch drains.
- 2) The shut-off valve may be omitted if the hatch drain discharge is located higher than 300mm above the waterline and the drain pipe is of equivalent material and thickness to that of the hull, and permanently moulded (or welded) in place without separable joints.

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