PILOT TRANSFER ARRANGEMENTS

Required boarding arrangements for pilots

1 The Maritime Safety Committee, at its eighty-eighth session (24 November to 3 December 2010), approved amendments to SOLAS regulation V/23 which, inter alia, include amendments to the Required Boarding Arrangements for Pilots (resolution MSC.308(88)). In addition, the twenty-seventh regular session of the Assembly, in December 2011, adopted resolution A.1045(27) on Pilot transfer arrangements.

2 These changes required amendments to the poster previously circulated under cover of MSC/Circ.568/Rev.1. The attached revised poster incorporates the most significant changes adopted by MSC 88.

3 The Maritime Safety Committee, at its ninetieth session (16 to 25 May 2012), concurred with the recommendation of the fifty-seventh session of the NAV Sub-Committee regarding Required boarding arrangements for pilots (6 to 10 June 2011) and approved a revision of the poster.

4 Member Governments are requested to bring the revised poster to the attention of their pilots, seafarers, shipowners, ship operators and others concerned with pilot boarding arrangements.
ANNEX

REQUIRED BOARDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR PILOT

In accordance with SOLAS Regulation V/23 & IMO Resolution A1045(27)

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RIGGING FOR FREEBOARDS OF 9 METRES OR LESS

HANDHELD STANCHIONS
Max. Diam. 32mm
Max. 320cm Above Waterline

COMBINATION ARRANGEMENT FOR SHIPS WITH A FREEBOARD OF MORE THAN 9 METRES WHEN NO SIDE DOOR AVAILABLE

PILOT LADDER
Most suitable if a ship’s ladder cannot be used.

SHOFLADERS
No more than 5 per side. Not recommended for use in emergency situations.

SIDE ROPE
No more than 3. All continuous against ship’s side.

ALL STEPS
Must comply with requirements as to height and spacing.

STERN ROW

PILOT LADDER WINCH REEL

A pilot ladder winch reel should be located on a bridge clear of obstructions.

PILOT LADDER

Stern row

PILOT

Handhels
Max. 30cm
Max. 80cm

All steps

ACCOMMODATION LADDER

The lower end should be a minimum of 3m above the sea.

Ladder should be adjustable to steps size.

PILOT LADDER

Required by FLR

Handhels
Max. 30cm
Max. 80cm

PILOT

Handhels
Max. 30cm
Max. 80cm

Obstructions

Max. 80cm

Max. 50cm

Min. 100cm

Min. 100cm