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**Boats with a length of the hull less
than 8 m with a motor power rating
of 15 kW and greater**

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d'une puissance moteur assignée supérieure ou égale à 15 kW*

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Foreword

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The main changes are as follows:

- Type VII and VIII boats now distinguished only by design category, not by power;
- definitions updated to reflect current practice;
- Type VIII (category) boats are permitted a greater range of heel angle to achieve the minimum required righting moment;
- to reflect the increase in power and speed, in-water performance tests may be conducted at less than full power and in smaller waves;
- crew are recommended not to sit on tubes when operating at high-speed or in waves higher than 2 m, regardless of their design category;
- addition of requirements for design and testing of lifting points.

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Introduction

The ISO 6185 series is subdivided into four parts as shown below. It excludes:

- boats with a tube consisting of a single buoyancy chamber;
- boats < 1 800 N buoyancy;
- boats made from unsupported materials > 12 kN inflated buoyancy and powered by engines > 4,5 kW.

It is not applicable to:

- aquatic toys;
- inflatable liferafts.

ISO 6185-1:

- Type I Boats with $L_H < 8$ m propelled exclusively by manual means.
- Type II Powered boats with $L_H < 8$ m with a power $\leq 4,5$ kW.
- Type III Canoes and kayaks with $L_H < 8$ m.
- Type IV Sail boats with $L_H < 8$ m with a sail area ≤ 6 m².

ISO 6185-2:

- Type V Powered boats with $L_H < 8$ m with power $4,5 \text{ kW} < P \leq 15 \text{ kW}$
- Type VI Sail boats with $L_H < 8$ m with sail area > 6 m².

This document (ISO 6185-3):

- Type VII Powered boats with $L_H < 8$ m in design category C or D with power ≥ 15 kW.
- Type VIII Powered boats with $L_H < 8$ m in design category B with power ≥ 15 kW.

ISO 6185-4:

- Type IX Powered boats (design categories C and D) with $8 \text{ m} < L_H \leq 24$ m with power ≥ 15 kW.
- Type X Powered boats (design category B) with $8 \text{ m} < L_H \leq 24$ m with power ≥ 75 kW.

NOTE ISO 6185-4 applies only to rigid inflatable boats with $8 \text{ m} < L_H \leq 24$ m. For non-rigid inflatables with a length of hull in this range, this document can be applied.

Inflatable boats —

Part 3: Boats with a length of the hull less than 8 m with a motor power rating of 15 kW and greater

1 Scope

This document specifies the minimum safety characteristics required for the design, materials, manufacture and testing of inflatable boats and rigid inflatable boats with a length of the hull L_H in accordance with ISO 8666 less than 8 m with a motor power rating of 15 kW and greater.

This document is applicable to the following types of boats intended for use within the operating temperatures of -20 °C to $+60\text{ °C}$:

- Type VII: Powered boats, fitted with a buoyancy tube on the port and starboard sides, suitable for navigation in conditions of design categories C and D.
- Type VIII: Powered boats, fitted with a buoyancy tube on the port and starboard sides, suitable for navigation in conditions of design category B.

This document excludes single-chambered boats and boats with tubes made from unsupported materials, and does not apply to aquatic toys and inflatable liferafts.

Boats with tubes made from aluminium, roto-moulded polyethylene, fibre reinforced plastic or other rigid materials are excluded from this document.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 1817, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of the effect of liquids*

ISO 2411, *Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Determination of coating adhesion*

ISO 3011, *Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Determination of resistance to ozone cracking under static conditions*

ISO 4674-1, *Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Determination of tear resistance — Part 1: Constant rate of tear methods*

ISO 4675, *Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Low-temperature bend test*

ISO 7840, *Small craft — Fire-resistant fuel hoses*

ISO 8099-1, *Small craft — Waste systems — Part 1: Waste water retention*

ISO 8099-2, *Small craft — Waste systems — Part 2: Sewage treatment systems*

ISO 8469, *Small craft — Non-fire-resistant fuel hoses*

ISO 8847, *Small craft — Steering gear — Cable over pulley systems*

- ISO 8848, *Small craft — Remote mechanical steering systems*
- ISO 9093, *Small craft — Seacocks and through-hull fittings*
- ISO 9094, *Small craft — Fire protection*
- ISO 10087, *Small craft — Craft identification — Coding system*
- ISO 10088, *Small craft — Permanently installed fuel systems*
- ISO 10239, *Small craft — Liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) systems*
- ISO 10592, *Small craft — Remote hydraulic steering systems*
- ISO 11105, *Small craft — Ventilation of petrol engine and/or petrol tank compartments*
- ISO 11591, *Small craft — Field of vision from the steering position*
- ISO 11592-1, *Small craft — Determination of maximum propulsion power rating using manoeuvring speed — Part 1: Craft with a length of hull less than 8 m*
- ISO 11812, *Small craft — Watertight or quick-draining recesses and cockpits*
- ISO 12215-1, *Small craft — Hull construction and scantlings — Part 1: Materials: Thermosetting resins, glass-fibre reinforcement, reference laminate*
- ISO 12215-2, *Small craft — Hull construction and scantlings — Part 2: Materials: Core materials for sandwich construction, embedded materials*
- ISO 12215-3, *Small craft — Hull construction and scantlings — Part 3: Materials: Steel, aluminium alloys, wood, other materials*
- ISO 12215-5, *Small craft — Hull construction and scantlings — Part 5: Design pressures for monohulls, design stresses, scantlings determination*
- ISO 12216:2020/Amd 1:2022, *Small craft — Windows, portlights, hatches, deadlights and doors — Strength and watertightness requirements — Amendment 1*
- ISO 12217-1:2022, *Small craft — Stability and buoyancy assessment and categorization — Part 1: Non-sailing boats of hull length greater than or equal to 6 m*
- ISO 13297, *Small craft — Electrical systems — Alternating and direct current installations*
- ISO 13929, *Small craft — Steering gear — Geared link systems*
- ISO 14945, *Small craft — Builder's plate*
- ISO 14946, *Small craft — Maximum load capacity*
- ISO 15084, *Small craft — Anchoring, mooring and towing — Strong points*
- ISO 15085:2003/Amd 2:2017, *Small craft — Man-overboard prevention and recovery — Amendment 2*
- ISO 16315, *Small craft — Electric propulsion system*
- ISO 21487, *Small craft — Permanently installed petrol and diesel fuel tanks*
- ISO 23411, *Small craft — Steering wheels*
- ISO 25197, *Small craft — Electrical/electronic control systems for steering, shift and throttle*
- EN 314-2, *Plywood – Bonding quality – Part 2: Requirements*