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Foreword

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Introduction

This International Standard is intended to supplement International Maritime Organization (IMO) requirements for rescue boats used on ships complying with the 1974 Safety of Life At Sea Convention (SOLAS 74), as amended.

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the minimum requirements for coated fabrics, and test procedures for those fabrics, for use in the constitution of inflatable chambers of rescue boats complying with the 1974 Safety of Life at Sea Convention (SOLAS), as amended; Chapter I, paragraph 1.2, and Chapter V of the International Life-Saving Appliance Code [IMO Resolution MSC.48 (66)]; and the IMO Assembly resolution A.689(17), as amended. These coated fabrics consist of a base textile with a synthetic elastomeric or plastomeric compound applied to one or both faces.

Requirements for fabrics for inflatable boats other than SOLAS rescue boats are contained in ISO 6185:1982, Shipbuilding and marine structures — Inflatable boats — Boats made of reinforced elastomers or plastomers.

2 Normative references

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ISO 1421:1998, Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Determination of tensile strength and elongation at break.

ISO 1817:1999, Rubber, vulcanized — Determination of the effect of liquids.

ISO 2286-2:1998, Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Determination of roll characteristics — Part 2: Methods for determination of total mass per unit area, mass per unit area of coating an mass per unit area of substrate.

ISO 2411:2000, Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Determination of coating achesion.

ISO 3011:1997, Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Determination of resistance to ozone cracking under static conditions.

ISO 4674:1977, Fabrics coated with rubber or plastics — Determination of tear resistance.

ISO 4675:1990, Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Low temperature bend test.

ISO 4892-2:1994, Plastics — Methods of exposure to laboratory light sources — Part 2: Xenon-arc sources.

ISO 4892-4:1994, Plastics — Methods of exposure to laboratory light sources — Part 4: Open-flame carbon-arc lamps.

ISO 5470:1980, Rubber or plastics coated fabrics — Determination of abrasion resistance.

ISO 5978:1990, Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Determination of blocking resistance.

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ISO 7854:1995, Rubber- or plastics-coated fabrics — Determination of resistance to damage by flexing.

International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS 1974), as amended in 1996.

IMO Resolution MSC.48(66), Adoption of the International Life-Saving Appliance (LSA) Code.

IMO Resolution A.689(17)(as amended), Recommendation on Testing of Life-Saving Appliances.

3 General requirements

3.1 Coated fabric

- **3.1.1** Coated fabric for use in the construction of inflatable chambers of rescue boats shall conform to the performance requirements specified in Table 1 when type tested in accordance with the specified test procedures in clause 6.
- **3.1.2** Type approval of a fabric approval of a particular colour or range of colours as tested.

3.2 Base fabric

The base fabric shall be inherently rot-proof.

NOTE Cotton fabric is not considered to be rot-proc

3.3 Coating material

Coating materials shall be synthetic elastomeric or plastomeric compounds formulated to conform to the relevant performance requirements specified in Table 1.

3.4 Adhesives and welding

Coated fabrics complying with this International Standard are supplied for use in the manufacture of inflatable rescue boats using adhesives and/or thermal-welding techniques consistent with the fabric manufacturer's instructions.

Manufacturers of rescue boats should confer with fabric proofers concerning specific fabrication techniques for specific coated fabrics.