

Class XII vessels are pleasure vessels of 13.7m in [registered*] length and over; * For boats registered on the SSR this means the Length Overall (LOA) and for those on Part 1 of the register Loadline length. If a boat is not registered, length is measured from the forepart of the stem to the aft side of the head of the stern post or, if no stern post is fitted the fore side of the rudder stock at the point where the rudder passes out of the hull.

This summary of the schedule is provided to assist boat owners in interpreting the exemption as published by the MCA in their document "Information on the Regulations Applicable to Pleasure Vessels" (Version 12 - 21/12/07) and should be read in conjunction with that document.

Regulations according to the schedule of the EXEMPTION in relation to Life-Saving Appliances on Class XII vessels

Dated 12th September 2007 which, unless cancelled, runs until 11th September 2012

For vessels of 13.7m in length and over

	Every such ship of 13.7 metres in length or over but less than 24 metres in length and which only proceeds to sea on voyages in the course of which it is not more than 3 miles from the coast shall carry:	Every ship of 13.7 metres in length or over but less than 24 metres in length and engaged on a voyage to sea in the course of which it is more than 3 miles but less than 20 miles from the coast shall carry:	Every ship of 13.7 metres in length or over but less than 24 metres in length and engaged on a voyage to sea in the course of which it is more than 20 miles but less than 150 miles from the coast shall carry:	Every ship of 13.7 metres in length and over engaged on a voyage to sea in the course of which it is more than 150 miles from the coast , and every ship of more than 24m in length shall carry:
Liferaft	NO REQUIREMENT	one or more inflatable liferafts with a total capacity to accommodate at least the total number of persons on board. The liferaft(s) provided should be either:- i) constructed to SOLAS standard, Wheelmarked or DTLR approved, except that the liferaft(s) should be equipped with "SOLAS B PACK"; or ii) built to the International Sailing Federation (ISAF), Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) Appendix A Part 2 requirements. Liferaft(s) should be equipped to a level equivalent to that of a "SOLAS B PACK". This may, where necessary, include a "grab bag" to supplement the equipment integral to the liferaft; or iii) built to the International Sailing Federation (ISAF), Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) Appendix A Part 1 requirements and manufactured prior to 1st July 2003, until replacement is due or the end date of this exemption whichever date occurs first. Liferaft(s) should be equipped to a level equivalent to that of a "SOLAS B PACK". This may, where necessary, include a "grab bag" to supplement the equipment integral to the liferaft; or iv) built to the ISO 9650-1:2005 – Small Craft Inflatable Liferafts Part 1 Type 1 Group A standard provided the liferaft (s) are fitted with a boarding ramp; and are equipped to the level of a "SOLAS B PACK". This may, where necessary, include a "grab bag" to supplement the equipment integral to the liferaft; or v) built to the ISO 9650-2:2005 – Small Craft Liferafts Part 2 Type 2; or vi) alternatively, an equivalent capacity CE marked Category C rigid or inflated inflatable dinghy ready for immediate use <i>Note: Every liferaft shall be carried in FRP containers or in a valise stowed in a readily accessible and dedicated weathertight locker opening directly to the weather deck.</i>	one or more inflatable liferafts with a total capacity to accommodate at least the total number of persons on board. The liferaft(s) provided should be either:- i) constructed to SOLAS standard, Wheelmarked or DTLR approved, except that the liferaft(s) should be equipped with "SOLAS B PACK"; or ii) built to the International Sailing Federation (ISAF), Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) Appendix A Part 2 requirements. Liferaft(s) should be equipped to a level equivalent to that of a "SOLAS B PACK". This may, where necessary, include a "grab bag" to supplement the equipment integral to the liferaft; or iii) built to the International Sailing Federation (ISAF), Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) Appendix A Part 1 requirements and manufactured prior to 1st July 2003, until replacement is due or the end date of this exemption whichever date occurs first. Liferaft(s) should be equipped to a level equivalent to that of a "SOLAS B PACK". This may, where necessary, include a "grab bag" to supplement the equipment integral to the liferaft; or iv) built to the ISO 9650-1:2005 – Small Craft Inflatable Liferafts Part 1 Type 1 Group A standard provided the liferaft (s) are fitted with a boarding ramp; and are equipped to the level of a "SOLAS B PACK". This may, where necessary, include a "grab bag" to supplement the equipment integral to the liferaft; or v) built to the ISO 9650-2:2005 – Small Craft Liferafts Part 2 Type 2; or vi) alternatively, an equivalent capacity CE marked Category C rigid or inflated inflatable dinghy ready for immediate use <i>Note: Every liferaft shall be carried in FRP containers or in a valise stowed in a readily accessible and dedicated weathertight locker opening directly to the weather deck.</i>	one or more inflatable liferafts with a total capacity to accommodate at least the total number of persons on board. The liferaft(s) provided should be constructed to SOLAS standard, Wheelmarked or DTLR approved, except that the liferaft(s) should be equipped with "SOLAS A -PACK" Every ship of 24m in length or over shall carry additional liferaft(s) to ensure that in the event of any one raft being lost or rendered unserviceable, there is sufficient capacity remaining for all onboard. Every ship of 25.9m in length or over shall carry a rescue boat or inflatable boat. A lifeboat may be acceptable as a rescue boat; provided that it also complies with the requirements for a rescue boat. The lifeboat, rescue boat or inflatable boat shall be served by a launching appliance.
Lifebuoys, line thrower and buoyant lines	two lifebuoys, one of which shall be fitted with a self-igniting light and a buoyant lifeline at least 18 metres in length			four lifebuoys, two of which shall be fitted with buoyant lifelines and two with self-igniting lights and self-activating smoke signals and a line-throwing appliance
Lifejackets	a lifejacket suitable for a person weighing 32 kilogrammes or more for each such person on board; a lifejacket suitable for a person weighing less than 32 kilogrammes for each such person on board. Lifejackets carried for persons on watch shall be stowed in positions readily accessible from the manned watch station.			
Lifejacket lights	NO REQUIREMENT	each lifejacket shall be fitted with a lifejacket light complying with an appropriate MCA recognised standard		
Flares	4 red hand, 4 white hand and 2 orange smoke flares	4 parachute, 4 red hand, 4 white hand and 2 orange smoke flares		
Training / instruction Manual	a training or instruction manual containing instructions and information on the life-saving appliances provided in the vessel and their maintenance			
Lifesaving signals	a copy of the table "Life-Saving Signals and Rescue Methods, SOLAS No. 1" or "Life-Saving Signals and Rescue Methods, SOLAS No. 2"			
Maritime Radio	a maritime radio capable of transmitting and receiving, appropriate to the area of operation			
Boarding ladder	In ships of Class XII of 13.7m in length and over, an embarkation ladder shall be provided at each embarkation station extending, in a single length, from the deck to the waterline in the lightest seagoing condition under unfavourable conditions of trim of up to 10 degrees and with the ship listed not less than 20 degrees either way and where such distance exceeds 1 meter. Such ladder(s) may be temporarily attached. In ships of Class XII of 13.7m in length or over, but less than 24m in length, such ladder(s) may be replaced by approved devices to afford access to survival craft when waterborne.			
<i>Note: In ships of Class XII, every inflatable liferaft, compressed gas inflatable lifejacket and hydrostatic release unit shall be serviced by the manufacturer's approved agent, at the manufacturers recommended intervals, however where liferaft(s) are stored in valises these should be serviced at least annually.</i>				

Regulations according to the schedule of the EXEMPTION in relation to Fire Protection on Class XII vessels

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For vessels of 13.7m in length and over, but less than 24 meters in length

	Every ship of 13.7 metres in length or over, but less than 24 metres in length, shall be provided with:-
Fire extinguisher	Not less than four multi-purpose fire extinguishers to a recognised standard, each with a minimum fire rating of 13A/113B, or a combination of smaller extinguishers giving the equivalent fire rating; or (a) Not less than two multipurpose fire extinguishers as described above, and (b) A fire pump capable of delivering one jet of water with a minimum throw of 6 metres with a 6mm nozzle to any part of the ship. The fire pump, which need not be a dedicated fire pump, shall have one fire hose of adequate length with a 6mm nozzle and a suitable spray nozzle, and shall be either:- i a hand powered fire pump, fixed or portable, outside any engine space with one sea and hose connections; or ii a power driven fire pump outside any engine space, fixed or portable, with sea and hose connections; or iii a hand powered portable fire pump with a throw over sea suction and hose connection. <i>Note: Multi-purpose fire extinguishers shall have a capability to deal with both Category A fires involving solid materials, and Category B fires, involving liquids or liquefiable solids. Portable fire extinguishers provided in compliance with these Regulations shall be of approved types and /or technically equivalent to BS EN3.</i>
Fire buckets	Not less than two fire buckets with lanyards. Fire buckets may be of metal, plastic or canvas and should be suitable for their intended service.

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