

**Regulation 25***Radio Apparatus and Searchlights in Motor Lifeboats*

(a) Every motor lifeboat of Class A, required to be carried in compliance with paragraphs (a) and (b) of Regulation 8, must be fitted with a radio-telegraph installation complying with the requirements set out in this Regulation and in Regulation 13 of Chapter IV, and also with a searchlight complying with paragraph (f) of this Regulation.

(b) The radio installation shall be installed in a cabin large enough to accommodate both the equipment and the person using it.

(c) The arrangements shall be such that the efficient operation of the transmitter and receiver shall not be interfered with by the engine while it is running, whether a battery is on charge or not.

(d) The radio battery shall not be used to supply power to any engine-starting motor or ignition system.

(e) The motor lifeboat engine shall be fitted with a dynamo for recharging the radio battery, and for other services.

(f) The searchlight shall include a lamp of at least 80 watts, an efficient reflector and a source of power which will give effective illumination of a light-coloured object having a width of about 60 feet (or 18 metres) at a distance of 200 yards (or 180 metres) for a total period of six hours and shall be capable of working for at least three hours continuously.

**Regulation 26***Stowage and Handling of Lifeboats*

(a) Lifeboats shall be stowed to the satisfaction of the Administration in such a way that—

(i) they can be launched in the shortest possible time;

(ii) they will not impede in any way the prompt handling of any of the other lifeboats attached to davits or stowed under lifeboats attached to davits or the buoyant apparatus or the marshalling of the persons on board at the launching stations, or their embarkation; and

(iii) even under conditions of list and trim unfavourable from the point of view of the handling of the lifeboats, as large a number of persons as possible can be embarked in them.

(b) Where practicable not more than one lifeboat shall be served by a single set of davits. In ships where this arrangement is impracticable, the lifeboats may, subject to the foregoing provisions, be stowed one above the other, or they may, subject to such conditions as the Administration may impose, be fitted one within another, but where lifeboats so fitted require lifting before being launched mechanical power appliances for lifting shall be provided.

(c) Where a lifeboat is stowed underneath another lifeboat, there shall be provided approved removable supports or other approved appliances, so as to secure that the weight of a lifeboat is not unduly supported by the lifeboat underneath it.

(d) Lifeboats may only be stowed on more than one deck on condition that proper measures are taken to prevent lifeboats on a lower deck being fouled by those stowed on a deck above.