

Regulation 8***Proportion of Motor Lifeboats and Other Mechanically Propelled Lifeboats to be Carried***

(a) Where the number of lifeboats required to be carried in a ship is 20 or more, two shall be motor lifeboats of Class A complying with the requirements of Regulation 9.

(b) Where the number of lifeboats to be carried in a ship is more than 13 but less than 20, one shall be a motor lifeboat of Class A and a second shall be a motor lifeboat of Class A or Class B complying with the requirements of Regulation 9 or an approved mechanically propelled lifeboat complying with the requirements of Regulation 10.

(c) All passenger ships not provided under the foregoing provisions with a motor lifeboat shall carry a motor lifeboat of either Class A or Class B, complying with the requirements of Regulation 9 or an approved mechanically propelled lifeboat complying with the requirements of Regulation 10.

(d) All cargo ships of 1,600 tons gross tonnage and upwards shall carry a motor lifeboat of Class A or Class B complying with the requirements of Regulation 9 or a mechanically propelled lifeboat complying with the requirements of Regulation 10.

Regulation 9***Specification of Motor Lifeboat*****(a) Class A**

A motor lifeboat of Class A shall comply with the following conditions:—

- (i) It shall be fitted with an approved type of compression ignition engine and be provided with fuel sufficient for 24 hours continuous operation, and kept so as to be at all times ready for use.
- (ii) The engine and its accessories shall be suitably enclosed to ensure operation under adverse weather conditions, and provision shall be made for going astern.
- (iii) The speed ahead shall be at least six knots in smooth water when loaded with its full complement of persons and equipment.

(b) Class B

A motor lifeboat of Class B shall comply with the following conditions:—

- (i) It shall be adequately provided with fuel, and kept so as to be at all times ready for use.
- (ii) The engine and its accessories shall be suitably enclosed to ensure operation under adverse weather conditions, and provision shall be made for going astern.
- (iii) The speed ahead shall be at least four knots in smooth water when loaded with its full complement of persons and equipment.