

## **PART B - SUBDIVISION AND STABILITY**

- 2 The following new regulation 17-1 is added after existing regulation 17:

### **"Regulation 17-1**

#### **Openings in the shell plating below the bulkhead deck of passenger ships and the freeboard deck of cargo ships**

Notwithstanding the requirements of regulation 17, ships constructed on or after 1 July 1998 shall comply with the requirements of regulation 17 where a reference to "margin line" shall be deemed to mean a reference to the bulkhead deck of passenger ships and the freeboard deck of cargo ships."

## **PART C - MACHINERY INSTALLATIONS**

### **Regulation 26 - General**

- 3 The following new paragraphs 9, 10 and 11 are added after existing paragraph 8:

"9 Non-metallic expansion joints in piping systems, if located in a system which penetrates the ship's side and both the penetration and the non-metallic expansion joint are located below the deepest load waterline, shall be inspected as part of the surveys prescribed in regulation I/10(a) and replaced as necessary, or at an interval recommended by the manufacturer.

10 Operating and maintenance instructions and engineering drawings for ship machinery and equipment essential to the safe operation of the ship shall be written in a language understandable by those officers and crew members who are required to understand such information in the performance of their duties.

11 Location and arrangement of vent pipes for fuel oil service, settling and lubrication oil tanks shall be such that in the event of a broken vent pipe this shall not directly lead to the risk of ingress of seawater splashes or rainwater. Two fuel oil service tanks for each type of fuel used on board necessary for propulsion and vital systems or equivalent arrangements shall be provided on each new ship, with a capacity of at least 8 h at maximum continuous rating of the propulsion plant and normal operating load at sea of the generator plant. This paragraph applies only to ships constructed on or after 1 July 1998."