# **ANNEX 3.1 - CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE SAFETY OF SMALL FISHING VESSELS: CHECK LIST OF REQUIREMENTS - OPEN Vessels less than 7 metres (RL)**

Equipment need not be MCA approved provided it is fit for its intended purpose.

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| **Item** | **Remarks/compliance** | **Expiry/Service Date** |
| Lifejackets – 1 per person |  |  |
| 1 Lifebuoy (with 18 metre buoyant line attached) |  |  |
| 2 Parachute Flares |  |  |
| 2 Hand-held Flares |  |  |
| 1 Smoke Signal, buoyant or hand held |  |  |
| 1 Fire Bucket + Lanyard |  |  |
| 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher (fire rating 5A/34B) – if Vessel has in-board engine or auxiliary engine (extinguisher should be capable of dealing with all fire types, including hydrocarbons) |  |  |
| 1 Fire Blanket (light duty) if Vessel has galley or cooking area |  |  |
| 1 Satellite EPIRB or Personal Locator Beacon(s) - 1 per person |  |  |
| VHF Radio – DSC fixed or hand held. Vessels with Liferafts shall carry an additional Portable VHF Radio |  |  |
| Bailer |  |  |
| Approved Navigation Lights & Sound Signals |  |  |
| Anchor and cable/warp |  |  |
| Compass |  |  |
| Waterproof Torch |  |  |
| Medical Kit in accordance with The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Medical Stores) Regulations 1995 No.1802 or any superseding regulations |  |  |
| Radar Reflector |  |  |
| CO Alarms for every enclosed space that has a fired cooking or heating appliance or where engine exhausts penetrate the wheelhouse or accommodation space |  |  |
| Wolfson Freeboard Guidance Notice |  |  |
| Record of relevant Stability requirement (See Chapter 3) |  |  |
| Means of Recovering unconscious/helpless person from water and, if single handed, means of getting back on board Vessel, deployable from the water. |  |  |

Note: The checklist represents the minimum safety equipment requirements and owners should consider carrying additional safety equipment. It is recommended that if you carry Personal Locator Beacons, a Satellite EPIRB should also be carried and if you carry an EPIRB, that you carry Personal Locator Beacons for each member of the crew. Carriage of a liferaft is also recommended. Coastguard Operations Centres maintain a listening watch only on VHF Channel 16. The primary means of distress and urgency alerting should be via VHF DSC

# **ANNEX 3.2 - CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE SAFETY OF SMALL FISHING VESSELS: CHECK LIST OF REQUIREMENTS: OPEN Vessels 7 metres (RL) to less than 12 metres (RL)**

Equipment need not be MCA approved provided it is fit for its intended purpose.

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| **Item** | **Remarks/compliance** | **Expiry/Service Date** |
| Liferaft(s) - sufficient capacity for all persons on board Vessel and appropriate for area of operation |  |  |
| Lifejackets - 1 per person |  |  |
| 2 Lifebuoys (1 with 18 metre buoyant line attached) or 1 Lifebuoy (with 18 metre buoyant line) +1 Buoyant Rescue Quoit |  |  |
| 3 Parachute Flares |  |  |
| 2 Hand-held Flares |  |  |
| 1 Smoke Signal (buoyant or hand held) |  |  |
| 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher (fire rating 5A/34B) |  |  |
| 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher for oil fires (fire rating 13A/113B) |  |  |
| 1 Fire Blanket (light duty) in galley or cooking area (if applicable) |  |  |
| 1 Fire Pump + Hose or 1 Fire Bucket and lanyard |  |  |
| 1 Satellite EPIRB (for Vessels of 10m (RL) and over) (Vessels of 10m and over that are single handed may replace the EPIRB with a Personal Locator Beacon) |  |  |
| 1 Satellite EPIRB or Personal Locator Beacon(s) – 1 per person (for Vessels of 7m (L) to less than 10m (L)) |  |  |
| VHF Radio – DSC fixed or hand held. Vessels with Liferafts shall carry an additional Portable VHF Radio |  |  |
| Bilge Alarm, if bilge not visible |  |  |
| Bilge Pumps in accordance with section 4.10 of the Code |  |  |
| Approved Navigation Lights & Sound Signals |  |  |
| Anchor and cable/warp |  |  |
| Compass |  |  |
| Waterproof Torch |  |  |
| Medical Kit in accordance with The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Medical Stores) Regulations 1995 No.1802 or any superseding regulations |  |  |
| Radar Reflector |  |  |
| CO Alarms for every enclosed space that has a fired cooking or heating appliance or where engine exhausts penetrate the wheelhouse or accommodation space |  |  |
| Wolfson Freeboard Guidance Notice |  |  |
| Record of relevant Stability requirement (See Chapter 3) |  |  |
| Means of Recovering unconscious/helpless person from water and, if single handed, means of getting back on board Vessel, deployable from the water. |  |  |

Note: The checklist represents the minimum safety equipment requirements and owners should consider carrying additional safety equipment. It is recommended that if you carry the Satellite EPIRB, you also carry Personal Locator Beacons for each member of the crew, and if you carry Personal Locator Beacons, you also carry a Satellite EPIRB. The liferaft, which is mandatory, should be fitted in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. Coastguard Operations Centres maintain a listening watch only on VHF Channel 16. The primary means of distress and urgency alerting should be via VHF DSC

**ANNEX 3.3 - CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE SAFETY OF SMALL FISHING VESSELS: CHECK LIST OF REQUIREMENTS: OPEN Vessels 12 metres (RL) to less than 15 metres (LOA)**

Equipment need not be MCA approved provided it is fit for its intended purpose.

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| **Item** | **Remarks/compliance** | **Expiry/Service Date** |
| Liferaft(s) - Sufficient capacity for all persons on board Vessel and appropriate for area of operation |  |  |
| Lifejackets - 1 per person + 2 spare |  |  |
| 2 Lifebuoys (1 with 18 metre buoyant line attached) or 1 Lifebuoy (with 18 metre buoyant line) +1 Buoyant Rescue Quoit |  |  |
| 3 Parachute Flares |  |  |
| 2 Hand-held Flares |  |  |
| 1 Smoke Signal (buoyant or hand held) |  |  |
| 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher (fire rating 5A/34B) |  |  |
| 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher for oil fires (fire rating 13A/113B) |  |  |
| 1 Fire Blanket (light duty) in galley or cooking area (if applicable) |  |  |
| 1 Fire Pump + Hose or 1 Fire Bucket and Lanyard |  |  |
| VHF Radio – DSC fixed or hand held. Vessels with Liferafts shall carry an additional Portable VHF Radio |  |  |
| 1 Satellite EPIRB (Vessels that are single handed may replace the EPIRB with a Personal Locator Beacon) |  |  |
| Bilge Alarm, if bilge not visible |  |  |
| Bilge Pumps in accordance with section 4.10 of the Code |  |  |
| Approved Navigation Lights & Sound Signals |  |  |
| Anchor and cable/warp |  |  |
| Compass |  |  |
| Waterproof Torch |  |  |
| Medical Kit in accordance with The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Medical Stores) Regulations 1995 No.1802 or any superseding regulations |  |  |
| Means of Recovering unconscious/helpless person from water and, if single handed, means of getting back on board Vessel, deployable from the water. |  |  |
| Radar Reflector |  |  |
| CO Alarms for every enclosed space that has a fired cooking or heating appliance or where engine exhausts penetrate the wheelhouse or accommodation space |  |  |
| Wolfson Freeboard Guidance Notice |  |  |
| Record of relevant Stability requirement (See Chapter 3) |  |  |

Note: The checklist represents the minimum safety equipment requirements and owners should consider carrying additional safety equipment. In addition to the Satellite EPIRB, Personal Locator Beacons are also recommended for all crew on Vessels that are not single handed. The liferaft, which is mandatory, should be fitted in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. Coastguard Operations Centres maintain a listening watch only on VHF Channel 16. The primary means of distress and urgency alerting should be via VHF DSC

**ANNEX 3.4 - CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE SAFETY OF SMALL FISHING VESSELS: CHECK LIST OF REQUIREMENTS: DECKED Vessels of less than 10 metres (RL)**

Equipment need not be MCA approved provided it is fit for its intended purpose.

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| **Item** | **Remarks/compliance** | **Expiry/Service Date** |
| Liferaft(s) (for Vessels of 7 metres (L) and over) - sufficient capacity for all persons on board Vessel and appropriate for area of operation |  |  |
| Lifejackets - 1 per person |  |  |
| 2 Lifebuoys (1 with 18 metre buoyant line attached) or 1 Lifebuoy (fitted with 18 metre buoyancy line) +1 Buoyant Rescue Quoit |  |  |
| 3 Parachute Flares |  |  |
| 2 Hand-held Flares |  |  |
| 1 Smoke Signal (buoyant or hand held) |  |  |
| 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher (fire rating 5A/34B) |  |  |
| 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher for oil fires (fire rating 13A/113B) |  |  |
| Gas Detector |  |  |
| 1 Fire Blanket (light duty) in galley or cooking area (if applicable*)* |  |  |
| Fire Detectors for accommodation and engine spaces |  |  |
| 1 Fire Pump + Hose or 1 Fire Bucket and lanyard |  |  |
| 1 Satellite EPIRB or Personal Locator Beacon(s) – 1 per person |  |  |
| VHF Radio – DSC fixed or hand held. Vessels with Liferafts shall carry an additional Portable VHF Radio |  |  |
| Bilge Pumps in accordance with section 4.10 of the Code |  |  |
| Bilge Level Alarm |  |  |
| Approved Navigation Lights & Sound Signals |  |  |
| Anchor and cable/warp |  |  |
| Compass |  |  |
| Waterproof Torch |  |  |
| Medical Kit in accordance with The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Medical Stores) Regulations 1995 No.1802 or any superseding regulations |  |  |
| Radar Reflector |  |  |
| CO Alarms for every enclosed space that has a fired cooking or heating appliance or where engine exhausts penetrate the wheelhouse or accommodation space |  |  |
| Wolfson Freeboard Guidance Notice |  |  |
| Record of relevant Stability requirement (See Chapter 3) |  |  |
| Means of Recovering unconscious/helpless person from water and, if single handed, means of getting back on board Vessel, deployable from the water. |  |  |

Note: The checklist represents the minimum safety equipment requirements and owners should consider carrying additional safety equipment. It is recommended that if you carry the Satellite EPIRB, you also carry Personal Locator Beacons for each member of the crew, and if you carry Personal Locator Beacons, you also carry a Satellite EPIRB. The liferaft, which is mandatory for Vessel of 7 metres (RL) and over and strongly recommended for Vessels under 7 metres (RL), should be fitted in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

Coastguard Operations Centres maintain a listening watch only on VHF Channel 16. The primary means of distress and urgency alerting should be via VHF DSC

**ANNEX 3.5 - CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE SAFETY OF SMALL FISHING VESSELS: CHECK LIST OF REQUIREMENTS: DECKED Vessels 10 metres (RL) to less than 12 metres (RL)**

Equipment need not be MCA approved provided it is fit for its intended purpose.

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| **ITEM** | **Remarks/compliance** | **Expiry/Service Date** |
| Lifejackets - 1 per person + 2 spare |  |  |
| Liferaft(s) - sufficient capacity for all persons on board Vessel and appropriate  for area of operation |  |  |
| 2 Lifebuoys (1 with 18 metre buoyant line attached) or 1 Lifebuoy (fitted with 18 metre buoyant line) +1 Buoyant Rescue Quoit |  |  |
| 3 Parachute flares |  |  |
| 2 Hand-held flares |  |  |
| 1 Smoke Signal (buoyant or handheld) |  |  |
| Gas Detector |  |  |
| 1 Fire Blanket (light duty) in galley or cooking area (if applicable) |  |  |
| Fire Detectors for accommodation and engine spaces |  |  |
| 1 Fire Pump and hose or 1 Fire Bucket and lanyard. |  |  |
| 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguishers (fire rating 5A/34B and 1 fixed Fire Extinguishing system for the machinery space |  |  |
| 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher for oil fires (fire rating 13A/113B) |  |  |
| 1 Satellite EPIRB (Vessels that are single handed may replace the EPIRB with a Personal Locator Beacon) |  |  |
| VHF Radio - DSC fixed or hand held. Vessels with Liferafts shall carry an additional Portable VHF Radio |  |  |
| Bilge Pumps in accordance with section 4.10 of the Code |  |  |
| Bilge Level Alarm |  |  |
| Approved Navigation Lights & Sound Signals |  |  |
| Anchor and cable/warp |  |  |
| Compass |  |  |
| Waterproof Torch |  |  |
| Medical Kit in accordance with The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Medical Stores) Regulations 1995 No.1802 or any superseding regulations |  |  |
| Radar Reflector |  |  |
| CO Alarms for every enclosed space that has a fired cooking or heating  Appliance or where engine exhausts penetrate the wheelhouse or accommodation space |  |  |
| Wolfson Freeboard Guidance Notice |  |  |
| Record of relevant Stability requirement (See Chapter 3) |  |  |
| Means of Recovering unconscious/helpless person from water and, if single handed, means of getting back on board Vessel, deployable from the water. |  |  |

Note: The checklist represents the minimum safety equipment requirements and owners should consider carrying additional safety equipment. In addition to the Satellite EPIRB, Personal Locator Beacons are recommended for all crew on Vessels that are not single handed. The liferaft, which is mandatory, should be fitted in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. Coastguard Operations Centres maintain a listening watch only on VHF Channel 16. The primary means of distress and urgency alerting should be via VHF DSC

**ANNEX 3.6 - CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE SAFETY OF SMALL FISHING VESSELS: CHECK LIST OF REQUIREMENTS: DECKED Vessels 12m (RL) to less than 15 metres (LOA)**

Equipment need not be MCA approved provided it is fit for its intended purpose.

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| **ITEM** | **Remarks/compliance** | **Expiry/Service Date** |
| Lifejackets - 1 per person and 2 spare |  |  |
| Liferaft(s) - sufficient capacity for all persons on board Vessel and appropriate for area of operation |  |  |
| 2 Lifebuoys (1 with 18 metre buoyant line attached) or 1 Lifebuoy (fitted with 18 metre buoyant line) +1 Buoyant Rescue Quoit |  |  |
| 3 Parachute flares |  |  |
| 2 Hand-held flares |  |  |
| 1 Smoke Signal (buoyant or handheld) |  |  |
| Gas Detector |  |  |
| 1 Fire Blanket (light duty) in galley or cooking area (if applicable*)* |  |  |
| Fire Detectors for accommodation and engine spaces |  |  |
| 1 Fire Pump and hose or 1 Fire Bucket and lanyard |  |  |
| 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher (fire rating 5A/34B) and 1 fixed Fire Extinguishing system for the machinery space |  |  |
| 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher for oil fires (fire rating 13A/113B) |  |  |
| VHF Radio - DSC fixed or hand held. Vessels with Liferafts shall carry an additional Portable VHF Radio |  |  |
| 1 Satellite EPIRB (Vessels that are single handed may replace the EPIRB with a Personal Locator Beacon) |  |  |
| Bilge Pumps in accordance with section 4.10 of the Code |  |  |
| Bilge Level Alarm |  |  |
| Approved Navigation Lights & Sound Signals |  |  |
| Anchor and cable/warp |  |  |
| Compass |  |  |
| Waterproof Torch |  |  |
| Medical Kit in accordance with The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Medical Stores) Regulations 1995 No.1802 or any superseding regulations |  |  |
| Means of Recovering unconscious/helpless person from water and, if single handed, means of getting back on board Vessel, deployable from water. |  |  |
| Radar Reflector |  |  |
| CO Alarms for every enclosed space that has a fired cooking or heating  Appliance or where engine exhausts penetrate the wheelhouse or accommodation space |  |  |
| Wolfson Freeboard Guidance Notice |  |  |
| Record of relevant Stability requirement (See Chapter 3) |  |  |

Note: The checklist represents the minimum safety equipment requirements and owners should consider carrying additional safety equipment. In addition to the Satellite EPIRB, Personal Locator Beacons are recommended for all crew on Vessels that are not single handed. The liferaft, which is mandatory, should be fitted in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. Coastguard Operations Centres maintain a listening watch only on VHF Channel 16. The primary means of distress and urgency alerting should be via VHF DSC