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Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (Resolution No. 61, revised)


Note of the secretariat

The Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation (SC.3/WP.3) may wish to note that the European committee for drawing up common standards in the field of inland navigation (CESNI) is currently preparing an updated text of the European Standard laying down Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (ES-TRIN), for adoption in 2017.

In particular, amendments to the following chapters and articles are proposed:

- Article 1.01, Definitions: it is proposed to add definitions relevant to the traditional craft, VTT standard and Inland ECDIS standard;
- Article 7.12, Elevating wheelhouses;
- Article 13.05, Permanently installed fire-fighting systems for protecting engine rooms, boiler rooms and pump rooms: provisions for fire-fighting systems using water as the extinguishing agent;
- Article 14.12, Cranes;
- Article 19.11, updating of the references to the International Code for the Application of Fire Test procedures (FTP Code);
- Chapter 24, Special provisions applicable to traditional craft;
- Chapters 32, Transitional provisions for craft navigating on the Rhine (zone R), and 33, Transitional provisions for craft operating exclusively on waterways outside the Rhine, concerning the applicability of the above-mentioned articles and other clarifications;
• Annex 3, Models of inland navigation vessel certificates;
• Annex 5, Navigation and information equipment, concerning the Inland ECDIS equipment;
• Instruction for the application of the technical standard ESI-II-6, Appropriate auxiliary means for observing the area of obstructed vision.

It is proposed also to update the references to various EN/ISO standards and editorial corrections.

Furthermore, editorial corrections pertaining to the navigation lights and an update to Chapter 9, Emission of gaseous and particulate pollutants from diesel engines, will be discussed by the CESNI Working Group on Technical Requirements in February 2017.

SC.3/WP.3 may wish to take this information into consideration when determining the priorities for further work on Resolution No. 61.