
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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MERCHANT SHIPPING

**The Merchant Shipping (Submersible Craft
Construction and Survey) Regulations 1981**

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**THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (SUBMERSIBLE CRAFT
CONSTRUCTION AND SURVEY) REGULATIONS 1981**

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping...
2. Application
3. Surveys
4. Reporting of modifications or damage
5. Issue and extension of safety certificates
6. Suspension or revocation of safety certificate
7. Offences
8. (1) These Regulations shall apply to persons, whether or not...
Signature

**SCHEDULE 1 — CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMERSIBLE
CRAFT AND SUPPORTING EQUIPMENT**

The construction requirements referred to in regulation 3(2)(a) are as...

1. Hull
2. Power
3. Control
4. Buoyancy and Stability
5. Life Support
6. Communications
7. Navigation and Position Indication
8. Supporting Equipment—Launch and Recovery System
9. Lock-Out Arrangements

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SCHEDULE 2 — CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS FOR ONE MAN
SUBMERSIBLE CRAFT, ATMOSPHERIC DIVING SUITS AND
SUPPORTING EQUIPMENT

The construction requirements referred to in regulation 3(2)(b) are as...

1. Hull
2. Power
3. Control
4. Buoyancy and Stability
5. Life Support
6. Communications
7. Navigation and Position Indication
8. Supporting Equipment—Launch and Recovery System

SCHEDULE 3 — CRITERIA FOR CERTIFICATION OF SUBMERSIBLE CRAFT
AND SUPPORTING EQUIPMENT AND FOR ONE MAN
SUBMERSIBLE CRAFT, ATMOSPHERIC DIVING SUITS AND
SUPPORTING EQUIPMENT

1. The construction of the submersible craft shall be such that...
2. Materials, fittings and fluids used in the construction of the...
3. The sealing arrangements of all openings and penetrations shall be...
4. The testing and inspection programme shall be adequate both in...
5. The margin of safety from pressure damage calculated from the...
6. The capacity and design of the power and propulsion systems...
7. The design and construction of the submersible craft and its...
8. The life support systems and emergency arrangements, shall be as...
9. An adequate fire extinguishing system shall be fitted except in...
10. The communication systems shall be adequate for the use for...
11. The navigational system shall be adequate for the use for...
12. The launch and recovery system, where applicable, shall be adequate...
13. Diver Lock-Out arrangements, if applicable, shall be adequate for the...

Explanatory Note