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The Danish Maritime Authority's Technical Regulation no. 9 of 1 September 1988

Technical regulation on conditions of access to cargo hold ladders and similar ladders

In pursuance of section 2(5), section 11(2) and section 28 of Act no. 98 of 12 March 1980 on Ship Safety, etc., as amended, cf. consolidated act no. 299 of 9 June 1988, the following provisions are laid down:

Cargo hold ladders and similar ladders as well as the conditions of access to such ladders shall be arranged such that it is possible for one person to enter the said spaces wearing a fire-fighter's outfit and a smoke helmet.

The means of access to the companion hatches shall not have any hindrances and have a breadth of at least 60 cm.

The companion hatches to the ladders shall be so great that there is a free opening of at least 60 X 60 cm for each ladder measured from the middle of the ladder treads.

Openings in decks and in the lower part of companion hatches shall be well rounded.

It shall be possible for one person to open the hatch covers for the companion hatches. It shall be possible to secure them in the open position.

Contraventions of this technical regulation shall be liable to punishment by fine or simple detention.

This technical regulation shall enter into force on 15 September 1988.

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