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*Order no. 848 of 14 October 1992 issued by the Danish Maritime Authority*

## **Order on lifejackets in small vessels**

Pursuant to section 2(5), section 11(2) and section 28 of the act on the safety of ships, etc. (*lov om skibes sikkerhed m.v.*), cf. consolidated act no. 584 of 29 September 1988, and by authority laid down in order no. 570 of 26 September 1988, the following provisions are laid down:

**Section 1.** This order covers all vessels that are not pursuant to other regulations required to carry lifejackets.

*Subsection 2.* A vessel shall mean any arrangement, such as commercial vessels, boats, dinghies, barges, water scooters, windsurfers, etc. used by persons on the water, except from ships' lifeboats as well as bathing equipment used only on the beach.

**Section 2.** All vessels not moored in port shall carry lifejackets or buoyancy aids for everyone on board.

*Subsection 2.* Rowing racing boats and recreational rowing boats may, instead of meeting the provisions of subsection 1, meet the safety provisions of the Danish Rowing Association (Dansk Forening for Rosport) or of the Danish Canoe and Kayak Union (Dansk Kano og Kajak Forbund).

*Subsection 3.* Divers carried in vessels covered by this order may use the surfacing jackets used together with the diving equipment instead of lifejackets.

*Subsection 4.* Vessels used in shallow waters in amusement parks and the like under surveillance may be exempted from meeting this order by the Danish Maritime Authority.

**Section 3.** Lifejackets and buoyancy aids shall be type-approved according to recognised norms, including SOLAS and EC type-approved or provided with a DVN informative label.

**Section 4.** Instructions on the use of and weight limits, etc. of each individual lifejacket or buoyancy aid shall be observed.

**Section 5.** Contraventions of this order shall be liable to punishment by fine or mitigated imprisonment.

**Section 6.** This order shall enter into force on 1 December 1992.

**Section 7.** This order shall not apply to the Faroe Islands.

*Danish Maritime Authority, 14 October 1992*

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