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"LIFTING OPERATIONS AND LIFTING EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS (LOLER) VERSUS SOLAS"

An Evening Lecture

Monday 3rd October 2022 at 18:15 Hours
on Board "HQS Wellington"
berthed at Victoria Embankment, Temple Stairs, London WC2R 2PN
or Via Zoom **

Speaker: Dennis Barber, Master Mariner, FRINA, FNI, MRIN

The discussion is a study of the potential for conflict between international and national legislation. In choosing LOLER – Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations – the study is UK centric but similar legislation could exist elsewhere.

Is it possible, to fully comply with SOLAS requirements, Masters and, on a fleetwide basis, Marine Superintendents and ship managers, could find themselves in conflict with domestic legislation?

Are the interpretations of SOLAS by regulators and port state control officers fully cognisant of the masters' duty to safeguard the crew?

Is the equipment required by SOLAS fit for purpose in the open sea environment?

Is SOLAS fit for purpose or is there opportunity in forthcoming reviews of parts of it to modernise it and help masters to manage their risks better?

Whilst focusing in this study on LOLER the broader issues of fitness for purpose of SOLAS extend to many other areas of design and operation. Has the need for review of SOLAS ever been greater? Does such review need to be freed of constraints typically imposed by the bureaucratic process, looking ahead as well as back, making use of the lessons learned from failures in the past.

The study should be of interest to all attendees at JIM. It seeks to cross boundaries and encourage greater cooperation between designers, builders, regulators, legislators, managers and front-line operators in making SOLAS and any other legislation or guidelines relevant to the real-life situations of mariners.

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