The EU RECREATIONAL CRAFT DIRECTIVE 94/25/EC as amended 2003/44/EC

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Recent Development in standards in the Recreational Craft Sector

The RCD - Overview

- The RCD is a trade-enabling new approach directive that covers some 32 'Essential Requirements'
- Developed by European Parliament and Member States with industry guidance
- Supported by a mandate of 60 harmonised standards

Scope

- Applies to all leisure craft from 2.5m to 24m in length when first placed on the market
- · PWC's
- All used boats from outside EU
- Designated components
- Inboard and outboard compression ignition and spark ignition engine emissions
- Partly completed craft and ex commercial craft

Exclusions

- DIY boats or engines (with 5-year rule)
- Craft intended for racing, and labelled as such by manufacturer
- Historic replicas, (pre 1950)
- Steam powered craft
- Canoes, kayaks, gondolas, & pedalos
- Sailing surfboards, powered surfboards
- Experimental craft
- Commercial craft
- Submersibles
- Air cushion vehicles
- Hydrofoils
- Historical replica propulsion engines (pre 1950 fitted historical or DIY craft)

32 Essential requirements covering:-

- Structure, stability, buoyancy and flotation
- Sound and exhaust emissions
- Engine, gas, electrics and fuel systems
- Fire protection, means of escape, prevention from falling overboard
- Flooding and discharge protection
- Steering, visibility, handling and anchoring
- Builders plate, technical file and owner's manual & DoC

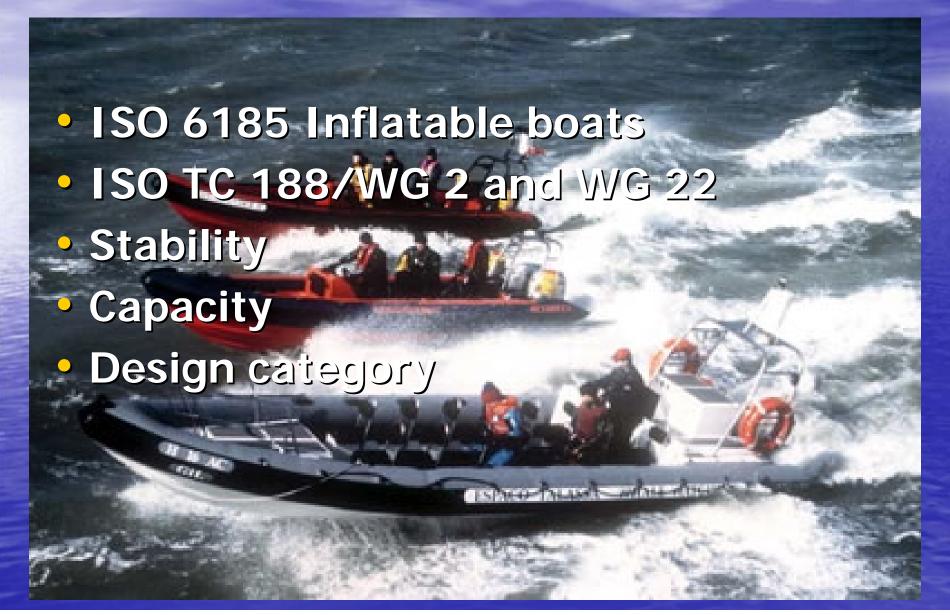
Components 'Annex II'

Components when sold separately subject to Notified Body involvement and to be CE marked

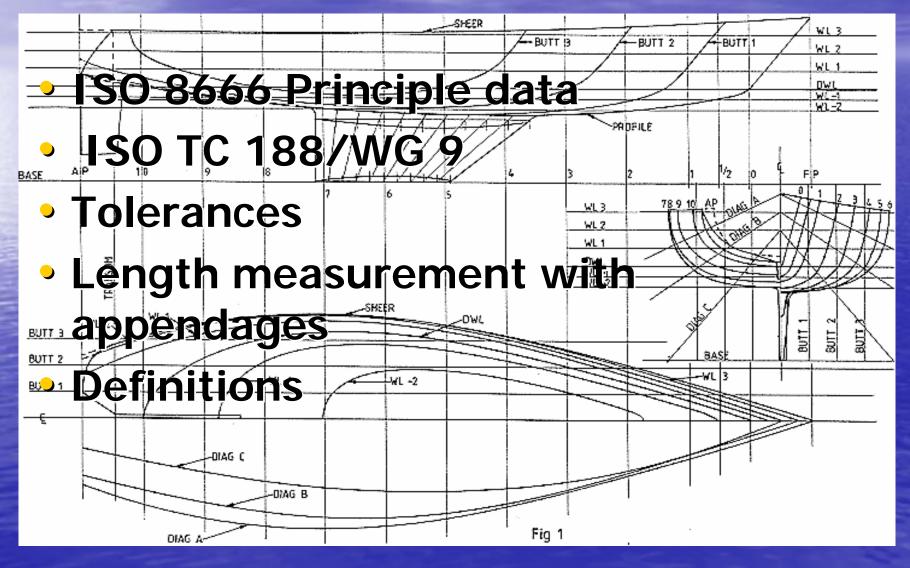
- Ignition protected equipment, start-ingear protection equipment, steering wheels and mechanisms
- Fuel tanks and fuel hoses
- Prefabricated hatches and port lights

International Standards

- ISO small craft standards adopted by CEN
- Mandated by EU Commission and referenced in EU Official Journal
- Provide presumption of conformity to RCD Essential Requirements
- Identified in Annex ZA
- Reflect international industry best practice

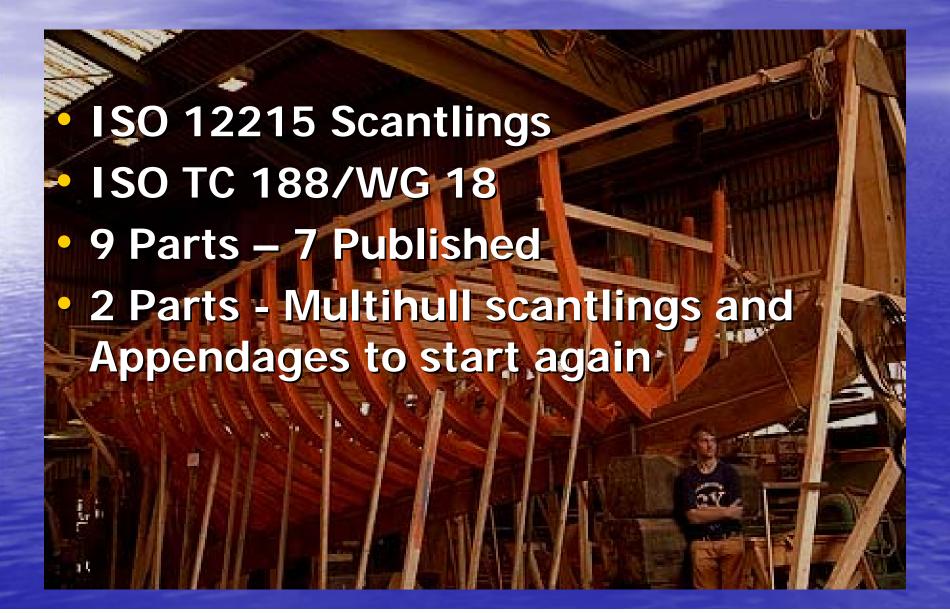


- ISO 12217 Stability and buoyancy
- SO TC 188/WG 22
- Weight of persons
- Margin of safety
- Revised 'calculated length'
- Revision to coincide with proposed RCD review on multihull escape



- ISO 9094 Fire protection
- JSO TC 188/WG 12
- Combine parts 1 and 2
- Means of escape
- Fire prevention
- Fire detection







- JSO 14895 Galley stoyes
- JSO TC 188/WG 29
- Recommendation to include: -
- Solid fuel stoves
- Diesel fired cabin hearters





ISO 16180 Navigation lights • ISO TC 188/WG 19 ISO standard formal objections EN standard 14744 proposed by CEN CEN Technical Board BT69 to resolve



- ISO 13297 and 10133 Small craft electrics
- 9 ISO TC 188/WG 10
- Potential conflict with LEC 60092-507
 Small ship standard
- Resolved at meeting ISO/IEC
- ISO retain small craft standards
- Joint working group to be formed
- Hybrid Electric propulsion

- ISO 14509 Airborne noise assessment
- ISO TC 188/WG28
- 3 Part standard –
- Part 1 Pass by measurement –
- Part 2 Reference craft -
- Part 3 Calculation & Measurement

NEXT ISO WORKING GROUP MEETINGS NOVEMBER 09

- WG 18 Scantlings
- WG 22 Stability
- WG 5 Engine systems
- WG 2 Inflatables
- WG 9 Principal data

Thank you for your attention

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