

Solas regulation for battery

Are battery storage requirements included in SOLAS?

However, for main battery system the storage requirements are included in SOLAS as batteries considered as hazardous risk source on board. In most ships, battery room is an isolated area on open deck (most commonly next to wheel house).

Do GMDSS batteries provide power to GMDSS equipments?

GMDSS batteries provide power to GMDSS equipments in case ship's main as well as emergency power fail. The requirement of GMDSS batteries is governed by Regulation 13, Chapter 4 of SOLAS. As per SOLAS, GMDSS batteries should provide power to operate GMDSS for 6 hours in case GMDSS does not have the power from emergency generators.

What are the tests and maintenance requirements for GMDSS batteries?

This document discusses the various tests and maintenance requirements for GMDSS batteries as required by SOLAS regulations. It outlines the daily on/off load test to check connections and voltage drop under load. It also describes the annual capacity test to measure battery capacity in amp-hours by discharging the battery under a known load.

How often should GMDSS batteries be recharged?

Batteries must be recharged to the required minimum in less than 10 hours. The capacity of the batteries must be checked at interval of less than 12 months. Maintaining the GMDSS batteries in excellent condition is important to have them ready in emergency. There are typically three type of tests/Maintenance done on GMDSS batteries.

Do batteries have overload protection?

Batteries are stored energy devices, meaning no overload protection is available if the battery is connected improperly or short-circuited. Always keep a voltmeter handy to verify correct polarity and expected voltage levels when connecting strings of batteries.

How long does it take a Solas to start?

The logo of SOLAS is "Safer Shipping, Cleaner Oceans". It should automatically start & come on load within 45 seconds. It should have minimum 2 modes of starting arrangement. a) Primary mode should be able to provide 3 consecutive starts. b) Secondary mode should also give 3 consecutive starts in 30 minutes.

Any fault in the battery or battery charger should not impair or reduce the functional availability of any GMDSS equipment while energized from the ship's supply.

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One of the SOLAS requirements concerns avoiding deep discharge of the battery while performing the capacity test. Deep discharge means the least voltage a battery can have.

The battery should not discharge more than 12% of nominal voltage. The battery room is designed in such a way that it will prevent spillage of electrolyte & emission spray.

CAPACITY TEST: The capacity of the battery or batteries shall be checked, using an appropriate method, at intervals not exceeding 12 months, when the ship is not at sea.

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3 The emergency source of electrical power may be either a generator or an accumulator battery, which shall comply with the following: 3.1 Where the emergency source of electrical power is a ...

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