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## INTRODUCTION

It is important that electrical installations of ships with electric and/or electronic systems operate under a wide range of environmental conditions. The control of undesired electromagnetic emission ensures that no other device on board will be unduly influenced by the equipment under consideration. On the other hand, the equipment is expected to function without degradation in the normal electromagnetic environment. It is also important to take into account special risks, for instance lightning strikes, transients from the operation of circuit breakers and electromagnetic radiation from radio transmitters.

Experience related to the EMC of non-metallic ships can be expected in the area of defence technology. But most of this information including the documents is classified and therefore not publicly available. This document was derived from the NATO document ANEP 45 (unclassified), MIL-STD-1310H (NAVY) and VG 95375 (all parts) due to lack of information from other sources, for example from yards which had already built such kind of ships.

This document can assist to achieve electromagnetic compatibility of all electrical and electronic installations in ships with non-metallic hull, for example manufactured from wood or composite.

Composite structures typically comprise of resin and fibre laminate layers combined with a core material (colloquially referred to as a "sandwich"). The most widely used being glass fibre reinforced plastic (GRP or FRP). Many composites are non-conductive and offer no inherent electromagnetic shielding. Carbon fibre technology has the important characteristic of a conductive material that can provide electromagnetic shielding.

This document should be used during the ship design process and not as a problem solving procedure. The intent is to decrease the number of special EMI/EMC problems which could occur as a consequence of the use of non-metallic constructions.

Originally, this document had been designed as a "stand-alone-document" which covers the complete field of EMC similar to IEC 60533. But with progressing work, it became more and more clear that many repetitions of requirements already contained in IEC 60533 would have been necessary to fulfil the stand-alone demand: most of the requirements are identical, no matter whether composite or metal is used.

Finally, the project team came to the conclusion that it would be better to avoid repetitions. Therefore, this document was further prepared to align with, and refer to IEC 60533.

# **ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC INSTALLATIONS IN SHIPS – ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY (EMC) – SHIPS WITH A NON-METALLIC HULL**

## **1 Scope**

This document specifies minimum requirements for emission, immunity and performance criteria regarding electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) of electrical and electronic equipment for ships with non-metallic hull.

NOTE Requirements for metallic hull are given by IEC 60533. This document acts an extension of IEC 60533 to cater for EMC effects on non-metallic hull.

This document further gives guidance on how to achieve electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) on ships whose hull (surface) is made from non-metallic material and can also be useful for ships with hull comprising of a metallic hull, but with non-metallic superstructure or components.

This document assists in meeting the requirements of IMO resolution A.813(19).

It does not specify basic safety requirements such as protection against electric shock and dielectric tests for equipment. Electromagnetic effects on human beings are not the subject of this document.

NOTE More information on 'Basic safety' can be found in IEC guide 104.

## **2 Normative references**

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60092-101, *Electrical installations in ships – Part 101: Definitions and general requirements*

IEC 60092-401, *Electrical installations in ships – Part 401: Installation and test of completed installation*

IEC 60092-507, *Electrical installations in ships – Part 507: Small vessels*

IEC 60533:2015, *Electrical and electronic installations in ships – Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Ships with a metallic hull*

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