

Annex H

Number of Persons and Freeboard

A. Permissible Number of Persons

When calculating stability, the determined number of persons shall be taken as a minimum.

This Table is to be viewed as a recommendation; deviation from it is therefore permitted where there are reasons for it.

Table H.1

Operating Category	Requirements	Comment
V, IV, III	Minimum seat surface area per person width 0,50 m depth 0,75 m ¹	(1)
II and I	Beyond the requirements of Operating Category V – III: bunk and seat in the cabin	(1) and (2)
¹ including footroom		
(1) Supply of places and spaciousness are to be commensurate with the Operating Category and voyage duration. (2) Cabin and accommodation, see Annex G.		

B. Freeboard

When calculating freeboard, the determined value shall be taken as minimum freeboard.

Tables are to be viewed as a recommendation; deviation from it is therefore permitted where there are reasons for it.

Table H.2

Minimum freeboard for open and partially decked craft ¹		Comment
Operation Category	Requirement	
V	$F_b = 0,15 + 0,15 B$ [m]	(1) (2) and (4)
IV	$F_b = 0,15 + 0,20 B$ [m]	
¹ In the case of open and partially decked craft the freeboard is the minimum distance between the flotation plane and the gunwale top edge or any opening in the shell without a watertight closure.		

Table H.3

Minimum freeboard for decked craft		Comment
Operation Category	Requirement	
IV – I	$F_b = 0,15 + 0,25 B$ [m]	(3) and (4)
(1) In the case of outboard powered craft, the freeboard shall also be maintained when one person on board is near the outboard engine (attitude when starting the engine by hand) (2) The requirements when the craft is swamped in accordance with Section 5, A.11 shall be observed. (3) If operating exclusively in Operating Category V, decked craft may have freeboards as for open and partially decked craft. (4) Craft for operation in sheltered waters may on application be given a lower freeboard.		