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TABLE 28.120(c)—SURVIVAL CRAFT FOR UNDOCUMENTED VESSELS WITH MORE THAN 16 INDIVIDUALS ON BOARD—Continued

Area	Vessel type	Survival craft required
Beyond Boundary Line, within 20 miles of coastline, warm waters.	All	Life float.
Inside Boundary Line, cold waters; or Lakes, bays, sounds, cold waters; or Rivers, cold waters.	10.97 meters (36 feet) or more in length.	Inflatable buoyant apparatus.
Inside Boundary Line, cold waters; or Lakes, bays, sounds, cold waters; or Rivers, cold waters.	Less than 10.97 meters (36 feet) in length.	Buoyant apparatus.
Inside Boundary Line, warm waters; or Lakes, bays, sounds, warm waters; or Rivers, warm waters.	All	None.
Great Lakes, cold waters	10.97 meters (36 feet) or more in length.	Inflatable buoyant apparatus.
Great Lakes, cold waters	Less than 10.97 meters (36 feet) in length.	Buoyant apparatus.
Great Lakes, beyond 3 miles of coastline warm waters Great Lakes, within 3 miles of coastline warm waters	All	Buoyant apparatus. None.

NOTE: 1. The hierarchy of survival craft in descending order is lifeboat, liferaft with SOLAS A pack, Inflatable liferaft with SOLAS A pack, Inflatable liferaft with SOLAS A pack, Inflatable liferaft with SOLAS B pack, Inflatable buoyant apparatus, life float, buoyant apparatus. A survival craft higher in the hierarchy may be substituted for any survival craft required in this table.

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§ 28.125 Stowage of survival craft.

- (a) Each inflatable liferaft required to be equipped with a SOLAS A or a SOLAS B equipment pack must be stowed so as to float free and automatically inflate in the event the vessel sinks.
- (b) Each inflatable liferaft, inflatable buoyant apparatus, and any auxiliary craft used in their place, must be kept readily accessible for launching or be stowed so as to float free in the event the vessel sinks.
- (c) Each hydrostatic release unit used in a float-free arrangement must be approved under part 160, subpart 160.062 of this chapter.
- (d) Each float-free link used with a buoyant apparatus or with a life float must be certified to meet part 160, subpart 160.073 of this chapter.

§28.130 Survival craft equipment.

- (a) General. Each item of survival craft equipment must be of good quality, effective for the purpose it is intended to serve, and secured to the craft.
- (b) Inflatable liferafts. Each inflatable liferaft must have one of the following equipment packs as shown by the markings on its container:
 - (1) Coastal Service;
- (2) SOLAS B Pack (formerly "Limited Service"); or

- (3) SOLAS A Pack (formerly "Ocean Service").
- (c) Each life float and buoyant apparatus must be fitted with a lifeline, pendants, a painter, and a floating electric water light approved under part 161 subpart 161.010 of this chapter.
- (d) Other survival craft. A vessel must not carry survival craft other than inflatable liferafts, life floats, inflatable buoyant apparatus, or buoyant apparatus, such as lifeboats or rigid liferafts, unless the survival craft and launching equipment comply with the requirements for installation, arrangement, equipment, and maintenance contained in 46 CFR part 199.

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§ 28.135 Lifesaving equipment markings.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this section, lifesaving equipment carried aboard a vessel pursuant to the requirements of this subpart or part 25, subpart 25.25 of this chapter must be marked as specified in table 28.135.
- (b) Lettering used in lifesaving equipment markings must be in block capital letters.
- (c) Retroreflective markings required by this section must be with material approved under part 164, subpart 164.018