

Lifeboat Safety Infographic

Fully Enclosed Lifeboat Launching from Stowed Position

Procedures for Launching in a Safe Atmosphere
(SOLAS Chapter III / Regulation 28)

1 INITIAL ACTIONS

- MAKE SURE HARBOR SECURING PINS ARE REMOVED.
- DISCONNECT POWER CHARGE CABLE.
- CLOSE DRAIN PLUGS.
- PLACE E.P.I.R.B. AND S.A.R.T. ON BOARD.
- BOARD WHEN ORDERED TO, TAKE A SEAT AND BUCKLE SEAT BELT.



2 ACTIONS FOR LAUNCHING

- RELEASE GRIPES AND SECURING WIRES.
- SECURE HATCHES.
- IF IN A SAFE ATMOSPHERE: OPEN VENTS.
- IF IN A DANGEROUS ATMOSPHERE: CLOSE VENTS.
- THE BOAT CREW MUST WEAR INFLATABLE LIFEJACKETS.



3 LOWER TO WATER



- ENSURE THE LAUNCHING AREA IS CLEAR.
- OPERATE BRAKE RELEASE.
- BE AWARE THAT BOAT MAY SWING DURING LAUNCH.
- LOWER BOAT AT A STEADY RATE.



4 ENTERING WATER



- LET THE BOAT SETTLE IN THE WATER.
- KEEP BRAKE OFF.
- RELEASE FALLS.
- IF FALLS DO NOT OPEN, OPERATE EMERGENCY RELEASE:
 - A) BREAK GLASS.
 - B) MOVE LEVER TO GREEN ZONE.
 - C) RELEASE FALLS.



5 LETTING GO



- START ENGINE.
- IF IN A DANGEROUS ATMOSPHERE:
 - A) OPEN AIR SUPPLY.
 - B) OPEN WATER SPRAY VALVES.
- WHEN READY RELEASE PAINTER.
- STEER AWAY FROM SHIP.



6 FINAL ACTIONS



- RESCUE ANY SURVIVORS IF SAFE TO DO SO.
- ONCE CLEAR OF SHIP, STREAM SEA ANCHORS.
- OPERATE E.P.I.R.B. AND S.A.R.T.



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