

STCW Code Table A-VI/2-1

Specification of the minimum standard of competence in survival craft and rescue boats other than fast rescue boats

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Source: IMO

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Competence	Knowledge, understanding and proficiency	Methods for demonstrating competence	Criteria for evaluating competence
Take charge of a survival craft or rescue boat during and after launch	<p>Construction and outfit of survival craft and rescue boats and individual items of their equipment</p> <p>Particular characteristics and facilities of survival craft and rescue boats</p> <p>Various types of device used for launching survival craft and rescue boats</p> <p>Methods of launching survival craft into a rough sea</p> <p>Methods of recovering survival craft</p> <p>Action to be taken after leaving the ship</p> <p>Methods of launching and recovering rescue boats in a rough sea</p> <p>Dangers associated with use of on-load release devices</p> <p>Knowledge of maintenance procedures</p>	<p>Assessment of evidence obtained from practical demonstration of ability to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> .1 right an inverted liferaft while wearing a lifejacket .2 interpret the markings on survival craft as to the number of persons they are intended to carry .3 give correct commands for launching and boarding survival craft, clearing the ship and handling and disembarking persons from survival craft .4 prepare and safely launch survival craft and clear the ship's side quickly and operate off-load and on-load release devices .5 safely recover survival craft and rescue boats, including the proper resetting of both off-load and on-load release devices <p>using: inflatable liferaft and open or enclosed lifeboat with inboard engine or approved simulator training, where appropriate</p>	<p>Preparation, boarding and launching of survival craft are within equipment limitations and enable survival craft to clear the ship safely</p> <p>Initial actions on leaving the ship minimize threat to survival</p> <p>Recovery of survival craft and rescue boats is within equipment limitations</p> <p>Equipment is operated in accordance with manufacturers' instructions for release and resetting</p>
Operate a survival craft engine	Methods of starting and operating a survival craft engine and its accessories together with the use of the fire extinguisher provided	Assessment of evidence obtained from practical demonstration of ability to start and operate an inboard engine fitted in an open or enclosed lifeboat	Propulsion is available and maintained as required for manoeuvring

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Manage survivors and survival craft after abandoning ship	<p>Handling survival craft in rough weather</p> <p>Use of painter, sea-anchor and all other equipment</p> <p>Apportionment of food and water in survival craft</p> <p>Action taken to maximize detectability and location of survival craft</p> <p>Method of helicopter rescue</p> <p>Effects of hypothermia and its prevention; use of protective covers and garments, including immersion suits and thermal protective aids</p> <p>Use of rescue boats and motor lifeboats for marshalling liferafts and rescue of survivors and persons in the sea</p> <p>Beaching survival craft</p>	<p>Assessment of evidence obtained from practical demonstration of ability to:</p> <p>.1 row and steer a boat and steer by compass</p> <p>.2 use individual items of equipment of survival craft</p> <p>.3 rig devices to aid location</p>	Survival management is appropriate to prevailing circumstances and conditions
Use locating devices, including communication and signalling apparatus and pyrotechnics	<p>Radio life-saving appliances carried in survival craft, including satellite EPIRBs and SARTs</p> <p>Pyrotechnic distress signals</p>	<p>Assessment of evidence obtained from practical demonstration of ability to:</p> <p>.1 use portable radio equipment for survival craft</p> <p>.2 use signalling equipment, including pyrotechnics</p>	Use and choice of communication and signalling apparatus is appropriate to prevailing circumstances and conditions

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Apply first aid to survivors	<p>Use of the first-aid kit and resuscitation techniques</p> <p>Management of injured persons, including control of bleeding and shock</p>	<p>Assessment of evidence obtained from practical demonstration of ability to deal with injured persons both during and after abandonment, using first-aid kit and resuscitation techniques</p>	<p>Identification of the probable cause, nature and extent of injuries or condition is prompt and accurate</p> <p>Priority and sequence of treatment minimizes any threat to life</p>