

## Coast Guard, DHS

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flexible or bent siphon tubes may be inclined not more than 80 degrees from the vertical.

(h) Where check valves are not fitted on each independent cylinder discharge, plugs or caps shall be provided for closing outlets when cylinders are removed for inspection or refilling.

(i) All cylinders used for storing carbon dioxide must be fabricated, tested, and marked in accordance with §§ 147.60 and 147.65 of this chapter.

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### § 34.15-25 Discharge outlets—T/ALL.

(a) Discharge outlets shall be of an approved type.

### § 34.15-30 Alarms—T/ALL.

(a) Spaces required to have a delayed discharge by § 34.15-10(f) which are protected by a carbon dioxide extinguishing system and are normally accessible to persons on board while the vessel is being navigated, other than paint and lamp lockers and similar small spaces, shall be fitted with an approved audible alarm in such spaces which will be automatically sounded before the carbon dioxide is admitted to the space. The alarm shall be conspicuously and centrally located and shall be marked as required by § 35.40-7 of this subchapter. Such alarms shall be so arranged as to sound during the 20-second delay period prior to the discharge of carbon dioxide into the space, and the alarm shall depend on no source of power other than the carbon dioxide.

### § 34.15-35 Enclosure openings—T/ALL.

(a) Except for cargo spaces, the operation of the carbon dioxide system shall automatically shut down any mechanical ventilation to that space. This will not be required where the carbon dioxide system is a secondary system in addition to another approved primary system protecting the space.

(b) Where natural ventilation is provided for spaces protected by a carbon dioxide extinguishing system, provisions shall be made for easily and effectively closing off the ventilation.

(c) Means shall be provided for closing all other openings to the space pro-

tected from outside such space. In this respect, relatively tight doors, shutters, or dampers shall be provided for openings in the lower portion of the space. The construction shall be such that openings in the upper portion of the space can be closed off either by permanently installed means or by the use of canvas or other material which is normally carried by the vessel.

### § 34.15-40 Pressure relief—T/ALL.

(a) Where necessary, relatively tight compartments such as refrigeration spaces, paint lockers, etc., shall be provided with suitable means for relieving excessive pressure accumulating within the compartment when the carbon dioxide is injected.

### § 34.15-90 Installations contracted for prior to January 1, 1962—T/ALL.

(a) Installations contracted for prior to November 19, 1952, shall meet the requirements of this paragraph.

(1) Existing arrangements, materials, and facilities previously approved shall be considered satisfactory so long as they meet the minimum requirements of this paragraph and they are maintained in good condition to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. Minor repairs and alterations may be made to the same standards as the original installation.

(2) The details of the systems shall be in general agreement with §§ 34.15-5 through 34.15-40 insofar as is reasonable and practicable, with the exception of § 34.15-5(d)(1) through (3) covering spaces other than cargo spaces, which systems may be installed in accordance with paragraphs (a) (4) through (7) of this section.

(3) For cargo tanks at least one pound of carbon dioxide shall be available for each 30 cubic feet of the largest cargo tank. The discharge of the required amount of carbon dioxide shall be complete within 5 minutes.

(4) In boiler rooms, the bilges shall be protected by a system discharging principally below the floor plates. Perforated pipe may be used in lieu of discharge nozzles for such systems. The number of pounds of carbon dioxide shall be equal to the gross volume of the boiler room taken to the top of the boilers divided by 36. In the event of an

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elevated boiler room which drains to the machinery space, the system shall be installed in the engineroom bilge and the gross volume shall be taken to the flat on which the boilers are installed.

(5) In machinery spaces where main propulsion internal combustion machinery is installed, the number of pounds of carbon dioxide required shall be equal to the gross volume of the space taken to the underside of the deck forming the hatch opening divided by 22.

(6) In miscellaneous spaces other than cargo or main machinery spaces the number of pounds of carbon dioxide required shall be equal to the gross volume of the space divided by 22.

(7) Branch lines to the various spaces other than cargo and similar spaces shall be as noted in Table 34.15-90(a)(7). This table is based on cylinders having discharge outlets and siphon tubes of 3/8-inch diameter.

TABLE 34.15-90(a)(7)

Number of cylinders		Nominal pipe size, inches
Over	Not over	
	2	1/2-standard.
2	4	3/4-standard.
4	6	1-extra heavy.
6	12	1 1/4-extra heavy.
12	16	1 1/2-extra heavy.
16	27	2-extra heavy.
27	39	2 1/2-extra heavy.
39	60	3-extra heavy.
60	80	3 1/2-extra heavy.
80	104	4-extra heavy.
104	165	5-extra heavy.

(b) Installations contracted for on or after November 19, 1952, but prior to January 1, 1962, shall meet the requirements of this paragraph.

(1) Existing arrangements, materials, and facilities previously approved shall be considered satisfactory so long as they meet the minimum requirements of this paragraph and they are maintained in good condition to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. Minor repairs and alterations may be made to the same standards as the original installation.

(2) The details of the systems shall be in general agreement with §§34.15-5 through 34.15-40 insofar as is reasonable and practicable with the exception that delayed discharges need not be

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provided for installations made prior to July 1, 1957.

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**Subpart 34.17—Fixed Foam Extinguishing Systems, Details**

§ 34.17-1 Application—T/ALL.

(a) Where a fixed foam extinguishing system is installed, the provisions of this subpart with the exception of §34.17-90, shall apply to all installations contracted for on or after January 1, 1962.

(b) Installations contracted for prior to January 1, 1962, shall meet the requirements of §34.17-90.

§ 34.17-5 Quantity of foam required—T/ALL.

(a) *Area protected.* (1) For machinery spaces and pumprooms, the system shall be so designed and arranged as to spread a blanket of foam over the entire tank top or bilge of the space protected. The arrangement of piping shall be such as to give a relatively uniform distribution over the entire area protected.

(2) Where an installation is made to protect an oil-fired boiler installation on a flat which is open to or can drain to the lower engineroom or other space, both the flat and the lower space shall be protected simultaneously. The flat shall be fitted with suitable coamings on all openings other than deck drains to properly restrain the oil and foam at that level. Other installations of a similar nature will be considered in a like manner.

(b) *Rate of application.* (1) The rate of discharge to foam outlets protecting the hazard shall be at least as set forth in this paragraph.

(2) For chemical foam systems with stored "A" and "B" solutions, a total of at least 1.6 gallons per minute of the two solutions shall be discharged for each 10 square feet of area protected.

(3) For other types of foam systems, the water rate to the dry-powder generators or air foam production equipment shall be at least 1.6 gallons per minute for each 10 square feet of area protected.