

**§ 95.50-15**

(b) Semiportable fire extinguishing systems shall be located in the open so as to be readily seen.

(c) If hand portable fire extinguishers are not located in the open or behind glass so that they may be readily seen, they may be placed in enclosures together with the fire hose, provided such enclosures are marked as required by § 97.37-15 of this subchapter.

(d) Hand portable fire extinguishers and their stations shall be numbered in accordance with § 97.37-23 of this subchapter.

(e) Hand portable or semiportable extinguishers, which are required on their nameplates to be protected from freezing, shall not be located where freezing temperatures may be expected.

**§ 95.50-15 Spare charges.**

(a) For all vessels other than motorboats spare charges shall be carried for at least 50 percent of each size and each variety, i.e. foam, soda-acid, carbon dioxide, etc., of hand portable fire extinguisher required by § 95.50-10(a). However, if the unit is of such variety that it cannot be readily recharged by the vessel's personnel, one spare unit of the same classification shall be carried in lieu of spare charges for all such units of the same size and variety.

(b) Spare charges shall be so packaged as to minimize the hazards to personnel while recharging the units. Acid shall be contained in a Crown stopper type of bottle.

**§ 95.50-20 Semiportable fire extinguishers.**

(a) The frame or support of each size III, IV, and V fire extinguisher required by Table 95.50-10(a) must be welded or otherwise permanently attached to a bulkhead or deck.

(b) If an approved size III, IV, or V fire extinguisher has wheels and is not required by Table 95.50-10(a), it must be securely stowed when not in use to prevent it from rolling out of control under heavy sea conditions.

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**§ 95.50-90 Vessels contracted for prior to November 19, 1952.**

(a) Vessels contracted for prior to November 19, 1952, shall meet the following requirements:

(1) The provisions of §§ 95.50-5 through 95.50-15 shall be met with the exception that existing installations in safety areas and service spaces may be maintained if in the opinion of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, they are in general agreement with the degree of safety prescribed by Table 95.50-10(a). In such cases, minor modifications may be made to the same standard as the original installation: *Provided*, That in no case will a greater departure from the standards of Table 95.50-10(a) be permitted than presently exists.

**Subpart 95.60—Fire Axes**

**§ 95.60-1 Application.**

(a) The provisions of this subpart shall apply to all vessels other than motorboats.

**§ 95.60-5 Number required.**

(a) All vessels except barges shall carry at least the minimum number of fire axes as set forth in Table 95.60-5(a). Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as limiting the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, from requiring such additional fire axes as he deems necessary for the proper protection of the vessel.

TABLE 95.60-5(a)

Gross tons		Number of axes
Over	Not over	
	50	1
50	200	2
200	500	4
500	1,000	6
1,000		8

(b) Manned barges shall carry at least two fire axes.

**§ 95.60-10 Location.**

(a) Fire axes shall be distributed throughout the spaces available to persons on board so as to be most readily available in the event of emergency.