Technical Committee 188 – Working Group 24

ISO 11591, Field of vision from the helm position

1. In attendance were representatives from Belgium, UK, USA, Finland, and France.

2. The new RCD now requires this standard to apply to all craft, including sailing craft. The previous RCD only applied to power craft.

3. Questions to be solved:
   a. What is all-around visibility?
   b. What is good all-around visibility?
   c. What are normal conditions?
   d. What is main steering position on a sailboat?

4. The WG questioned whether to exempt sailing boats. The CEN consultant determined that this standard must cover sailing craft. Added a small section covering general visibility requirements for sailing craft.

5. Added definitions for sailing craft, power driven craft, steering position for power driven and sailing craft,

6. Editorialy revised the standards for power driven craft. Revised visibility requirements to allow operator movement.

7. Next Actions: The WG will initiate an amendment to the new RCD to delete the requirement for visibility for sailing craft. In parallel, the committee draft (CD) standard will be distributed to the WG for comment containing sailing craft requirements. After review of comments, submit the standard as a DIS and expect to review DIS comments at Dusseldorf 2015.

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