

Meeting Report  
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Technical Committee 188 – Working Group 3 – Man Overboard Prevention and Recovery

ISO/WD 15085, Man overboard prevention and recovery

1. Work group participants included France, Finland, Italy, Norway, Germany and the US.
2. ISO Secretariat requests that the draft standard be submitted as a NWI.
3. Discussed the means of reboarding from the water. The WG discussed cold water, unconscious people in the water, helping people in the water, harnesses to pull people out of the water and lots of other ideas outside the scope of the standard.
4. Discussed the use of an outdrive cavitation plate as a means of reboarding. (US request) This is allowed except where the propeller is exposed. Also discussed the requirement to test the means of reboarding (US request). This test remains in the standard.
5. Added a test similar to the ABYC 400 pound test requirement. The test is an 1800N force but without failure or permanent deformation, and also included a 30% transverse force.
6. Added a requirement that any device used as a handhold must be tested as a handhold.
7. Excluded the steering wheel from the handhold requirements. But the WG discussed increasing the steering wheel load test requirements to match the handhold load tests. TBD
8. The WG discussed if safety device testing should have different test values (higher for Cat AB than with CD). To be continued. Might also look at strength per unit length for long handrails used by multiple persons.
9. Cleared up a US question of section 15 (Body support on high speed boat) concerning the length of the hull vs. length of the working deck.
10. Will add the seat test from ISO 6185-3
11. Next Action: The convener will submit the current draft as a NWI.
12. Next meeting: At the call of convener.

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