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UNIFIED INTERPRETATION OF SOLAS REGULATION XI-1/7

1 The Maritime Safety Committee, at its ninety-seventh session (21 to 25 November 2016), with a view to providing more specific guidance on the provision of suitable means for the calibration of portable atmosphere testing instruments, approved a unified interpretation of SOLAS regulation XI-1/7, as set out in the annex.

2 Member States are invited to use the annexed unified interpretation as guidance when applying SOLAS regulation XI-1/7 and to bring it to the attention of all parties concerned.

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Provision of suitable means for the calibration of portable atmosphere testing instruments

Compliance with the provision "suitable means shall be provided for the calibration of all such instruments" in SOLAS regulation XI-1/7, as adopted by resolution MSC.380(94), may be achieved by portable atmosphere testing instruments being calibrated on board or ashore in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

For the avoidance of any doubt, the above clarification refers to the calibration of portable atmosphere testing instruments, as required by SOLAS regulation XI-1/7, and not to any pre-operational accuracy tests as recommended by the manufacturer.