

# “Don’t Cure, Prevent!”

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## Subject: SOLAS Training Manuals – How to avoid the deficiency!

**Case:** During two (2) PSC Inspections at Dampier (AUS) and Newcastle (AUS) respectively, it has been reported that the SOLAS Training manuals onboard the vessel were not in accordance with **SOLAS 74/78, Ch. III, Part B, reg. 35**. As a result, the following deficiencies were recorded;

- **The SOLAS training manuals found onboard the vessel were not ship-specific. (Action code – 16)**
- **The SOLAS training manuals were not ship-specific. No instructions for lifeboat fall hook release and operation of hydrostatic interlock override. (Action code – 15)**

Similarly, during a **PaSea Marine risk audit**, it was found that:

- Three different SOLAS training manuals (see photos below) were available onboard
- Procedure for different type of survival craft and its launching procedure was included in SOLAS training manual.



**Shipyard's SOLAS Training Manual**



**Subcontractor's SOLAS Training Manual**



**Company's SOLAS Training Manual**

**The above deficiencies consist two of the most common observations made by our PaSea Auditors during Marine risk audits !!**

## Ship-specific SOLAS Manual – Why is it important?

It is of high importance that the SOLAS training manuals include vital information ensuring life protection in case of emergency and all of its sections are arranged in accordance with the vessel's specific type and equipment.

- Detailed guidelines with respect to SOLAS requirements for training in firefighting equipment and life-saving appliances should be included in the Manual
- The crew should be familiar with the fire-fighting and lifesaving procedures as per vessel's specific arrangements
- Specific Instructions for the methods of use and emergency repairing of the firefighting & life saving appliances should be described in detail within the Manual as per Maker's instructions.

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