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1 Scope

The present document specifies the minimum technical requirements for maritime two-way AM VHF radiotelephone apparatus for communications between ships in distress and rescuing aircraft. The present document incorporates relevant provisions of the ITU Radio Regulations [i.1], of IMO Resolutions A.694(17) [i.2] and MSC.80(70) [i.3] and of annex 10 to the ICAO Convention [i.4].

The maritime VHF equipment described in the present document is intended for communications on the aeronautical emergency frequencies 121,5 MHz and 123,1 MHz only.

The present document is applicable to portable and fixed installed equipment.

NOTE: This type of equipment is covered by the Maritime Equipment Directive [i.6] and its subsequent revisions.

2 References

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- [1] ETSI EN 300 225: "Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio spectrum Matters (ERM); Technical characteristics and methods of measurement for survival craft portable VHF radiotelephone apparatus".
- [2] ISO 25862:2009: "Ships and marine technology -- Marine magnetic compasses, binnacles and azimuth reading devices".
- [3] CENELEC EN 60945:2002: "Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems - General requirements - Methods of testing and required test results".
- [4] ETSI TS 103 052 (V1.1.1) (03-2011): "Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio spectrum Matters (ERM); Radiated measurement methods and general arrangements for test sites up to 100 GHz".

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- [i.1] ITU Radio Regulations 2012.
- [i.2] IMO Resolution A.694(17): "General Requirements for shipborne radio equipment forming part of the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) and for electronic navigational aids".
- [i.3] IMO Resolution MSC.80(70): "Adoption of new Performance Standards for radiocommunication equipment".