



NIUE SHIP REGISTRY

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NEW SAFETY REQUIREMENTS GUIDELINES FOR LIFTING APPLIANCES AND LOOSE GEAR – SOLAS II-1/3-13 (Circular NMC6.2025)

(A) PURPOSE

This marine circular provides guidance on the implementation of the requirements of SOLAS Regulation II-1/3-13 as adopted by Resolution MSC.532(107), together with the corresponding guidance contained in IMO MSC.1/Circ.1663, effective 01 January 2026.

(B) DEFINITIONS

The following abbreviations stand for:

1. "RO" – Recognized Organization as defined by IMO Resolution A.789(19)
2. "SOLAS" – means the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended

The following term(s) shall mean:

3. "Administration" – Niue Ship Registry

(C) REFERENCES

1. SOLAS II-1/3-13 – Adopted on 08 June 2023 by IMO Resolution MSC.532(107)
2. IMO MSC.1/Circ.1663 – Guidelines for Lifting Appliances, 28 Jun 2023
3. ILO 152 – ILO Occupational Safety and Health (Dock Work) Convention 1979

(D) APPLICATION

This circular applies to all Niue-flagged ships fitted with lifting appliances and associated loose gear.

(E) CONTENTS

1. New installations (ships constructed or retrofitted on or after 01 January 2026)

The design, construction, and installation of lifting appliances and associated loose gear shall comply with the requirements of a RO authorized by the Administration.

2. Existing installations (ships constructed or retrofitted before 01 January 2026)

2.1. Compliance with the provisions of SOLAS Regulation II-1/3-13 shall be demonstrated at the first renewal survey on or after 01 January 2026, in accordance with the procedures set out in MSC.1/Circ.1663.

2.2. Existing valid certificates or documentation, acceptable to the Administration, may be recognized as evidence of compliance.

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