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— Clause 2 has been updated;

— in 3.4, a reference to the source has been added;

— a note has been added in 4.5;

— a Bibliography has been added.

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Small craft — Craft identification — Coding system

1 Scope

This document establishes a coding system to achieve identification of any small craft in terms of:

a) identification code of the country of the manufacturer of the craft;

b) identification code of the manufacturer;

c) serial number;

d) month and year of manufacture;

e) model year.

This document is applicable to small craft of all types and materials, of hull length, L_H, up to 24 m.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 3166-1:2020, *Codes for the representation of names of countries and their subdivisions — Part 1: Country code*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminology databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at https://www.iso.org/obp

— IEC Electropedia: available at https://www.electropedia.org/

3.1
craft identification number
watercraft identification number
unique series of numerals, letters and a hyphen, permanently affixed to a craft hull

3.2
manufacturer
natural or legal person who manufactures a product, or has such a product designed and/or manufactured, and markets that product under his name or trademark

3.3
country of manufacturer
country where the *manufacturer* (3.2) who places the product on the market is established

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3.4
small craft
craft
recreational boat, and other watercraft using similar equipment, of up to 24 m length of hull (L_H)

[SOURCE: ISO 8666:2020, 3.15]

4 Composition of craft identification number

4.1 A craft identification number shall consist of 14 consecutive characters plus a hyphen as specified in 4.2 to 4.5 without intervening spaces, slashes or dashes (see example in 4.6).

4.2 The first two characters, followed by a hyphen, designate the code of the country of the manufacturer as specified in the Alpha-2 code in ISO 3166-1:2020. It is the country in which the manufacturer is established and not necessarily where the craft is manufactured (see Example).

EXAMPLE If a manufacturer established in South Africa assembles a craft in Norway, Turkey and Poland, each of those craft would bear the country code of South Africa.

4.3 The next three characters are the unique manufacturer's identification code. This code may be:

a) a unique code of the manufacturer; or

b) a code of a national authority or recognized organization.

NOTE A recognized organization is one that is authorized by a national authority.

These characters may consist of numerals and/or letters, except for the numerals 0 and 1.

4.4 The following five characters indicate the unique serial number for each individual craft.

The serial number shall consist of numerals and/or letters, except for the letters I, O and Q.

4.5 The last four characters designate the month and year of manufacture, and the model year.

The month of manufacture shall be coded according to Table 1.

Table 1 — Codes representing month of manufacture

Month	Code	Month	Code
January	A	July	G
February	B	August	H
March	C	September	I
April	D	October	J
May	E	November	K
June	F	December	L

The month and year of manufacture date shall be no earlier than the date of construction or when assembly began and no later than the date the craft leaves the place of manufacture or assembly or is placed on the market. The month of manufacture shall be indicated by the code from Table 1, the year of manufacture shall be identified by the last numeral of the production year.

The model year indicates the year when the specific craft is intended to be placed on the market.

NOTE The model year assigned to a specific craft is a period of twelve months that can extend across two calendar years. The manufacturer decides which of these is the model year.

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