
LL49 Air pipe closing devices (Regulation 20)

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Where required by Regulation 20 air pipe closing devices shall be weathertight. Closing devices shall be automatic if, while the vessel is at its draught corresponding to summer load line, the openings of air pipes to which these closures are fitted submerge at angles up to 40° or up to a lesser angle which may be agreed on the basis of stability requirements. Pressure-vacuum valves (PV valves) may, however, be accepted on tankers.

Wooden plugs and trailing canvas hoses shall not be accepted in position 1 and position 2.

NOTE

The Member Societies in formulating this interpretation realise that pressure-vacuum valves (PV valves) presently installed on tankers do not theoretically provide complete watertightness. In view, however, of experience of this type of valve and the position in which they are normally fitted it was considered they could be accepted.

Footnotes:

1. This UI is also applicable to Regulation 20 of 1988 Protocol.
2. The first and last sentences of this UI are also applicable to Reg.20(3) of the revised 1988 Protocol.

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