

## SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 15(7)

### EQUIPMENT TESTS AND RESERVE POWER CHECKS

#### 1. Daily

- (a) The proper functioning of the DSC facilities shall be tested at least once each day, without radiation of signals, by use of the means provided on the equipment.
- (b) Batteries providing a source of energy for any part of the radio installations shall be tested daily and, where necessary, brought up to the fully charged condition.

#### 2. Weekly

- (a) The proper operation of the DSC facilities shall be tested at least once a week by means of a test call, when within communication range of a coast station fitted with DSC equipment. Where a ship has been out of communication range of a coast station fitted with DSC equipment for a period of longer than one week, a test call shall be made on the first opportunity that the ship is within communication range of such a coast station.
- (b) Where the reserve source of energy is not a battery (for example, a motor generator), the reserve source of energy shall be tested weekly.

#### 3. Monthly

- (a) Each EPIRB and satellite EPIRB shall be tested at least once a month to determine its capability to operate properly using the means provided on the device and without using the satellite system.
- (b) Each search and rescue radar transponder shall be checked at least once a month for security and signs of damage.
- (c) Each survival craft two-way VHF equipment shall be tested at least once a month on a frequency other than 156.8 MHz (VHF Channel 16).
- (d) A check shall be made at least once a month on the security and condition of all batteries providing a source of energy for any part of a radio installation. The battery connections and compartment shall also be checked.