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IEC 60945	2002	Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems - General requirements - Methods of testing and required test results	EN 60945	2002
IEC 61097-2	2002	Global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS) - Part 2: COSPAS-SARSAT EPIRB - Satellite emergency position indicating radio beacon operating on 406 MHz - Operational and performance requirements, methods of testing and required test results	-	-
IEC 61097-7	1996	Global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS) - Part 7: Shipborne VHF radiotelephone transmitter and receiver - Operational and performance requirements, methods of testing and required test results	-	-
IEC 61162-1	- <sup>1)</sup>	Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems - Digital interfaces - Part 1: Single talker and multiple listeners	EN 61162-1	2000 <sup>2)</sup>
IEC 61162-2	- <sup>1)</sup>	Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems - Digital interfaces - Part 2: Single talker and multiple listeners, high-speed transmission	EN 61162-2	1998 <sup>2)</sup>
IEC 61260	1995	Electroacoustics - Octave-band and fractional-octave-band filters	EN 61260	1995

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IMO A.861(20)	- <sup>1)</sup>	Performance standards for shipborne voyage data recorders (VDRs)	-	-
IMO MSC.81(70)	- <sup>1)</sup>	Testing of life saving appliances	-	-
IMO MSC.163(78)	- <sup>1)</sup>	Performance standards for shipborne simplified voyage data recorders (S-VDR)	-	-
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ITU-R M.633-3	2004	Transmission characteristics of a satellite emergency position-indicating radiobeacon (satellite EPIRB) system operating through a low polar orbiting satellite system in the 406 MHz band.	-	-
Eurocae:ED56A Amendment 1	- <sup>1)</sup>	Minimum operational performance specification (MOPS) for cockpit voice recorder system	-	-
VESA	1996	Video electronics standards association - Discrete monitor timings standard 1.0, Revision 0.7 (DMT)	-	-
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## INTRODUCTION

The S-VDR has been introduced by IMO for fitting to existing ships as a simplified alternative to the voyage data recorder (VDR) which is required for all new ships.

This part of IEC 61996 provides information on the testing requirements for S-VDR as defined in IMO performance standard MSC.163(78).

The specification for S-VDR differs significantly from that for VDR in two areas:

- a) the requirements for monitoring certain sensors are reduced when the data is not provided in IEC 61162 format, and
- b) the requirements for the protective S-VDR capsule are different from the VDR capsule, both for the fixed and float-free versions.

Annex B provides a cross-reference between this standard and IEC 61996-1 to aid test houses who may already have test results for VDRs which are being submitted as S-VDRs.

Subsequent to publishing the performance standard for S-VDR, MSC.163(78), in 2004, the IMO sub-committee on Safety of Navigation (NAV) at its fifty-first session in June 2005, discussed the issue of download and playback of information. Recognising that after an accident there is a need for investigators to be able to download the stored data and playback the information from VDRs/S-VDRs without delay, the sub-committee agreed on recommended means for extracting stored data for investigation authorities as SN/Circ.246. This Circular is reproduced as Annex C and its recommendations are referenced in this standard.

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methods of testing and required test results**

## 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61996 specifies the minimum performance requirements, technical characteristics and methods of testing, and required test results, for simplified shipborne voyage data recorders (S-VDRs) as required by IMO MSC.163(78). It takes into account IMO resolution A.694(17) and is associated with IEC 60945. When a requirement in this standard is different from IEC 60945, the requirement in this standard takes precedence.

NOTE All text of this standard, whose wording is identical to that of IMO MSC.163(78) or A.861(20) is printed in *italics*, and the Resolution and associated performance standard paragraph numbers are indicated in brackets.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

IEC 60068-2-27:1987, *Environmental testing – Part 2: Tests – Test Ea and guidance: Shock*

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IEC 60945:2002, *Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems – General requirements – Methods of testing and required test results*

IEC 61097-2:2002, *Global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS) – Part 2: COSPAS SARSAT EPIRB – Satellite emergency position-indicating radio beacon operating on 406 MHz – Operational and performance requirements, methods of testing and required test results*

IEC 61097-7:1996, *Global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS) – Part 7: Shipborne VHF radiotelephone transmitter and receiver – Operational and performance requirements, methods of testing and required test results*

IEC 61162-1, *Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems – Digital interfaces – Part 1: Single talker and multiple listeners*

IEC 61162-2, *Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems – Digital interfaces – Part 2: Single talker and multiple listeners, high-speed transmission*

IEC 61260:1995, *Electroacoustics – Octave-band and fractional-octave-band filters*

IMO A.658(16): *Use and fitting of retro-reflective materials on life-saving appliances*

IMO A.662(16): *Performance standards for float-free release and activation arrangements for emergency radio equipment*

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IMO A.861(20): *Performance standards for shipborne voyage data recorders (VDRs)*

IMO MSC.81(70): *Testing of life saving appliances*

IMO MSC.163(78): *Performance standards for shipborne simplified voyage data recorders (S-VDR).*

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VESA:1996, *Video electronics standards association – Discrete monitor timings standard 1.0, Revision 0.7 (DMT)*

SAE AS 8045:1988, *Engineering Society for advancing mobility land sea air and space – Minimum performance standard for underwater locating devices – acoustic-self-powered*

### **3 Terms, definitions and abbreviations**

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

#### **3.1 Definitions**

##### **3.1.1**

##### **activation of a suitable alarm**

mutable audible alarm and persistent visual indication, given according to the requirements of IMO A.830(19) but with an audible level in the range of 55 dBA to 65 dBA

##### **3.1.2**

##### **combined EPIRB/S-VDR capsule**

a single unit which meets all the requirements of a satellite EPIRB (as required by the carriage requirements of SOLAS IV) and all the requirements of a S-VDR (as required by the carriage requirements of SOLAS V)

**3.1.3****bridge work station**

position at which a person is expected to be when performing one of the normal bridge duties at, for example, the following work stations:

- centre line conning
- bridge wing(s)
- main radar
- chart table
- helms
- communication

**3.1.4****data**

any item of information received by the S-VDR for recording, including numerical values, text and audio or radar signals, except where specifically stated or the context dictates otherwise

**3.1.5**

**dedicated reserve power source** (MSC.163(78) 4.5)

*secondary battery, with suitable automatic charging arrangements, dedicated solely to the S-VDR, of sufficient capacity to operate it as required by 4.5.3*

**3.1.6**

**final recording medium** (MSC.163(78) 4.3)

*any item of hardware on which the data is recorded such that access to it would enable the data to be recovered and played back by use of suitable equipment*

**3.1.7**

**playback equipment** (MSC.163(78) 4.4)

*any equipment, compatible with the recording medium and the format used during recording, employed for recovering the data. It includes also the display or presentation hardware and software that is appropriate to the original data source equipment*

**3.1.8**

**recorder (S-VDR)** (MSC.163(78) 4.1)

*complete system, including any items required to interface with the sources of input data, for processing and encoding the data, the final recording medium in its capsule, the power supply and dedicated reserve power source*

**3.1.9****resolution**

smallest detectable increment between two values

**3.1.10**

**sensor** (MSC.163(78) 4.2)

*any unit external to the S-VDR to which the S-VDR is connected and from which it obtains data to be recorded*

**3.2 Abbreviations**

AIS	Automatic identification system
ALR	IEC 61162 sentence: Set alarm state
DPT	IEC 61162 sentence: Depth relative to the transducer
DTM	IEC 61162 sentence: Geodetic datum reference
EPFS	Electronic position fixing system
EPIRB	Emergency position-indicating radio beacon