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Part 4: "Class E DSC";

Part 5: "Handheld VHF Class H DSC";

Part 6: "Class M DSC";

Part 7: "Interfacing DSC radio equipment to Bridge Alert Management systems (BAM)";

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# 1 Scope

The present document states the minimum requirements for equipment to be used for generation, transmission and reception of Digital Selective Calling (DSC) for use on board ships.

DSC is intended to be used in the Medium Frequency (MF), High Frequency (HF) and Very High Frequency (VHF) bands of the Maritime Mobile Service (MMS), for distress, urgency and safety communication and general communications.

The present document is part 1 of a multi-part deliverable that covers the requirements to be fulfilled by:

- DSC equipment integrated with a transmitter and/or a receiver;
- DSC equipment not integrated with a transmitter and/or a receiver.

These requirements include the relevant provisions of the ITU Radio Regulations [i.17] and Recommendations ITU-R M.493-15 [2], M.541-10 [3], M.689-3 [4] and M.1082-1 [5], the International Convention for the Safety Of Life At Sea (SOLAS) [i.16], and the relevant resolutions of the International Maritime Organization (IMO).

Equipment for generation, transmission and reception of DSC designed according to the following equipment classes:

- Class A: includes all the facilities defined in annex 1 of Recommendation ITU-R M.493-15 [2] and complies with the IMO Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) carriage requirements for MF/HF installations and/or VHF installations.
- Class D: provides minimum facilities for VHF DSC distress, urgency and safety as well as routine calling and reception as recommended by IMO MSC/Circ.803 [i.2] for non-SOLAS vessels participating in the GMDSS.
- Class E: provides minimum facilities for MF and/or HF DSC distress, urgency and safety as well as routine calling and reception as recommended by IMO MSC/Circ.803 [i.2] for non-SOLAS vessels participating in the GMDSS.
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- Class M: provides minimum facilities for VHF Man Overboard devices as defined in Recommendation ITU-R M.493-15 [2].

**NOTE 1:** Class A equipment may support the optional semi-automatic/automatic service in accordance with Recommendations ITU-R M.689-3 [4], M.1082-1 [5] and M.493-15 [2], tables A1-4.10.1 and A1-4.10.2 and are encouraged to do so.

**NOTE 2:** Class D and Class E equipment may also support the optional semi-automatic/automatic service.

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- [2] Recommendation ITU-R M.493-15 (2019): "Digital selective-calling system for use in the maritime mobile service".
- [3] Recommendation ITU-R M.541-10 (2015): "Operational procedures for the use of digital selective-calling equipment in the maritime mobile service".
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- [7] IEC 61162-1:2016: "Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems - Digital interfaces - Part 1: Single talker and multiple listeners".
- [8] IEC 61162-2:1998 (Ed. 1.0): "Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems - Digital interfaces - Part 2: Single talker and multiple listeners, high-speed transmission".
- [9] IEC 61162-3:2008+AMD1:2010+AMD2:2014 (Ed. 1.2): "Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems - Digital interfaces - Part 3: Serial data instrument network"
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- [i.3] Report Recommendation ITU-R M.501: "Digital selective-calling system for future operational requirements of the maritime mobile service".
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- [i.6] ETSI EN 301 925: "Radiotelephone transmitters and receivers for the maritime mobile service operating in VHF bands; Technical characteristics and methods of measurement".

- [i.7] ETSI EN 301 033: "Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio spectrum Matters (ERM); Technical characteristics and methods of measurement for shipborne watchkeeping receivers for reception of Digital Selective Calling (DSC) in the maritime MF, MF/HF and VHF bands".
- [i.8] ETSI EN 301 025: "VHF radiotelephone equipment for general communications and associated equipment for Class "D" Digital Selective Calling (DSC); Harmonised Standard covering the essential requirements of articles 3.2 and 3.3(g) of Directive 2014/53/EU".
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- [i.11] ETSI EN 302 885: "Portable Very High Frequency (VHF) radiotelephone equipment for the maritime mobile service operating in the VHF bands with integrated handheld class H DSC; Harmonised Standard covering the essential requirements of articles 3.2 and 3.3(g) of Directive 2014/53/EU".
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## 3 Definition of terms, symbols and abbreviations

### 3.1 Terms

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms apply:

**B-state:** condition when transmitting the higher of the two Digital Selective Calling (DSC) frequencies

**critical error:** set of information characters obtained from one or more received DSC messages is considered to have critical errors if the automated procedure needs information characters from that set in order to proceed or perform any task, but the required information characters are in error

**EXAMPLE:** An acknowledgement cannot be composed to an individual DSC message that has errors in the sender's MMSI.

**distress alert:** single DSC sentence containing the distress format character and the distress information

**distress alert attempt:** complete set of distress alerts used during the transmission stage

**NOTE:** Usually an attempt consists of 5 distress alerts sent without a break.

**distress class call:** special set of DSC messages that contain the distress information and whose frequency of subsequent communication is taken implicitly from the frequency on which the DSC message is sent

**NOTE:** They include the distress alert, distress relay, distress alert acknowledgement, and distress relay acknowledgement.