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## Foreword

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# Large yachts — Weathertight doors — Strength and weathertightness requirements

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies technical requirements for weathertight hinged, sliding, and pantograph doors for manual and powered operation providing access to accommodation and service areas on large yachts, taking into account the location of the appliance.

This International Standard only considers design loads applied to the door and transmitted into the frame and the adjacent structure. Loads imparted from the yacht's structure into the door or in its associated frame are not considered in this International Standard.

Unframed glazed doors are outside the scope of this International Standard.

Forward facing multi-leaf doors on the weather deck are outside the scope of this International Standard.

Large yachts are of  $L$  greater than or equal to 24 m, in use for sport or pleasure and commercial operations.

The appliances considered in this International Standard are primarily those that are intended to achieve weathertightness as required by International Convention on Load Lines 1966 as amended by the Protocol of 1988 (ICLL), (i.e. those fitted in position 1 and position 2) as defined in this regulation.

**NOTE** This International Standard is based on the experience of ship door, window, and glass manufacturers, shipbuilders, and authorities who apply to ships the regulations of the ICLL, noting the provisions of Article 8 "equivalents", as agreed by the appropriate marine administration

## 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 6345, *Shipbuilding and marine structures — Windows and side scuttles — Vocabulary*

ISO 11336-1:2012, *Large yachts — Strength, weathertightness and watertightness of glazed openings — Part 1: Design criteria, materials, framing and testing of independent glazed openings*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 6345, ISO 11336-1, and the following apply.

### 3.1

#### **certifying authority**

flag administration or the organization delegated by the flag administration

### 3.2

#### **door**

closing appliance for an access opening in a vertical plane

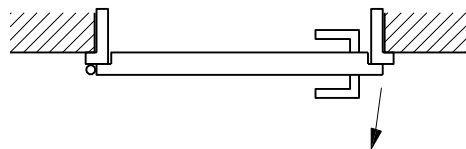
Note 1 to entry: This is an assembly consisting of one or more opening leaves and a frame that is permanently secured to the yacht's structure.

### 3.2.1

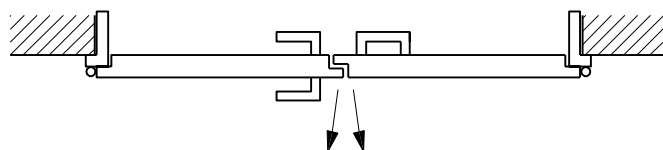
#### **hinged door**

door where *leaf/leaves* (3.6) is/are fixed and pivoted on one edge and generally open(s) outwards

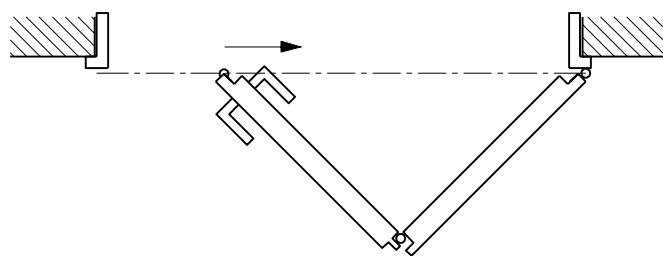
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**Figure 1 — Hinged door, single leaf**



**Figure 2 — Hinged door, double leaf**



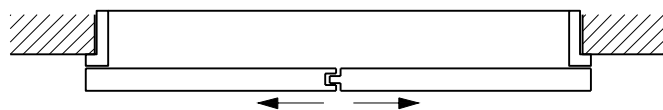
**Figure 3 — Sliding door, folding type**

### 3.2.2

#### **sliding door**

door where *leaf/leaves* (3.6) is/are free to slide in a vertical plane and leaf/leaves are secured at the top and the bottom

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 4](#).



**Figure 4 — Sliding door, double leaf**

### 3.2.3

#### **pantograph door**

plug door fixed on a cantilever hinge either from the top or the side

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 5](#).



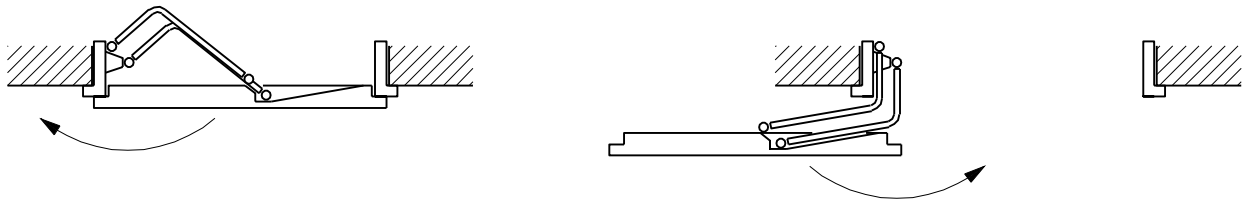


Figure 5 — Pantograph door

### 3.3

#### flag administration

government of the state whose flag the yacht flies

### 3.4

#### forward facing position

any vertical surface within  $20^\circ$  normal to transverse axis

Note 1 to entry: See [Figure 6](#).

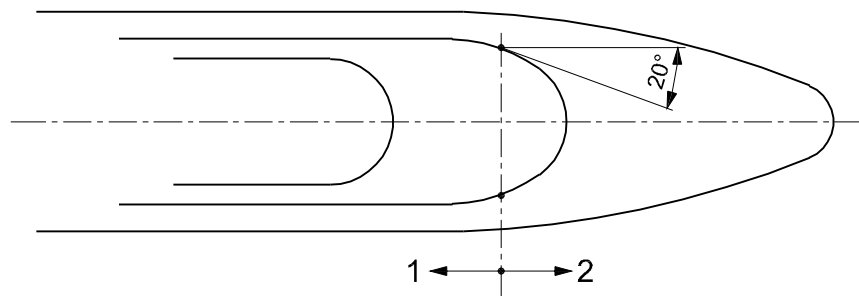


Figure 6 — Forward facing position

### 3.5

#### glazing

transparent or translucent pane installed in door *leaf/leaves* ([3.6](#))

[SOURCE: ISO 11336-1:2012, 3.6, modified]

### 3.6

#### leaf

#### leaves

opening section of a door assembly

### 3.7

#### operation mode

allowed mode to open and close the door, manually or by a power drive mechanism

#### 3.7.1

##### manually operated door

door that is opened and closed by hand

#### 3.7.2

##### power operated door

door that is opened and closed by electrical or hydraulic motor

### 3.8

#### storm shutter

portable protective closure fitted to the glazing and which is fitted on the outside

### 3.9 weather deck

uppermost complete weathertight deck extending to the side shell fitted as an integral part of the vessel's structure and which is exposed to the sea and weather

## 4 Symbols and abbreviated terms

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| $a$        | smaller side of plate panel   |
| $AP$       | aft end of the load line length ( $L$ )   |
| $A_s$      | shear area of stiffeners and frames   |
| $\alpha$   | aspect ratio of single plate field  |
| $b$        | larger side of plate panel  |
| $b'$       | breadth of deckhouse at the position considered                                       |
| $B'$       | breadth of ship on the exposed weather deck at the position considered                |
| $c_a$      | aspect ratio coefficient of plate panel   |
| $c_B$      | block coefficient   |
| $c_L$      | factor based on vessel length   |
| dsw        | deepest seagoing waterline  |
| $f_B$      | factor based on the breadth of the deckhouse in relation to the breadth of the vessel |
| $f_L$      | factor based on longitudinal location   |
| $f_{pl}$   | material factor   |
| $\gamma_m$ | safety factor for structural resistance   |
| $h$        | vertical distance from dsw to midpoint of plate field or stiffener                    |
| $h_f$      | additional height above   |
| $h_{sill}$ | vertical distance from dsw to top of door sill  |
| $h_{std}$  | standard superstructure height  |
| $k$        | factor considering end conditions for bending   |
| $L$        | load line length  |
| $l$        | unsupported span of stiffener   |
| $m$        | factor considering aspect ratio of load distribution                                  |
| $n$        | factor relating to location and vessel length   |
| $p_d$      | design pressure   |
| $q$        | factor considering end conditions for shear   |
| $R_{eH}$   | yield strength  |

$R_{p0,2}$  offset yield strength at 0,2 % plastic deformation

$R_m$  tensile strength

$s$  spacing of stiffeners

$\sigma_a$  allowable stress

$t_k$  addition for corrosion or production tolerance

$W_{sf}$  section modulus of stiffeners

$x$  distance between midpoint of door considered and  $AP$

## 5 Design Criteria

### 5.1 General

NOTE Other International Standards and regulations, e.g. dealing with stability, buoyancy, watertight and weathertight integrity, and fire safety, can have restrictions on the position of appliances which are outside the scope of this International Standard and which are, therefore, not treated here. It is, however, necessary for the builder or user to ensure that the appliances comply with other relevant International Standards.

All door leaves shall be permanently attached or retained (as applicable to door type) to the frame and/or adjacent structure in which they are fitted. All doors shall be arranged such that the external loads are transferred in compression to the door frame or to the adjacent structure.

Doors forming part of the designated escape routes shall also comply with the requirements of [5.6](#).

### 5.2 Location

The height of the lower edge of the opening above the respective deck shall not be less than the sill height specified in the applicable national or international regulations. Weathertight doors as specified in this International Standard shall not be installed in positions below the freeboard deck, in the superstructure side or if considered buoyant in the stability calculation. See [Figure 7](#).

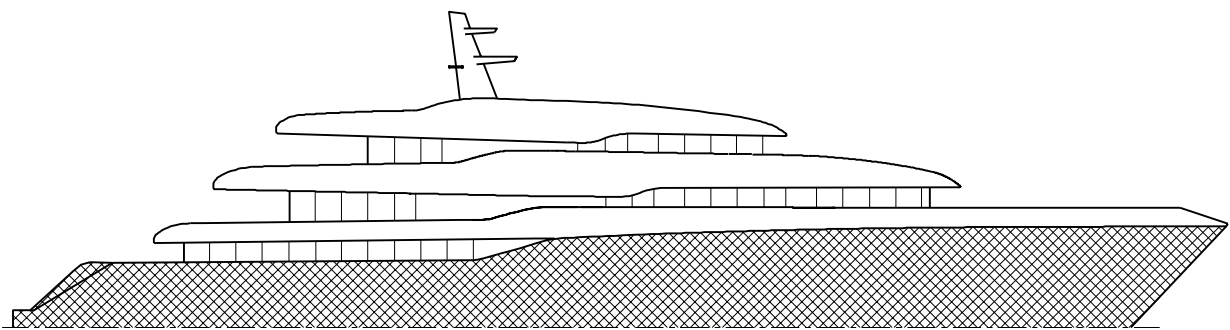


Figure 7 — Area where weathertight doors are not permitted

### 5.3 Material

The materials for the construction of the doors and frames made of steel or aluminium with dimensions as defined in [5.4.3](#) and properties appropriate for marine applications shall comply with the requirements of the certifying authority.

Where doors and/or frames are made of composite material or wood, the pressure requirements given in [5.4.2](#) may be applied with special considerations given to the strength and stiffness taking into account equivalent factors of safety.

Where the door incorporates glazing, the requirements of ISO 11336-1 shall be applied.

NOTE Unframed glazed doors are outside the scope of this International Standard.

## 5.4 Strength

### 5.4.1 General

The strength of doors shall meet the requirements of this International Standard or of the relevant International Standards cited in the normative references when applicable. To achieve equivalency with ICLL, only external hydrostatic loads coming from weather and sea conditions are considered for the application of this International Standard.

The yacht's structure shall be sufficiently stiffened to take the external loads from the door. Where other than external loads are required to be considered for safe operation and structural integrity, they are to be appropriately addressed.

### 5.4.2 Design Pressures

The design pressure,  $p_d$ , in  $\text{kN/m}^2$  is given by:

$$p_d = n (f_L c_L - h) f_B$$

where

- $n$  is the factor relating to location and vessel length;
  - is equivalent to  $20 + L/12$  for unprotected fronts with  $h_{\text{sill}} \leq h_1$ ;
  - is equivalent to  $10 + L/12$  for unprotected fronts with  $h_1 < h_{\text{sill}} \leq h_2$ ;
  - is equivalent to  $5 + L/15$  for unprotected fronts with  $h_{\text{sill}} > h_2$  and for sides and protected fronts;
  - is equivalent to  $7 + 0,01 L - 8 x/L$  for aft ends with  $x/L \leq 0,5$ ;
  - is equivalent to  $5 + 0,01 L - 4 x/L$  for aft ends with  $x/L > 0,5$ ;
- $f_L$  is the factor based on longitudinal location;
  - is equivalent to  $1,0 + [(x/L - 0,45)/(c_B + 0,2)]^2$  for  $x/L \leq 0,45$ ;
  - is equivalent to  $1,0 + 1,5 [(x/L - 0,45)/(c_B + 0,2)]^2$  for  $x/L > 0,45$ , for aft ends  $c_B = 0,8$ ;
- $c_L$  is the factor based on vessel length;
  - is equivalent to  $0,1 L e^{(-L/300)} \leq 11,0$ ;
- $f_B$  is the factor based on the breadth of the deckhouse in relation to the breadth of the vessel;
  - is equivalent to  $0,3 + 0,7 b'/B' \geq 0,475$ ;
- $h_{\text{sill}}$  is the vertical distance from dsw to top of door sill, in m;
- $h$  is the vertical distance from dsw to midpoint of plate field or stiffener, in m;
- $h_1$  is equivalent to  $h_{\text{std}} + h_f$ ;
- $h_2$  is equivalent to  $2 h_{\text{std}} + h_f$ ;

- $h_{std}$  is the standard superstructure height, in m;  
is equivalent to  $1,05 + 0,01 L$ , with  $1,8 \leq h_{std} \leq 2,3$ ;
- $h_f$  is the additional height above  $dsw$ ;  
is equivalent to  $0,6 - 0,22 (L/100)^3 + 1,03 (L/100)^2 + 0,48 (L/100)$ ;
- $c_B$  is the block coefficient with  $0,6 \leq c_B \leq 0,8$ ;
- $b'$  is the breadth of deckhouse at the position considered, in m;
- $B'$  is the breadth of ship on the exposed weather deck at the position considered, in m;
- $L$  is the load line length, in m ;  
is equivalent to  $\leq 300$  m;
- $x$  is the distance between midpoint of door considered and  $AP$ ;
- $dsw$  is the deepest seagoing waterline.

In no case  $p_{dp}$  is to be taken less than  $= 8,5$  kPa.

### 5.4.3 Scantlings

For doors of conventional design, i.e. plated and stiffened construction, the following requirements shall be met.

The scantlings shall be dimensioned such that under load the function of the seal is not compromised.

#### 5.4.3.1 Plating

The thickness of the plating is to be not less than the following:

- $t$  is equivalent to  $15,8 a (p_d/1,125/\sigma_a)^{0,5} c_a + t_k$ ;  
is equivalent to  $\geq 3,0$  mm;
- $a$  is the smaller side of plate panel, in mm;
- $b$  is the larger side of plate panel, in mm;
- $\alpha$  is the aspect ratio of single plate field;  
is equivalent to  $a/b (\leq 1,0)$ ;
- $c_a$  is the aspect ratio coefficient of plate panel;  
is equivalent to  $[(3 + \alpha^2)^{0,5} - \alpha] 3^{-0,5}$ ;
- $\sigma_a$  is the allowable stress;  
is equivalent to  $R_{eH} f_{pl} / \gamma_m$ ;
- $t_k$  is the addition for corrosion or production tolerance;  
is equivalent to 0,5 mm for steel and aluminium;
- $f_{pl}$  is the material factor;

is equivalent to  $R_m/(1,5 R_{eH})$ ;

is equivalent to  $\leq 1,0$ ;

$R_{eH}$  is the yield strength, in N/mm<sup>2</sup>;

is equivalent to  $R_{p0,2}$  for aluminium;

$R_m$  is the tensile strength, in N/mm<sup>2</sup>;

$\gamma_m$  is the safety factor for structural resistance;

is equivalent to 1,1 for steel and aluminium.

#### 5.4.3.2 Framing and stiffening

The section modulus of stiffeners and frames  $W_{sf}$ , in cm<sup>3</sup>, is not to be less than the following:

$W_{sf}$  is equivalent to  $825/6 s l^2 p_d k / \sigma_a$ ;

$s$  is the spacing of stiffeners, in m;

$l$  is the unsupported span of stiffener, in m;

$m$  is the factor considering aspect ratio;

is equivalent to  $(s/l)/6 [4 - (s/l)^2]$  with  $s \leq l$ ;

$k$  is the factor considering end conditions for bending;

is equivalent to  $0,75 - m^2$  for both ends simply supported;

is equivalent to  $0,75 - 0,925 m^2$  for one end fixed;

is equivalent to  $0,5 - 0,75 m^2$  for both ends fixed.

The shear area of stiffeners and frames  $A_s$ , in cm<sup>2</sup>, is not to be less than the following:

$A_s$  is equivalent to  $8,66 p_d s l q / \sigma_a$ ;

$q$  is the factor considering end conditions for shear;

is equivalent to  $1 - m$  for both ends fixed or simply supported;

is equivalent to  $1,25 - m - 0,308 m^2$  for one end fixed, at fixed end;

is equivalent to  $0,75 - m + 0,308 m^2$  for one end fixed, at free end.

The maximum deflection of the stiffening members should not exceed  $l/150$ .

#### 5.4.4 Doors of unconventional design

Doors of alternative arrangement shall be designed using the pressures from [5.4.2](#) considering the allowable stresses and deflections calculated according to [5.4.3](#).

Alternative methods of calculations or tests may be considered. Particular attention shall be paid to the boundary conditions used at the edge of the door and the modelling of the support.

## 5.5 Sealing and securing

The design of the door shall be such that when it is closed and secured, the weathertight integrity of the deckhouse or superstructure is maintained.

The quality of the resilient packing material forming the seal shall be satisfactory for service under marine conditions and shall provide effective and lasting sealing and resealing properties when the door is tightened under normal conditions.

When the means of securing is by powered system, the weathertight integrity shall be ensured even in the case of power failure. Inflatable seals shall not be used as primary means of securing. Where inflatable seals are utilized, it shall be proven that weathertight integrity is maintained even with a deflated seal. Hinges and/or fixings shall be arranged such that the door gasket provides sufficient sealing when the door is in the closed position.

## 5.6 Operational requirements

### 5.6.1 General requirements

All doors in designated in escape routes shall be operable from both sides.

Hinged doors shall be arranged to open outwards and for such doors located in the deckhouse sides the hinges shall be on the forward edge.

Where the doors are intended to be operable at sea, they shall be capable of being opened and closed at the same angles of heel. All doors shall remain secured against forces resulting from the yacht's accelerations in any direction.

The angles given under [Table 1](#) are to be considered as minimum operational values for doors located in escape ways and in addition minimum basic requirements for doors that may be used at sea. Where the door cannot meet the required angles in [Table 1](#), they shall be secured at sea, and such arrangements shall be recorded in the yacht's operational manual and require indication on the bridge.

**Table 1 — Minimum angle of heel and trim to be considered when designing the doors**

|               | Heel<br>(perpendicular to centre line) | Trim<br>(parallel to centre line) |
|---------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Motor yacht   | 25°                                    | 10°                               |
| Sailing yacht | 30°                                    | 10°                               |

In addition power operated doors shall comply with [5.6.2](#).

### 5.6.2 Power operated doors

Power operated doors shall remain secured even in the event of power failure.

Where doors have a powered drive mechanism, they shall be capable of operation manually or by means of an alternative power backup.

## 6 Installation

The door shall be arranged such that the design load defined in [5.4.2](#) can be efficiently transferred into the adjacent structure.

The door assembly shall be permanently attached to the adjacent structure.

## 7 Glazing

If the door leaf is glazed, it shall be in accordance with ISO 11336-1.

## 8 Testing

### 8.1 Weathertightness

#### 8.1.1 Hose test

The test shall be carried out as follows:

- 200 kN/m<sup>2</sup> at a rate of 10 l per minute, directed at door from a distance of 1,5 m;
- nozzle directed at periphery of door  $\pm 50$ mm at an angle of no more than 45 ° and a track of 2 m/min with a minimum test time of 3 min.

Other testing methods can be required at the discretion of the certifying authority, based upon equivalency considerations.

#### 8.1.2 Allowable water ingress

During hose testing minor seepage of water up to 0,5 l within 3 min, through any part of the door, is permissible.

### 8.2 Structural testing

When calculations or FEA are not effective in demonstrating the strength and stiffness of the door structure alternative testing can be carried out through representative loading by evenly distributed weights or hydraulic or hydrostatic force.

The following issues shall be agreed with the certifying body:

- load;
- duration;
- test assembly.

## 9 Documentation for Servicing and Operation

The manufacturer shall provide documentation with the power operated door including the following items:

- installation and initial set-up;
- maintenance and servicing intervals including functionality checks (including sensors, calibration, etc.);
- list of essential spares and materials (e.g. seals, belts, drivetrain components);
- emergency operation procedure.



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