



Large Yacht Services of the
Maritime and Coastguard Agency



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The Large Commercial Yacht Code (LY3)

(changes subject to consultation and government agreement)

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What has happened to LY2 Ed.3?

- UK General Election 5th May 2010
- A new government with new policies:
 - new legislation “one in, one out”
 - no additional financial burden to the industry
- Completion of MLC 2006 substantial equivalence for crew accommodation



LY3 Amendments

- LY3 is a major update of the yacht code.
 - Chapter 16 (Radio) changed.
 - Includes MLC ‘Substantial Equivalence’ for crew accommodation.
 - Amendments resulting from
 - Experience applying LY2, Edition 2
 - Industry feedback
 - Accidents.
 - Clarify some text and correct errors.



LY3 Amendments

- A new Radio communications section.
 - Bringing the carriage requirements for all new yachts in line with GMDSS 'sea area' concept.
 - Existing yachts continue with distance from 'safe haven'
 - Increasing the reserve source of energy for <300GT from 1 to 3 hours.



MLC 2006

New yachts will be required to comply with Maritime Labour Convention (MLC) 2006

- LY3 contains a ‘substantial equivalence’ allowing yachts to comply more easily
- Lower costs to industry, avoid need for major change to existing designs



LY3 Amendments

- Updated Polar region operational guidance.
- Standards for over side working rails
 - MGN 422 gives details.
- Submersibles
 - Inclusion of relevant guidance/requirements.
- Lint traps in laundry extract ducts.



LY3 Amendments

For New yachts:

- Sailing yacht 'Rig Design Certificate'
 - Mast, spars standing rigging to Class standards.
- Underwater lights to be of an approved type.
- Critical systems
 - Cabling should not pass through high risk areas.



LY3 Amendments

For new yachts:

- Rescue boat & launching appliance not to be forward of the collision bulkhead and capable of launch down a flat section of the hull.
- Galley boundaries <500 GRT B-15.
- A fixed means of fire extinguishing in the galley exhaust duct. Shut downs to be located outside the space at risk.
- Personnel lifts to be to class standards.



LY3 Amendments

- Updates to maintain equivalence to SOLAS & Load Line conventions:
 - Oversize & Infant lifejackets
 - LRIT – All yachts should now comply.
 - Bridge Navigation Watch Alarm System (BNWAS) for yachts over 150GT.
 - Emergency towing procedures in SMS
 - 230mm between the deepest loaded waterline and the bottom edge of side shell door .
- Update other convention references



What happens next?

- Impact (cost of compliance) assessment for the changes to the code submitted to DfT.
- Seek DfT Minister agreement to consult.
- 3 month public consultation.
- Consider responses with Large Yacht Code Working Group.
- Re-submit final draft code and revised impact assessment to Minister for agreement.
- Launch at Monaco boat show 2012



The Future?

- Review LY3 after 5 years
 - New developments & customer requirements
 - New technologies



Questions?

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