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The Boat Safety Scheme

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State



United Kingdom

3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards Policy Unit

3. Originating Department

Department of the Environment

4. Notification Number

96/0001/UK

5. Title

The Boat Safety Scheme

6. Products Concerned

The scheme will apply to boats in use on those inland waterways adopting it.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

A. The scheme sets out safety standards for craft using British Waterways' (BW) and the National Rivers Authority's (NRA) inland waterways which are not subject to EC Directive 94/25/EC on Recreational Craft. It explains which vessels it applies to, what procedures the owners of boats need to go through to demonstrate their boats meet the standards, and how the scheme would complement and not overlap with the requirements of EC Directive 94/25/EC on Recreational Craft. Explanation is also given about how the scheme which currently quotes a number of British Standards (BS) would be amended to reflect the CEN standards being developed to support EC Directive 94/25/EC. BS ENs are also quoted in the scheme but British Standards are quoted where no European equivalent currently exists.

B. The United Kingdom would like to be informed by other Member States of their own standards and regulations offering an equivalent level of safety.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Both BW and NRA have a duty to promote the safe control and operation of their waterways. The scheme provides the means by which to carry out this duty. The two navigation authorities also recognise the benefits to them and to boaters using their waterways of having a common set of boat safety standards to work to. The scheme meets this need by consolidating and updating various boat safety standards which have been in place for many years on BW's and NRA's waterways. Other inland navigation authorities in Britain



have expressed an interest in adopting the scheme and this would help to establish a single set of safety standards across the inland waterway network in Britain.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- i. The Boat Safety Scheme
- ii. -
- iii. -

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

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12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

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14. Fiscal measures

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