

# **Passenger ships: safety rules and standards**

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**PURPOSE** : to amend the safety rules for passenger ships. **COMMUNITY MEASURE** : Commission Directive 2002/25/EC amending Council Directive 98/18/EC on safety rules and standards for passenger ships. **CONTENT** : When Directive 98/18/EC was adopted, international conventions including the 1974 International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS Convention) were in force. Amendments to the SOLAS Convention and other international codes have come into force since Directive 98/18/EC was passed. This Directive takes account of the changes by replacing Annex 1 to Directive 98/18/EC with the new international instruments. **DATE FOR TRANSPOSITION** : 15/10/02. **ENTRY INTO FORCE** : 15/04/02. **DATE OF APPLICATION** : 01/01/03, unless otherwise specified in the Annex.