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Based on ABYC's assessment of the existing technology, and the problems associated with achieving the goals of this standard, ABYC recommends compliance with this standard for all boats and associated equipment manufactured and/or installed after July 31, 2018.

31.1 PURPOSE

This document is intended for the qualification of electronic systems and electronic components for use onboard boats.

31.2 SCOPE

This document, or any specific section thereof, applies when referenced or specified in any ABYC standard. Applicable pass/fail criteria and testing levels are dictated by the referencing standard.

31.3 REFERENCES

The following references form a part of this standard. Unless otherwise noted, the latest version of the referenced standards shall apply.

31.3.1 ABYC - American Boat & Yacht Council, Inc., 613 Third St. Suite 10, Annapolis, MD 21403 Phone: (410) 990-4460 Fax: (410) 990-4466. Website: www.abycinc.org.

E-11, AC & DC Electrical Systems on Boats

31.3.2 CFR - Code of Federal Regulations and other government publications. May be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Information, PO Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954. Phone: (202) 512-1800. Fax: (202) 512-2104. Website: www.access.gpo.gov. An excerpted edition of the CFR is also available from ABYC, Inc.

33 CFR 183

31.3.3 IEC - International Electrotechnical Commission, 3, rue de Varembé, P.O. Box 131 CH - 1211 GENEVA 20 Switzerland, Phone: +41 22 919 02 11 Fax: +41 22 919 03 00 Website: www.iec.ch

CISPR12, Vehicles, boats, and internal combustion engine driven devices – Radio Disturbance Characteristics

EN 60945, Maritime Navigation and Radiocommunication Equipment and Systems

IEC 60068, Environmental Testing

IEC 60092, Electrical Installations on Ships

IEC 60533, Electrical and Electronic Installations in Ships

IEC 61000, Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC)

31.3.4 Lloyd's Register – 71 Fenchurch Street, London EC3M 4BS, England. Phone: +44 (0) 20 7709 9166. Fax: +44 (0) 20 7488 4796. Website: www.lr.org

Lloyd's Register, Type Approval System Procedure TA01 – 2002

31.3.5 SAE - Society of Automotive Engineers, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096. Phone: (724) 776-4970. Fax: (724) 776-0790. Website: www.sae.org

SAE J1113-2, Electromagnetic Compatibility Measurement Procedures and Limits for Vehicle Components (Except Aircraft)--Conducted Immunity, 15 Hz to 250 kHz--All Leads

31.4 DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this standard the following definitions apply.