

# SC 275 Suitable number of spare air cylinders to be provided in connection with drills

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**SOLAS II-2/15.2.2.6 (as added by Res. MSC.338(91), applicable from 01 July 2014)**

*“2.2.6 An onboard means of recharging breathing apparatus cylinders used during drills shall be provided or a suitable number of spare cylinders shall be carried on board to replace those used.”*

## Interpretation

“A suitable number of spare cylinders” to be carried on board to replace those used for fire drills shall be at least one ‘set of cylinders’ for each mandatory breathing apparatus, unless additional spare cylinders are required by the shipboard safety management system (SMS).

‘Set of cylinders’ means the number of cylinders which are required to operate the breathing apparatus.

No additional cylinders are required for fire drills for breathing apparatus sets required by SOLAS Reg. II-2/19, IMSBC Code, the IBC Code or IGC Code.

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## Note:

1. This Unified Interpretation is to be uniformly implemented by IACS Societies for all ships from 1 January 2017.
2. Rev.1 of this UI is to be uniformly implemented by IACS Societies for all ships from 1 January 2017.

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