



RULE MANAGEMENT GROUP

THE VOLVO OPEN 70 RULE

PUBLIC INTERPRETATION NO.19

This public interpretation is given in accordance with rule 1.3 of the Volvo Open 70 Rule Version 2

Question:

Rule 8.7.1 states *“One or two watertight lockers of solid construction, solely for the stowage of emergency equipment, shall be permanently installed between the Aft Bulkhead and the Main Bulkhead....”*

Rule 8.7.2 states *“The emergency equipment locker(s) shall have the following total minimum internal dimensions, 660mm x 920mm x 540mm, which shall not be interrupted by any internal structure....”*

1. If two emergency equipment lockers are installed, do the dimensions given in rule 8.7.2 refer to the total dimension of each individual locker, or to the total dimensions and volume of the combined lockers?
2. If the dimensions apply to the total dimensions and volume of the combined lockers, are there any additional requirements on the dimensions of the individual lockers?

Interpretation:

1. The dimensions are those required of the combined lockers.
2. Provided all of the equipment listed in NOR A1.2, A1.3, A1.7, A2.3 & A2.5 can be safely fitted and secured within the lockers, and the lockers made watertight, there are no further specific dimensional requirements of the individual lockers. However, attention is drawn to rule 8.1, Practical Requirement.

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Signed on behalf of the Volvo Open 70 Rule Management Group

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