

MSC Guidelines for Review of Suppression in Galley Ducts

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References	<input type="checkbox"/> SOLAS II-2/9.7.5.1.3 (previously II-2/32.1.9.3)
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Reference Text	“...a fixed means for extinguishing a fire within the duct.”
Guidance	Fixed extinguishing systems should be sized to provide protection for the entire volume of ducting between the dampers required by 9.7.5.1.2.
Background	Given the large length of typical main galley ventilation ducts, it is necessary to clarify the extent of fixed extinguishing protection within the duct.
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