

Offshore Special Regulations

5.02.2 Tethers

A submission from the Vice-Chair, Special Regulations Sub-Committee

Purpose or Objective

The purpose of this proposal is to reduce confusion.

Proposal

MoMu0,1,2,3	5.02.2	A <u>tether</u> that shall:
MoMu0,1,2,3		a) comply with <u>ISO</u> 12401 or equivalent,
MoMu0,1,2,3		b) not exceed 2 m (6'-6") including the length of the hook(s),
MoMu0,1,2,3		c) have self-closing hook(s),
MoMu0,1,2,3		d) have overload indicator flag embedded in the stitching, and
MoMu0,1,2,3		e) be manufactured after 2000.
MoMu0,1,2,3	5.02.3	either:
MoMu0,1,2,3		a) a <u>tether</u> not exceeding 1 m (3'-3") including the length of the hook(s), or
MoMu0,1,2,3		b) an intermediate self-closing hook on a 2 m (6'-6") <u>tether</u> .

Current Position

The proposal is a marked-up version of the current position.

Reasons

1. Tethers are sold either with a hook at each end, or a hook at one end, in which case the loop at the other end is attached using a cow hitch.
2. By using the plural 'hooks' the OSR implies that only tethers with a hook at each end is permitted. The proposed change to 'hook(s)' removes this implication.