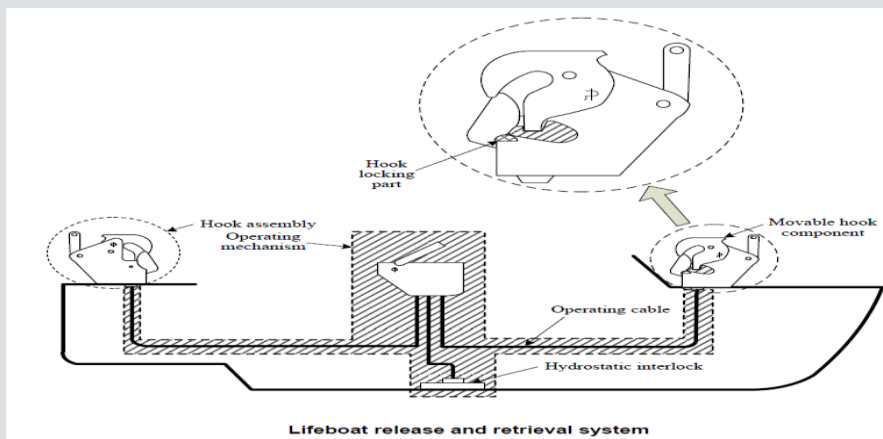


**KISH P & I LOSS PREVENTION CIRCULAR KPI-LP-128-2013**  
**(A reminder about the Replacement of Lifeboat Release and Retrieval Systems)**

Owners and operators of existing ships that lifeboat on-load release and retrieval systems (OLRMs) which do not comply with paragraphs 4.4.7.6.4 to 4.4.7.6.6 of the revised LSA Code must be replaced no later than the first scheduled dry-docking of the ship after 1 July, 2014, but, in any case, no later than 1 July, 2019. "Existing ships" means ships constructed (having their keels laid) before 1 July, 2014.

To assess the compliance of existing OLRMs with the revised LSA Code, they have been evaluated in accordance with IMO Circular MSC.1/Circ.1392. The assessment results and supporting documentation can be found in the IMO Global Integrated Shipping Information System (GISIS) database.



**Definitions:**

1. **Lifeboat release and retrieval system** is the means, by which the lifeboat is connected to, and released from, the lifeboat falls for lowering, launch and retrieval. It comprises the hook assembly and operating mechanism.
2. **Hook assembly** is the mechanism, attached to the lifeboat, which connects the lifeboat to the lifeboat falls.
3. **Movable hook component** is that part of the hook assembly in direct contact with the connection with the lifeboat falls which moves to enable release from the falls.
4. **Hook locking part** is the component(s) within a hook assembly which holds the movable hook component in the closed position until activated by the operating mechanism to release the hook. This activation may be performed through other components within the hook assembly.
5. **Operating mechanism** is the means by which the operator activates the opening, or release, of the movable hook component. It includes the operating handle, linkages/cables and hydrostatic interlock, if fitted.