



FIRE & EMERGENCY SIGNAL

- STEADY RINGING OF THE GENERAL ALARM BELLS AND RAPID RINGING OF THE SHIP'S BELL FOR AT LEAST TEN SECONDS.

ABANDON SHIP SIGNAL

- MORE THAN SIX SHORT BLASTS AND ONE LONG BLAST ON THE SHIP'S WHISTLE AND THE SAME SIGNAL ON THE GENERAL ALARM BELLS. (COMMISSIONED SHIPS PASS THE WORD & SOUND THE GENERAL ALARM.)

PASSENGER PARTICIPATION

- PASSENGERS PARTICIPATE ONLY IN ABANDON SHIP DRILLS. DURING OTHER DRILLS STAND BY IN YOUR QUARTERS.

LIFE PRESERVERS

- LIFE PRESERVERS WILL BE FOUND IN RACKS, ON BUNKS, OR ON BULKHEADS. ADDITIONAL LIFE PRESERVERS ARE STOWED ON DECK.

- CHILDREN'S LIFE PRESERVERS ARE OBTAINED FROM SHIP'S PERSONNEL AFTER EMBARKING.

- ALL PASSENGERS MUST DON LIFE PRESERVERS WHEN THE GENERAL ALARM SOUNDS.

- PUT ON YOUR LIFE PRESERVER AS YOU WOULD A VEST. TIGHTEN AND SECURE THE TIES AT WAIST AND NECK (ALSO AT COLLAR IF IT HAS ONE). THEN FASTEN THE CHEST STRAP SNAP HOOK.

- LEG STRAP'S ARE LEFT IN POCKETS AT THE BACK AND NEED NOT BE FASTENED AT DRILLS. THEY ARE USED BEFORE ENTERING AND WHEN IN THE WATER.

YOUR BOAT STATION IS No. _____

WILLIAMSON TURN

THE WILLIAMSON TURN CONSIST OF PUTTING THE RUDDER OVERHARD IN THE DIRECTION OF THE SIDE WHICH THE MAN FELL OVERBOARD WHILE MAINTAINING ENGINE SPEED.

AT THE PRECISE INSTANT THE SHIP'S HEAD REACHES 70° FROM THE ORIGINAL COURSE, SHIFT THE RUDDER, STEADY UP ON THE RECIPROCAL OF THE ORIGINAL COURSE.

AS SOON AS THE SHIP IS STEADY ON THE RECIPROCAL COURSE, STOP THE ENGINES AND THE SHIP WILL DRIFT TO THE APPROXIMATE POSITION AT WHICH THE MAN FELL OVERBOARD.

SHIPS USING THIS MANEUVER AT NORMAL SPEEDS REPORT THAT IT IS EFFECTIVE IN VARIOUS WIND AND SEA AND CONSUMES ABOUT FIVE(5) MINUTES MORE THAN BACKING DOWN OR CIRCLING.

THE ADVANTAGE OF THE WILLIAMSON TURN DURING DARKNESS OR REDUCED VISIBILITY IS OBVIOUS.

