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1. (a) NFPA Document Title Standard for the Control of Gas Hazards on Vessels NFPA No. & Year 306 - 2009

(b) Section/Paragraph 4.6.2(3)

2. Proposal Recommends (check one):  new text  revised text  deleted text

3. Proposal (include proposed new or revised wording, or identification of wording to be deleted): [Note: Proposed text should be in legislative format; i.e., use underscore to denote wording to be inserted (inserted wording) and strike-through to denote wording to be deleted (~~deleted wording~~).]

~~4.6.2(3)\* Unless otherwise stated on the Certificate, all spaces including adjacent spaces documented on the Marine Chemist Certificate shall be re-inspected daily, or more often as necessary, by the shipyard competent person in support of work prior to entry or recommencement of work.~~

4.6.2(3)\* Unless otherwise stated on the Certificate, certified spaces including spaces adjacent to hot work, where work is being done shall be re-inspected daily, or more often as necessary, by the shipyard competent person, prior to entry or external hot work.

A.4.6.2(3) The intent of this wording is to clarify that spaces listed on the Marine Chemist Certificate do not need to be tested by the competent person unless work is being done on or in a space. For example, spaces on a certificate do not need to be tested and inspected on a weekend if no work or entry is taking place. However, nothing shall prevent a competent person from testing more frequently than the minimum.

4. Statement of Problem and Substantiation for Proposal: (Note: State the problem that would be resolved by your recommendation; give the specific reason for your Proposal, including copies of tests, research papers, fire experience, etc. If more than 200 words, it may be abstracted for publication.)

The current wording is confusing and this new wording helps clarify when a competent person re-inspection is needed. An addition to the annex provides the intent of the mandatory section.

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