

# Article 1.08 - Construction, rigging and crews of vessels

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1. Vessels and [assemblies of floating material](#) shall be so constructed and rigged as to ensure the safety of those on board and safe navigation and to be able to satisfy the requirements of these regulations.
2. All [vessels](#), except vessels in a [pushed convoy](#) other than the pusher, shall have a crew sufficient in number and sufficiently skilled to ensure the safety of those on board and safe navigation. However, non-[motorized vessels](#) in a [side-by-side formation](#) and some of the towed vessels in a rigid group are not required to have a crew if the vessel propelling the side-by-side formation or rigid group, or keeping it safely stopped, has a crew sufficiently large and skilled to ensure the safety of those on board and safe navigation.
3. The requirements set out in paragraphs 1 and 2 above are considered to be complied with when the ship has a ship's certificate, issued in accordance with the Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (Resolution No. 61), or other recognized ship's certificate, and when the construction and the equipment of the vessel correspond to the content of the ship's certificate
4. Without prejudice to paragraph 3, the individual life-saving equipment listed in No. 44 of the ship's certificate shall be available for distribution and shall correspond to the number of adult and child passengers.