

GUIDE FOR

PORTABLE ACCOMMODATION MODULES JANUARY 2013

NOTICE NO. 3 – June 2018

The following Changes were approved by the ABS Rules Committee on 1 June 2018 and become **EFFECTIVE AS OF 1 JUNE 2018.**

(See <http://www.eagle.org> for the consolidated version of the Guide for Portable Accommodation Modules 2013, with all Notices and Corrigenda incorporated.)

Notes - The date in the parentheses means the date that the Rule becomes effective for new construction based on the contract date for construction, unless otherwise noted. (See 1-1-4/3.3 of the ABS Rules for Conditions of Classification – Offshore Units and Structures (Part 1).)

SECTION 2 DESIGN REVIEW OF MODULE

23 Structural Requirements

(Revise Paragraph 2/23.17, as follows:)

23.17 Doors and Other Closing Appliances (1 June 2018)

Opening and closing appliances are to be framed and stiffened so that the whole structure is equivalent to the unpierced bulkhead when closed. Door plating and stiffeners are to be sized in accordance with 2/23.3 and 2/23.5.

Doors are to be provided with a minimum sill height of 150 mm (6 in.). Ventilation openings are to be provided with a sill height of 900 mm (35.5 in.). Alternatively, the module may be installed elevated above the deck.

Doors on exterior bulkheads are to be of steel or other equivalent material, and are to be provided with gaskets and a minimum of two clamping devices (such as dogs) installed opposite two door hinges. Alternatively, latches may be used in lieu of clamping devices, except for the doors fitted on the unprotected front bulkhead on the lowest tier. In addition to the weather tightness test as required in 3/5, external doors are to be tested for fire integrity ratings, where applicable.

External doors need not be self-closing; however, they are to be fitted with a notice on both sides of the door stating that the doors are to be kept closed. Doors are to be operable from both sides.