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## Foreword

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The procedures used to develop this document and those intended for its further maintenance are described in the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 1. In particular, the different approval criteria needed for the different types of ISO documents should be noted. This document was drafted in accordance with the editorial rules of the ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2 (see [www.iso.org/directives](http://www.iso.org/directives)).

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 8, *Ships and marine technology*, Subcommittee SC 1, *Maritime safety*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 24409-1:2010), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- addition of the definition and use of “fire control plan sign”;
- deletion of references to “mimic signs”;
- updated graphics from ISO 7010; and
- updated graphics from ISO 24409-2.

A list of all parts in the ISO 24409 series can be found on the ISO website.

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**ISO 24409-1:2020(E)****Introduction**

The growth of international travel by ship has created a need to provide people travelling and working on board ships with signs and associated systems that communicate consistent and effective safety information. The ISO 24409 series specifies a system of safety and fire control plan signs on ships and other marine installations that is generally consistent with standardized signs with which many will have gained familiarity in other applications.

As such, the ISO 24409 series clarifies and supplements existing requirements set out in SOLAS regulations II-2/13.3.2.5.1, III/9.2.3 and III/11.5, and in ISO 17631. However, it is directly applicable to shipboard safety and fire control plan signs only, and does not deal with graphical symbols to be used on shipboard plans or documentation used for professionals.

This document spells out general design principles applicable to all types of shipboard safety and fire control plan signs. Specific signs are catalogued in ISO 24409-2, and their application on ships is specified in ISO 24409-3. Shipboard plans for general emergency information will be specified in a future part<sup>1)</sup> in the ISO 24409 series.

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1) Planned for future work: ISO 24409-4, *Ships and marine technology — Design, location and use of shipboard safety signs, safety-related signs, safety notices and safety markings — Part 4: Shipboard plans for general emergency information.*



# Ships and marine technology — Design, location and use of shipboard safety signs, fire control plan signs, safety notices and safety markings —

## Part 1: Design principles

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### 1 Scope

This document specifies general design principles for shipboard safety signs, fire control plan signs, markings and notices intended to communicate safety-related information to persons on board ships.

### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 3864-1, *Graphical symbols — Safety colours and safety signs — Part 1: Design principles for safety signs and safety markings*

ISO 3864-3:2012, *Graphical symbols — Safety colours and safety signs — Part 3: Design principles for graphical symbols for use in safety signs*

ISO 3864-4, *Graphical symbols — Safety colours and safety signs — Part 4: Colorimetric and photometric properties of safety sign materials*

ISO 7010, *Graphical symbols — Safety colours and safety signs — Registered safety signs*

ISO 15370, *Ships and marine technology — Low-location lighting (LLL) on passenger ships — Arrangement*

ISO 17398, *Safety colours and safety signs — Classification, performance and durability of safety signs*

ISO 17724, *Graphical symbols — Vocabulary*

IMO, *International Safety Management (ISM) Code*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 17724 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>