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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 INDEX OF APPENDICES TO IALA RECOMMENDATION R0124 (A-124) ON THE AIS SERVICE

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2.4 IEC REFERENCES

The IEC test standards apply to the Class A and Class B shipborne mobile AIS stations. Due to the co-operative nature of the AIS as a whole, these IEC test standards need to be considered in the document to the extent that functionality of these mobile stations require certain AIS shore station functionality. Also, the test section of the present document was informed by the IEC test standards for Class A and Class B shipborne mobile AIS stations. In addition, the Presentation Interface message definitions contained in IEC 61162-series have been used and adapted to the needs of AIS shore stations.

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3 GLOSSARY OF TERMS

The following Table includes a list of terms used within this Recommendation. A brief description of these terms is included.

Table 1 Definitions of terms used in Recommendation R0124 (A-124)

| Term | Definition |
|---|--|
| AIS service | An information service for shore-based applications like VTS, traffic management schemes, ship reporting systems and other shore-based safety-related services. This service consists of information delivery between ships and shore and vice versa. |
| Basic AIS Service (BAS) | A Basic AIS Service (BAS) is a discrete service of the AIS Service that can be represented as a mnemonic which in turn represents the functional delivery of a defined set of data items. Basic implies that it is one consistent fundamental functionality (or lowest level component) of the AIS Service. |
| Channel management | The capability to control AIS stations behaviour on the VDL |
| Data Link Management message (message 20) | Actual FATDMA reservations are being made by transmitting the Data Link Management message (message 20) from an AIS Base station to mobile AIS stations |
| Equatorial Orbit | Having Plane Angle near 0° |
| External BAS | The external BAS are those BAS which deliver AIS data to and from the shore based system. Hence, the external BAS also comprise the data flow from ship to shore and from shore to ship (and other traffic objects). External BAS are the functional interface of the AIS Service to other shore-based technical services. |
| FATDMA block | A FATDMA block consists of consecutive slots |

| Term | Definition |
|--|--|
| FATDMA block size | The FATDMA block size is the number of consecutive slots of a block |
| FATDMA epoch | AIS time period of 6 minutes |
| FATDMA epoch number | A unique number allocated to each epoch within 1 hour |
| FATDMA increment | The FATDMA increment is the offset of slots between the first slot of the first FATDMA block and the first slot of the next FATDMA block of the same FATDMA reservation in the same frame |
| FATDMA offset number | Every FATDMA reservation has a parameter FATDMA offset number. The FATDMA offset number denotes the offset from the slot in which Data Link Management Message (message 20) was received to the first slot of the first FATDMA block to be reserved by the receiving station |
| FATDMA reservation | A FATDMA reservation is an announcement of a base station to create one or more FATDMA block(s) using the FATDMA reservation parameters |
| FATDMA reservation Number N | Each Data Link Management message can include up to four (4) FATDMA reservations |
| FATDMA reservation parameters | Each FATDMA reservation is described by the offset number, block size, reservation timeout, increment |
| FATDMA reservation time out | This value indicates, how many minutes the FATDMA reservation should be considered valid by the mobile AIS stations |
| FATDMA start slot | The FATDMA start slot is the slot number of the first slot of the first FATDMA block within a frame |
| FATDMA Slot Map | Specific plan for FATDMA use in an area |
| Galileo | European global navigation satellite system |
| Geostationary or Geostationary Earth Orbit | A geostationary orbit, or Geostationary Earth Orbit (GEO), is a circular orbit 35,786 kilometres (22,236 mi) above the Earth's equator and following the direction of the Earth's rotation. An object in such an orbit has an orbital period equal to the Earth's rotational period, and thus appears motionless, at a fixed position in the sky, to ground observers. |
| Garbling | Two or more AIS stations transmit on the same time slot |
| IMO resolution MSC.140(76) | Recommendation for the protection of the AIS VHF Data link |
| Internal BAS | The Internal BAS are those which are needed to manage the AIS VHF Data Link or gather information on the AIS VDL and/or external AIS (mobile) stations needed for the technical operation of the AIS Service. They are not visible to |

| Term | Definition |
|----------------------------------|--|
| | the remainder of the shore based system, i.e., cannot be accessed by other technical services. |
| ITU-R M.1371-4 | Technical characteristics for an automatic identification system using time-division multiple access in the VHF maritime mobile band |
| Keplerian Element | An orbital ellipse around the Earth in a plane angle |
| Latency | The time required from the moment the data is collected over an area of interest to the time that data is delivered to the user. |
| Low Earth Orbit | Satellites travelling about 27,400 km/h at a distance between 650km and 800km. A Single revolution takes approximately 90 minutes. |
| Medium Earth Orbit | Medium Earth orbit (MEO), sometimes called intermediate circular orbit (ICO), is the region of space around the Earth above low Earth orbit (altitude of 2,000 kilometres (1,243 mi)) and below geostationary orbit (altitude of 35,786 kilometres (22,236 mi)). |
| Plane Angle or Inclination | The angle of tilt between the orbit and the equator. Near 0° tilt is an equatorial orbit, and near 90° is polar orbit. |
| Polar Orbit | Having a Plane Angle near 90° |
| Requesting service | A client of the AIS Service that initiates a data exchange |
| Revisit Time | The time between each pass of a satellite in a constellation over a given area of interest which is a function of orbit and inclination of the satellite. |
| RF/VHF domain equipment | RF-/VHF domain equipment consists of the means to establish the VDL between the different AIS stations. Antennas, cables and filters are components of the RF-/VHF-equipment. |
| Ship Density | The population of ships within the satellite footprint. Typically 5000 km for LEO satellites |
| Spectrum De-collision Processing | Receivers on Satellites capable of detecting and digitizing the RF spectrum for the AIS channels and then processing the raw spectrum files to control the noise floor and reconstruct collided messages with highly specialized software algorithms. |
| spurious transmissions | One-shot FATDMA transmissions |
| Tag Block | Metadata appended to an AIS Message as defined in NMEA 0183 vX.XX |
| Usage Category | Sub-division of Usage Designation |
| Usage Designation | Specific use for a FATDMA allocation |
| VDL loading | Number of occupied slots on the AIS VDL |



| Term | Definition |
|-------------------------|--|
| VDL load management | Measures to minimize the loading of the AIS VDL |
| VDL Overload | Insufficient slots are available for the transmission of AIS Class A mobile stations |
| VDL Monitoring | Measuring the use of the AIS VDL |
| VDL usage stake holders | Potential users of FATDMA Designations |
| VHF Data Link | VHF data link (VDL) is understood as the medium for exchange of data between different AIS stations; by default, using ITU-assigned channels AIS1 and AIS2 in the VHF maritime mobile service band. The channels AIS1 and AIS2 are divided in time slots; 1 minute consists of 2250 slots per channel, giving in total 4500 slots. |

2 ABBREVIATIONS

Table 2 AIS specific abbreviations used in Recommendation R0124 (A-124)

| Abbreviation | Definition |
|--------------|---|
| A_DYN | Dynamic ship data from Class A shipborne mobile AIS stations |
| A_STAT | Static ship data from Class A shipborne mobile AIS stations |
| A_VOY | Voyage related ship data from Class A shipborne mobile AIS stations |
| ABM | Address Binary Message |
| ACA | AIS Channel Assignment (message) |
| ACK | Acknowledgement |
| AIS | Automatic Identification System |
| AIS1 | Internationally harmonised AIS VHF Marine Band radio channel |
| AIS2 | Internationally harmonised AIS VHF Marine Band radio channel |
| AIS-LSS | AIS Logical Shore Station |
| AISM | Association Internationale de Signalisation Maritime |
| AIS-PCU | AIS PSS Controlling Unit |
| AIS-PSS | AIS Physical Shore Station |
| AIS-SM | AIS Service Management |
| AOI | Area Of Interest |
| ASC_AD | Addressed Application Specific data Container |
| ASC_BR | Broadcast Application Specific data Container |
| ASCII | American Standard Code for Information Interchange |
| ASGN | Assignment |
| ASGN_RATE | Reporting rate assignment of AIS mobile station |
| ASGN_SLOT | Assignment of AIS mobile station into protected area (protected time slots) |
| ASM | Application Specific Message |
| AtoN | Aids to Navigation |
| ATON_DAT | Data from AtoN AIS stations |
| B_DAT | Ship data from Class B shipborne mobile AIS stations |
| BAS | Basic AIS Service |
| BBM | Broadcast Binary Message |
| BS | Base Station |
| CDS | Centralized Data Storage |
| CH_MAN | Channel management |
| CH_MON | Monitors the AIS VDL and provides relevant data to requesting service |

| Abbreviation | Definition |
|---------------------|---|
| CMDS | Common Maritime Data Structure |
| COG | Course Over Ground |
| Compass | Chinese global navigation satellite system |
| CS | Carrier Sense |
| CSSA | Common Shore Based System Architecture |
| CSV | Comma Separated Value |
| DAC | Designated Area Code |
| DG | Dangerous Goods |
| DGNSS | Differential Global Navigation Satellite System |
| DGNSS_COR | DGNSS Corrections as received from AIS Service |
| DSC | Digital Selective Calling |
| DTE | Data Terminal Equipment |
| EAIS | Encrypted AIS |
| ECB | Electronic Code Box |
| ECDIS | Electronic Charts Display Information System |
| EEZ | Exclusive Economic Zone |
| e-NAV | Electronic Navigation |
| e-NAVxx | Electronic Navigation XX session |
| EPFD | Electronic Position-Fixed Device |
| EPFS | Electronic Position Fixing System |
| ETA | Estimated Time of Arrival |
| FATDMA | Fixed Access TDMA |
| FCI | Function Component Identifier |
| FI | Function Identifier |
| FOV | Field Of View |
| FTP | File Transfer Protocol |
| GEO | Geostationary Earth Orbit |
| GLONASS | Global Navigation Satellite System |
| GMDSS | Global Maritime Distress Safety System |
| GNSS | Global Navigation Satellite System |
| GPS | Global Positioning System |
| HMI | Human Machine Interface |
| HS | Harmful Substances |
| HTML | Hypertext Mark-up Language |



| Abbreviation | Definition |
|---------------------|---|
| HTTP | Hyper Text Transfer Protocol |
| IALA | International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities |
| ID | Identity |
| IDS | Internal Service-wide Data Storage |
| IEC | International Electrotechnical Commission |
| IEEE | Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers |
| IHDM | IALA Harmonized Data Model |
| IHO | International Hydrographic Organization |
| IMO | International Maritime Organization |
| IP | Internet Protocol |
| IRIG | Inter Range Instrumentation Group |
| ISHR | IALA Stakeholders Harmonized User Requirements |
| ISO | International Standardisation Organisation |
| IT | Information Technology |
| ITU | International Telecommunication Union |
| ITU-R | International Telecommunication Union - Radio-telecommunication Sector |
| LAN | Local Area Network |
| LAT | Latitude |
| LBS | Limited Base Station |
| LDS | Local Data Storage |
| LED | Light Emitting Diode |
| LEO | Low Earth Orbit |
| LON | Longitude |
| LSS | Logical Shore Station |
| M2M | Machine-Machine-Interfaces |
| MDA | Maritime Domain Awareness |
| MDEF | Maritime Data Exchange Format |
| MEO | Medium Earth Orbit |
| MF | Medium Frequency |
| Mhz | Megahertz |
| MKD | Minimum Keyboard Display |
| MMI | Machine-to-Machine Interfaces |
| MMSI | Maritime Mobile Service Identifier |



| Abbreviation | Definition |
|---------------------|--|
| MOB_PROFILE | Profile of individual mobile AIS station |
| MP | Marine Pollutant |
| MRCC | Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre |
| MSB | Most Significant Bit |
| MSC | Maritime Safety Committee |
| MSID | Maritime Sentence Identifier |
| NM | Nautical Mile |
| NMEA | National Marine Electronics Association |
| No. | Number |
| NRR | Nominal Reporting Rate |
| OBP | On-Board Processing |
| OOW | Officer Of the Watch |
| OSI | Open System Interconnection |
| PCU | Physical Shore Station Control Unit |
| PI | Presentation Interface |
| PSS | Physical Shore Station |
| RATDMA | Random Access Time Division Multiple Access |
| RDS | Remote Data Storage |
| RF | Radio Frequency |
| ROT | Rate Of Turn |
| RR | Radio Regulations |
| RS | Remote Side |
| RS-232 | Recommended Standard 232 |
| RS-422 | Recommended Standard 422 |
| RSIM | Reference Station Integrity Monitor |
| RTCM | Radio Technical Commission for Maritime services |
| RxA | Receive channel A |
| RxB | Receive channel B |
| SAFE_AD | Safety related addressed message |
| SAFE_BR | Safety related broadcast message |
| SAIS | Satellite AIS |
| SAR | Search And Rescue |
| SAR_DAT | Data from SAR airborne AIS stations |



| Abbreviation | Definition |
|---------------------|---|
| SART | Search And Rescue Transponder |
| SDP | Spectrum De-collision Processing |
| SDS | System-wide Data Storage |
| SMTP | Simple Mail Transfer Protocol |
| SO | Self Organising |
| SOG | Speed Over Ground |
| SOTDMA | Self-Organizing Time Division Multiple Access |
| SQL | Structured Query Language |
| SSH | Secure Shell |
| SV | Satellite Vehicle |
| TCP/IP | Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol |
| TDMA | Time Division Multiple Access |
| TDP | Technical Development Personnel |
| TELNET | Teletype Network |
| TFR | Transmit Feed-back Report (IEC62320 sentences) |
| TLS/SSL | Transport Layer Security/Secure Sockets Layer |
| TOP | Technical Operation Personnel |
| TQ | Transmission Queue |
| TTA | Time To Alarm |
| TxA | Transmit channel A |
| TxB | Transmit channel B |
| UDOI | Unique Data Object Identifier |
| UMDM | Universal Maritime Data Model |
| UML | Unified Modelling Language |
| UOPS | Unified Operational Presentation Surface |
| UPS | Uninterruptable Power Supply |
| UTC | Universal Time Coordinated |
| VDL | VHF Data Link |
| VDM | VHF Data link Message |
| VDO | VHF Data link message Own |
| VHF | Very High Frequency |
| VMS | Vessel Monitoring System |
| VSI | VDL Signal Information (IEC62320 sentences) |
| VSR | Voluntary Ship Reporting |



| Abbreviation | Definition |
|---------------------|--|
| VTMIS | Vessel Traffic Management Information System |
| VTS | Vessel Traffic Services |
| WAN | Wide Area Network |