

ANNEX 1B**DC&FF WORKING GROUPS AND COMMITTEES****1. Royal Navy Damage Control and Firefighting Committee (DCFF CMT)**

This Group is chaired by NAVY SHIPS - FMEO SO1 and is attended by representatives from NCHQ, FOST, Flotillas, MCTA, RALEIGH, DE&S, NPGO, DC IPT and the MWS Phoenix Training Group. It is the overarching forum for the discussion of DC&FF issues and is tasked with oversight of the maintenance and improvement of a Fleet DC&FF capability. It provides a forum for the discussion of DC&FF training, procedures, manpower, equipment and policy issues. It will facilitate the exchange of ideas, discussion of problems and co-ordination of actions between all organisations concerned with RN and RFA DC&FF.

2. Surface Ship Damage Control Working Group

This Group is chaired by DES Ships FWE-MES-UFS-GL and is attended by representatives from DE&S, NCHQ, FOST, MCTA, NPGO and the Flotillas. It provides a forum for the detailed discussion and coordination of matters relating to DC&FF arrangements in surface ships. The WG is responsible for all DC&FF arrangements including zoning, smoke control, access and escape, ship fitted and portable fire fighting equipment and systems, ship fitted flooding and pumping equipment and systems, ship fitted and portable emergency power supply and lighting equipment and systems, emergency equipment for damage control shoring, temporary repair of damage, leak stopping, and restoration of services, DC&FF surveillance and communication arrangements, including control of watertight openings, markings, layout and siting of control positions, fire and repair party posts and management aids for control and communication.

3. Submarine Damage Control Working Group

This Group is chaired by DES Ships FWE-MES-UFS-GL and is attended by representatives from DE&S, NCHQ, FOST SM, NPGO and the Flotillas. It provides a forum for the detailed discussion and co-ordination of matters relating to DC&FF arrangements in submarines. The Working Group is responsible for all DC&FF arrangements including smoke control, fitted and portable firefighting equipment and systems, DC&FF surveillance and communication arrangements.

4. RFA DC&FF Stakeholders Meeting

This group is attended by representatives from NCHQ, FOST, MWS Phoenix TG and Flotilla. It provides a forum for the discussion of RFA specific DC&FF issues and the impact any changes to Fleet policy has on RFA DC&FF practices, with particular regard to the compliance with MCA regulations. Feedback from the forum is provided to NAVY SHIPS-CBRNDC SO2.

5. DC&FF Governance

DC&FF issues raised at the working group level will progress through the DC&FF CMT to be raised at the relevant Availability Working Groups. The Fleet Operating Authority Management Group provides the forum to raise issues further and may be represented by NAVY CAP-SPT ACNS at the Royal Navy Delivery Group to Deputy Fleet Commander and subsequently Fleet Commander/DCNS as necessary.