Table 1 – Distillate Marine Fuels

Characteristics		Unit	Limit	Category ISO-F				Test methods		
				DMX	DMA	DMZ	DMB			
Kinematic Viscosity at 40°C ^a		mm²/s	max.	5,500	6,000	6,000	11,00	ISO3104		
			min.	1,400	2,000	3,000	2,000			
Density at 15 °C		kg/m³	max.	-	890.0	890.0	900.0	see 7.1 ISO3675 or ISO12185		
Cetane Index		-	min.	45	40	40	35	ISO4264		
Sulfur ^b		mass%	max.	1.00	1.50	1.50	2.00	see 7.2 ISO8754 ISO14596		
Flash Point		°C	min.	43.0	60.0	60.0	60.0	see 7.3 ISO 2719		
Hydrogen sulfide ^c		mg/kg	max.	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	IP570		
Acid number		mg KOH/g	max.	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	ASTM D664		
Total sediment by hot filtration		mass %	max.	-	-	-	0.10 ^e	see 7.4 ISO 10307-1		
Oxidation stability		g/m³	max.	25	25	25	25 ^f	ISO12205		
Carbon residue: micro method on the 10% volume distillation residue		mass%	max.	0.30	0.30	0.30	-	ISO 10370		
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Cloud point		°C	max.	-16	-	-	-	ISO3015		
Pour point (upper) ^d	winter quality	°C	max.	-	-6	-6	0	ISO3016		
	summer quality	°C	max.	-	0	0	6	ISO3016		
Appearance		-	-	clear and bright ^j			e,f,g	see 7.6		
Water		volume%	max.		-	-	0.30 ^e	ISO3733		
Ash		mass%	max.	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.010	ISO6245		
Lubricity, corrected wear scar diameter (wsd 1.4) at 60 °C ^h		μm	max.	520	520	520	520 ^g	ISO12156-1		

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- a $1 \text{ mm}^2/\text{s} = 1 \text{ cSt}.$
- b Notwithstanding the limits given, the purchaser shall define the maximum sulfur content in accordance with relevant statutory limitations. See Annex C.
- Due to reasons stated in Annex D, the implementation date for compliance with the limit shall be 1 July 2012. Until such time, the specified value is given for guidance. For distillate fuels the precision data are currently being developed.
- d Purchasers should ensure that this pour point is suitable for the equipment on board, especially if the ship operates in cold climates.
- e If the sample is not clear and bright, the total sediment by hot filtration and water tests shall be required, see 7.4 and 7.6.
- f If the sample is not clear and bright the test cannot be undertaken and hence the oxidation stability limit shall not apply.
- g If the sample is not clear and bright, the test cannot be undertaken and hence the lubricity limit shall not apply.
- h This requirement is applicable to fuels with a sulfur content below 500 mg/kg (0.050 mass %).
- j If the sample is dyed and not transparent, then the water limit and test method as given in 7.6 shall apply.