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Q.	How often is Rulefinder updated?
A.	Rulefinder is published twice a year in the 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> quarters. This coincides with Lloyd's Register's Rules and Regulations and IMO's publication dates which ensures that Rulefinder is as current as possible.

Q.	Why is there no network version of Rulefinder?
A.	Generally there is no intention to re-introduce a network version of Rulefinder as there is a very low demand for this type of install. However, if due to a substantial number of office based users requiring Rulefinder (10+) a custom network solution is available on a case by case basis.  There will be no additional fee for this custom service. The existing price schedule remains. Please contact your local office for further information.

Q.	Do I need to keep old versions of Rulefinder?
A.	Yes. From Rulefinder v9.0 onwards only Rules and Regulations valid at the time of issue are included on Rulefinder. Therefore in order to maintain a complete history you are advised to keep old versions of Rulefinder.

Q.	How do I subscribe?
A.	To find out more about Rulefinder, please visit our <a href="#">website</a> or contact your local Lloyd's Register group office and request an information pack.  Subscribing to Rulefinder is simple - either download and complete an application form available from the website or from your local Lloyd's Register group office.

Q.	Why have I stopped receiving Rulefinder?
A.	Lloyd's Register policy now requires that customers renew their subscriptions every year. If you do not receive a reminder from your local Lloyd's Register group office then please contact them directly so that they can renew your subscription.

Q.	Where can I find out what Rules and Documents are in Rulefinder?
A.	A complete list of source documents contained in Rulefinder can be obtained from our <a href="#">website</a> , by emailing <a href="mailto:rulefinder@lr.org">rulefinder@lr.org</a> or by contacting your local Lloyd's Register group office.

Q.	How do I know if a document is current?
A.	<p>Rulefinder is reviewed before each release to ensure that all documents are valid and current on the date specified in the Rulefinder version number e.g. Rulefinder v9.32 (July 2019).</p> <p>For IMO documents, updates are consolidated into the Conventions and Codes if they are in effect at the date specified in the release. If the update is a future amendment then it will continue to be stored as a separate document.</p>

Q.	How do I limit my search to a single book?
A.	<p>Searches within a single book can be made by structuring your search query similar to the example shown below:</p> <p>"Safety Valve" AND "Rules and Regulations for the Classification of Ships"</p> <p>This example will search for the term Safety Valve within the Rules for Ships. For different or multiple books modify the search accordingly.</p>

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