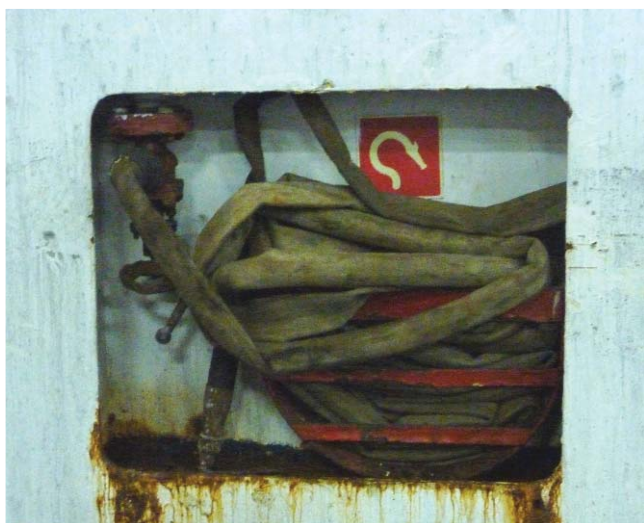


3. Fire-fighting equipment

Look after your fire-fighting equipment; you never know when you may need it.



Poorly maintained equipment.



A ship with poorly maintained fire-fighting equipment indicates amongst other things that the safety management system is not working.

This is a fire water spray nozzle that is over-painted and unlikely to operate as designed. Not only should Class and Flag pick up on these types of defects, but the company and ship's personnel should ensure that these types of defects are rectified immediately.

Keep your fire-fighting equipment in good order; you may need it. Check your fire-fighting systems.



4. Fire safety

Fire safety is enhanced by good housekeeping. Electrical appliances, particularly in the accommodation, are a major source of ignition. The risk of a fire is reduced just by the simple task of ensuring that the ship is maintained, and kept clean and tidy, and potential fire hazards are removed. The picture below of a lamp inside passenger accommodation taken recently clearly shows defective equipment that a fire has or is about to occur. Remove the danger.

Accommodation inspections should be carried out regularly.

