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# REPORT ON ELECTRIC LIGHTING INSTALLATION. No. 19022

Port of New York

Date of First Survey

13 July

Date of Last Survey Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> 1920

No. of Visits 5

No. in Reg. Book on the Iron or Steel S.S. Sudurco

Port belonging to Newark N.J.

Built at Newark N.J.

By whom Submarine Boat Corp.

When built 1920

Owners Submarine Boat Corp.

Owners' Address Newark N.J.

Yard No. 124 Electric Light Installation fitted by Submarine Boat Corp.

When fitted 1920

**DESCRIPTION OF DYNAMO, ENGINE, ETC.**

Two Generators. Each direct driven by a vertical reciprocating engine (150 RPM) Each unit capable of handling the load. Generators built by General Electric Co. Engines by Govt Engg Mach Co.  
 Capacity of Dynamo Each 90 Amperes at 110 Volts, whether continuous or alternating current continuous

Where is Dynamo fixed Engine room (Starboard Side) Whether single or double wire system is used Double  
 Position of Main Switch Board Adjacent to dynamo having switches to groups A. B. C. D. E. of lights, &c., as below  
 Positions of auxiliary switch boards and numbers of switches on each Galleys (8 switches) Officer's Kitchen (6 switches)

If fuses are fitted on main switch board to the cables of main circuit Yes and on each auxiliary switch board to the cables of auxiliary circuits Yes and at each position where a cable is branched or reduced in size Yes and to each lamp circuit Yes

If vessel is wired on the double wire system are fuses fitted to both flow and return wires or cables of all circuits including lamp circuits

Are the fuses of non-oxidizable metal Yes and constructed to fuse at an excess of 25 per cent over the normal current

Are all fuses fitted in easily accessible positions Yes Are the fuses of standard dimensions Yes If wire fuses are used are permanent instructions fitted on or near each switch board giving particulars of proper size of fuse for each circuit

Are all switches and fuses constructed of incombustible materials and fitted on incombustible bases Yes

Total number of lights provided for arranged in the following groups:—

A	37	lights each of 25	candle power requiring a total current of 8½	Amperes
B	29	lights each of 40	candle power requiring a total current of 10½	Amperes
C	10	lights each of 40	candle power requiring a total current of 14½	Amperes
D	39	lights each of 25	candle power requiring a total current of 9	Amperes
E	1 search	lights each of 4000	candle power requiring a total current of 35	Amperes
2	Mast head light with 1	lamps each of 40	candle power requiring a total current of ½	Amperes
2	Side light with 1	lamps each of 40	candle power requiring a total current of ½	Amperes
12	Cargo lights of 4 lamps each 2.5 Watts		candle power, whether incandescent or arc light Incandescent	

If arc lights, what protection is provided against fire, sparks, &c. No arc lights used

Where are the switches controlling the masthead and side lights placed In a wheel house

**DESCRIPTION OF CABLES.**

Main cable carrying 75 Amperes, comprised of 1 wires, each # 2 <sup>BYS</sup> ~~BYS~~ diameter, .052 square inches total sectional area  
 Branch cables carrying 30 Amperes, comprised of 1 wires, each # 6 <sup>BYS</sup> ~~BYS~~ diameter, .020 square inches total sectional area  
 Branch cables carrying 20 Amperes, comprised of 1 wires, each # 8 <sup>BYS</sup> ~~BYS~~ diameter, .013 square inches total sectional area  
 Leads to lamps carrying ½ Amperes, comprised of 1 wires, each # 16 <sup>BYS</sup> ~~BYS~~ diameter, .008 square inches total sectional area  
 Cargo light cables carrying 10 Amperes, comprised of 1 wires, each # 14 <sup>BYS</sup> ~~BYS~~ diameter, .003 square inches total sectional area

**DESCRIPTION OF INSULATION, PROTECTION, ETC.**

Bx L flexible steel cable throughout metal mouldings in Officers quarters & wheel house

Joints in cables, how made, insulated, and protected No joints except at terminal boxes

Are all the joints of cables thoroughly soldered, and the flux used not containing acids or other corrosive substances Yes Are all joints in accessible positions, none being made in bunkers, cargo spaces, or spaces which may at any time be used for carrying cargo, stores, or baggage None

Are there any joints in or branches from the cable leading from dynamo to main switch board No

How are the cables led through the ship, and how protected Cable led along under side of deck & securely clamped to same These cable being armoured require no additional special protection

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**DESCRIPTION OF INSULATION, PROTECTION, ETC.—continued.**

Are they in places always accessible *yes*

What special protection has been provided for the cables in open alleyways or where exposed to weather or moisture *Terminal boxes only*

What special protection has been provided for the cables near galleys or oil lamps or other sources of heat *none*

What special protection has been provided for the cables near boiler casings *Cable carried against grating supports clear of boiler Casings*

What special protection has been provided for the cables in engine room *none*

How are cables carried through beams *Through clearance holes securely fastened through bulkheads, &c. none except shaft Alley*

How are cables carried through decks *Through threaded bushings & lock nuts both sides stuffing glands on top sides*

Are any cables run through coal bunkers *no* or cargo spaces *no* or spaces which may be used for carrying cargo, stores, or baggage *Bridge Enc.*

If so, how are they protected *Clamped against deck above between beams*

Are any lamps fitted in coal bunkers or spaces which may at times be used for cargo, coals, or baggage *none except bridge enclosure*

If so, how are the lamp fittings and cable terminals specially protected *Watertight attachment plug receptacles*

Where are the main switches and fuses for these lights fitted *Switch Board*

If in the spaces, how are they specially protected *Watertight boxes*

Are any switches or fuses fitted in bunkers *no*

Cargo light cables, whether portable or permanently fixed *Portable*

How fixed

In vessels fitted on the single wire system, how is the dynamo terminal fixed to the hull of vessel

How are the returns from the lamps connected to the hull

Are all the joints with the hull in accessible positions

Is the installation supplied with a voltmeter *yes*, and with an ammeter *yes*, *fixed main switch board*

**VESSELS BUILT FOR CARRYING PETROLEUM.**

In vessels built for carrying petroleum, are all switches and fuses fitted in positions not liable to the accumulation of petroleum vapour or gas

Are any switches, fuses, or joints of cables fitted in the pump room or companion

How are the lamps specially protected in places liable to the accumulation of vapour or gas

The copper used is guaranteed to have a conductivity of not less than that of the *F.I.E.E. Engineering Standards Committee's standard*, and the wires are protected by tinning from the sulphur compounds present in the insulating material.

Insulation of cables is guaranteed to have a resistance of not less than *megohms per statute mile at 60° Fahrenheit* after 24 hours' immersion in water, the test being made after one minute's electrification at not less than 500 volts and while the cable is still immersed.

*Insulation in accordance with the requirement of the National Board of Underwriters*  
*The foregoing statements are a correct description of the Electric Light Installation fitted by us on this vessel and we declare*  
*that it is at this date in good order and safe working condition.*

*J.P. Townsend*

Electrical Engineers

Date

**COMPASSES.**

Distance between dynamo or electric motors and standard compass *about 140 ft*

Distance between dynamo or electric motors and steering compass *about 135 ft*

The nearest cables to the compasses are as follows:—

A cable carrying *35* Amperes *10* feet from standard compass

feet from steering compass

A cable carrying *1/16* Amperes *to dimmer* feet from standard compass

feet from steering compass

A cable carrying Amperes feet from standard compass

feet from steering compass

Have the compasses been adjusted with and without the electric installation at work at full power

The maximum deviation due to electric currents, etc., was found to be degrees on course in the case of the

standard compass and *Submarine Boat Company* degrees on course in the case of the steering compass.

By *Geo. A. Thompson*  
Superintendent

Builder's Signature. Date

**GENERAL REMARKS.**

The insulation has been fitted in the *SS Sudurco* under Special Survey. Generators erected on rigid sealings. The wires are stranded. The fittings of the wires throughout are as stated on above report, appear to be in accordance with the Committee's requirements

*It is submitted that  
this vessel is eligible for  
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*to J. Nosworthy*

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