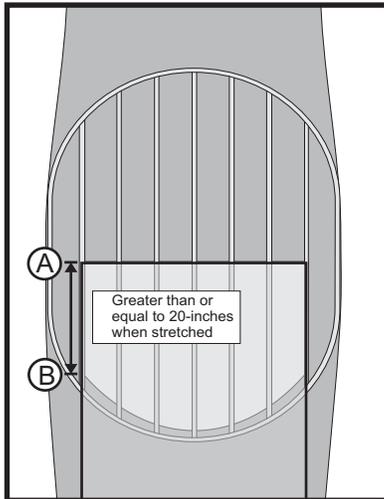


# Guide for Checking Double-Cover TED Opening

## Step 1

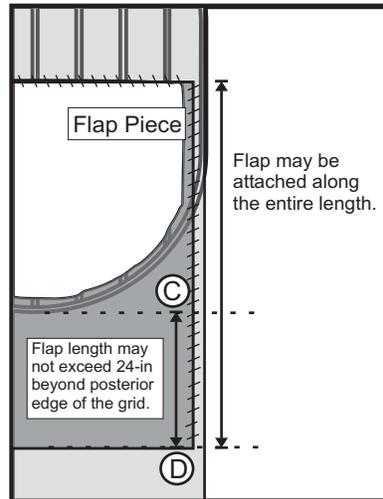


**Step 1**

Measure the distance from the TED frame forward along the side of the escape hole cut to the leading edge of the escape hole cut (**A to B**).

This measurement must be greater than or equal to **20-inches** when stretched.

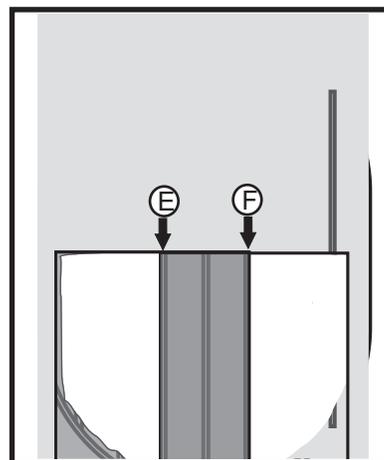
## Step 2



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Measure the distance from the posterior edge of the TED frame to the trailing edge of the flap. This measurement must not exceed 24-inches when hanging **C to D** (not stretched).

## Step 3

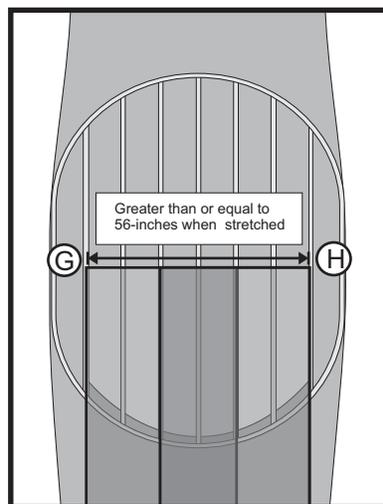


**Step 3**

Measure the distance along the leading edge of the overlapped portions of the flap section.

The overlap from **E to F** must not exceed **15-inches** when stretched.

## Step 4



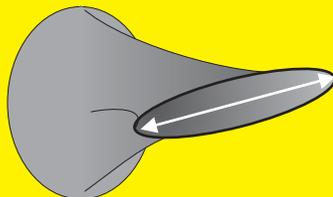
**Step 4**

Measure the leading edge of the escape hole cut **G to H**.

This measurement must be greater than or equal to **56-inches** when stretched.

**Note:** This measurement must also be obtained with the flap attached.

## ACCELERATOR FUNNELS



If an optional accelerator funnel is used, the funnel must have a minimum straight-line stretched measurement as follows:

All offshore waters and in inshore waters of Georgia or South Carolina = 71"

All inshore waters except GA & SC = 44"

This document provides instructions for measuring the double cover and the 71-inch escape opening for single-grid hard TEDs. Unless otherwise noted, all measurements are given in inches and apply to stretched mesh. The actual regulatory requirements are based on inches, not mesh size. These instructions summarize regulations at 50 C.F.R.223.207 (a) (7) (ii) (C), 223.207 (d) (2) (ii), and 223.207 (d) (3) (iii). It is the responsibility of the owners and vessel operators using these instructions to insure that their TEDs meet all regulatory requirements.

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