NAV LIGHT REQUIREMENTS

Rule 25 of the U.S. Coast Guard's rules state that a sailing vessel shall exhibit sidelights and a sternlight. Boats shorter than 65 feet may have these combined in one fixture (a tri-color masthead light). To comply with accepted standards, the lights must meet the following visibility minimums:

- Sidelight: 2 miles for boats over
 36 feet; 1 mile for boats under 36 feet
 - Sternlight: 2 miles
 - Towing light: 2 miles
 - All-round light: 2 miles