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## MERCHANT SHIPPING

## PILOTAGE

## The Merchant Shipping (Pilot Signals) Order 1970

Made - - - 17th December 1970

Laid before Parliament 23rd December 1970

Coming into Operation 8th January 1971

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 17th day of December 1970

Present,

• The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by section 45(1) of the Pilotage Act 1913(a), and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Pilot Signals) Order 1970, and shall come into operation on 8th January 1971.

(2) The Order in Council approving new Pilot Signals dated 9th October 1933(b) is hereby revoked.

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(c) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. The signals to be used or displayed where the services of a pilot are required on any vessel shall be the single-letter signal G made by one of the methods set out in Chapter III of the International Code of Signals 1969 and indicated as appropriate below.

(i) *In fog, mist, falling snow, heavy rainstorms or any other condition similarly restricting visibility, whether by day or night*

Any method except (a) (flag signalling), (b) (flashing light signalling) or (g) (signalling by hand flags or arms);

(ii) *In conditions not restricting visibility, by day*

Any method;

(a) 1913 c. 31.  
(c) 1889 c. 63.

(b) S.R. & O. 1933/976 (Rev. XIV, p. 673: 1933, p. 1394).

(iii) *In conditions not restricting visibility, by night*

Any method except (a) (flag signalling) or (g) (signalling by hand flags or arms).

*W. G. Agnew.*

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order replaces an Order of 1933 by specifying that the signals to be used or displayed where the services of a pilot are required (referred to in section 45(1) of the Pilotage Act 1913 as "pilot signals") on any vessel are to be given by use of the single letter signal G in the International Code of Signals 1969.

The International Code of Signals 1969 may be purchased from H.M. Stationery Office.

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