

## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1979 No. 1707

MERCHANT SHIPPING  
SAFETYThe Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) (Hong Kong)  
(Amendment) Order 1979

*Made* - - - - - 19th December 1979  
*Laid before Parliament* 3rd January 1980  
*Coming into Operation* 25th May 1980

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 19th day of December 1979

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by section 36 of the Merchant Shipping (Safety and Load Line Conventions) Act 1932(a) as amended by section 30 of the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) Act 1949(b), by section 1 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1964(c) and by section 1 of the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) Act 1977(d), 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. The Merchant Shipping Safety Convention (Hong Kong) No. 1 Order 1953(e) shall have effect subject to the amendments specified in Schedule 1 hereto.
2. The Merchant Shipping Safety Convention (Hong Kong) No. 2 Order 1953(f) is hereby amended by deleting the word and figure "Section 3" from the Schedule thereto.
3. The Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) (Hong Kong) Order 1965(g) shall have effect subject to the amendments specified in Schedule 2 hereto.
4. This Order may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) (Hong Kong) (Amendment) Order 1979 and shall come into operation on 25th May 1980.

*N. E. Leigh,*  
Clerk of the Privy Council.

(a) 1932 c. 9. (b) 1949 c. 43. (c) 1964 c. 47. (d) 1977 c. 24. (e) S.I. 1953/592.  
(f) S.I. 1953/593. (g) S.I. 1965/2011.

## SCHEDULE 1

*Article 1*

In the First Schedule to the Order—

(1) the provisions of the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) Act 1949, adapted and modified as set out therein, shall have effect as if—

- (a) the expression “the Safety Convention” referred to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea signed in London on 1st November 1974; and
- (b) references therein to that Act included references to the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) Act 1977.

(2) after the words “and machinery of”, in each place where they occur in section 1(1), there shall be inserted the words “and the fuel used in”.

(3) in subsection (7) of section 24—

- (a) after the words “pulses and seeds” there shall be inserted the words “whether in natural or processed form”; and
- (b) the words from “and the expression ‘ship carrying a cargo of grain’ ” to the end of the subsection shall be omitted.

(4) the following shall be omitted :—

- the whole of section 3;
- in subsection (2) of section 5 the words “being ships of sixteen hundred tons gross tonnage or upwards”;
- the whole of section 6.

## SCHEDULE 2

## Article 3

In Schedule 1 to the Order—

(1) the provisions of the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) Act 1949, adapted and modified as set out therein, shall have effect as if the expression “the Convention” referred to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea signed in London on 1st November 1974.

(2) after the words “and machinery of”, in each place where they occur in subsections (1) and (2) of section 2, there shall be inserted the words “and the fuel used in”.

(3) the following shall be omitted :—

- in section 1, the words from the beginning to “as ‘the Safety Convention’)” and paragraph (a);
- the whole of section 10;
- the whole of section 18.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order amends the Merchant Shipping Safety Convention (Hong Kong) No. 1 Order 1953, by which provisions of the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) Act 1949 (which gave effect to the Safety Convention of 1948) were extended to Hong Kong and the Merchant Shipping Safety Convention (Hong Kong) No. 2 Order 1953, which applied sections 3, 12, 19 and 22 of the 1949 Act to British ships registered in Hong Kong.

The Order also amends the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) (Hong Kong) Order 1965, by which the provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act 1964 (which gave effect to the Safety Convention of 1960) were extended to the colony.

The amendments take into account the entry into force for Hong Kong of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea 1974, which replaces the 1960 Convention.

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