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MERCHANT SHIPPING SAFETY

The Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ship Construction) (Amendment) Regulations 1981

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The Secretary of State, after consulting with the persons referred to in section 22(2) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1979(a), in exercise of the powers conferred on him by subsections (1) (a) and (b), (3)(a), (d), (f), (g), (j) and (q), (4)(a), (5), (6)(a) and (b) of section 21 and by section 22(1)(a) and (c) of that Act and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

- 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ship Construction) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 and shall come into operation on 1st May 1981.
- 2. The Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ship Construction) Regulations 1980(b) shall be amended as follows:
 - (1) In regulation 1(2):
 - (a) for the definition of "Oil fuel unit" there shall be substituted: "'Oil fuel unit' means:
 - (a) in relation to Part VI of these Regulations, the equipment used for the preparation of oil fuel for delivery to an oil-fired boiler or equipment used for the preparation for delivery of heated oil to an internal combustion engine, and includes any oil pressure pumps, filters and heaters dealing with oil at a pressure greater than 1.8 bar gauge; and
 - (b) in relation to Part VIA of these Regulations, the equipment used for the preparation of oil fuel for delivery to the oil burners of an oil-fired boiler and includes the oil pressure pumps, filters and heaters;";
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (c) of the definition of "Rooms containing furniture and furnishings of restricted fire risk" for "Type 2 performance"; there shall be substituted "Type B performance";
 - (c) the definition of "Safety Convention ship" shall be deleted;
 - (2) in regulation 1(3):
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (a), "(a)" shall be deleted and the words "These Regulations apply to United Kingdom passenger ships" amended to read:

- "These Regulations apply to:
 - (a) United Kingdom passenger ships ";
- (b) in sub-paragraph (b) the words "Safety Convention" shall be deleted.

Trefgarne,
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Trade.

8th April 1981.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ship Construction) Regulations 1980 (which prescribe construction requirements for passenger ships) and give effect to the Protocol of 1978 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea 1974 (Cmnd. 7346) which was laid before Parliament in October 1978. Pursuant to the Protocol the application of the 1980 Regulations is extended to all passenger ships, whether or not registered in a country to which a Safety of Life at Sea Convention applies, while they are within the United Kingdom or United Kingdom territorial waters.

In addition, a printing error in the definition of "Rooms containing furniture and furnishing of restricted fire risk" is corrected, and the definition of an oil fuel unit is amended to distinguish its meaning in Part VI of the Regulations (boilers and machinery in new ships) and Part VIA of the Regulations (boilers and machinery in existing ships).

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