
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1991 No. 638

The Merchant Shipping (Distress Signals and Prevention of Collisions) (Amendment) Regulations 1991

2. The Merchant Shipping (Distress Signals and Prevention of Collisions) Regulations 1989(1) shall be amended as follows—

- (i) in regulation 1(2)(d) for “February 1986 and No. 5 of June 1988” there shall be substituted “February 1986, No. 5 of June 1988 and No. 6 of April 1990”;
- (ii) in the title to the Schedule, for “(as amended by Resolution A464 (XII) and Resolution A626 (15))” there shall be substituted “(as amended by Resolution A464 (XII), Resolution A626 (15) and A678 (16))”;
- (iii) in Rule 10(b)(ii) of the Schedule the word “lane” shall be replaced by the word “line”;
- (iv) in Rule 10(c) of the Schedule for “A vessel shall so far as practicable avoid crossing traffic lanes, but” there shall be substituted “A vessel shall, so far as practicable, avoid crossing traffic lanes but”;
- (v) Rule 10(d) of the Schedule shall be replaced by the following:
 - “(d) (i) A vessel shall not use an inshore traffic zone when she can safely use the appropriate traffic lane within the adjacent traffic separation scheme. However, vessels of less than 20 metres in length, sailing vessels and vessels engaged in fishing may use the inshore traffic zone.
 - (ii) Notwithstanding sub-paragraph (d)(i), a vessel may use an inshore traffic zone when *en route* to or from a port, offshore installation or structure, pilot station or any other place situated within the inshore traffic zone, or to avoid immediate danger”.