
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**MERCHANT SHIPPING
SAFETY**

**The Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ship Construction:
Ships of Classes III to VI(A)) Regulations 1998**

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SHIPS OF CLASSES III TO VI(A)) REGULATIONS 1998**

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