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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No. 410**

**MERCHANT SHIPPING  
SAFETY**

**The Merchant Shipping (Boatmasters' Qualifications,  
Crew and Hours of Work) Regulations 2015**

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**THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (BOATMASTERS' QUALIFICATIONS,  
CREW AND HOURS OF WORK) REGULATIONS 2015**

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