

**1976 No. 154****MERCHANT SHIPPING****OIL POLLUTION****The Oil Pollution (Compulsory Insurance) (Amendment)  
Regulations 1976**

<i>Made - - - -</i>	<i>4th February 1976</i>
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The Secretary of State, in exercise of his powers under section 10(4) of the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) Act 1971(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Oil Pollution (Compulsory Insurance) (Amendment) Regulations 1976 and shall come into operation on 7th March 1976.

2. The Oil Pollution (Compulsory Insurance) Regulations 1975(b), as amended(c), shall have effect as though in Article 3 (recognition of certificates of insurance)—

- (a) in paragraph (1), after the reference to Norway there were inserted a reference to Spain; and
- (b) in paragraph (2), the reference to Spain were omitted.

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4th February 1976.

(a) 1971 c. 59.

(b) S.I. 1975/869 (1975 II, p. 3081).

(c) S.I. 1975/1234, 1759, 2002 (1975 II, p. 4229, II, p. 6695, III, p. 7405).

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Oil Pollution (Compulsory Insurance) Regulations 1975 provide, inter alia, for the recognition of certificates of insurance against liability for oil pollution damage caused by ships in the case of certificates issued by or under the authority of the governments of certain countries specified in the Regulations. This provision is made for the purposes of the Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution) Act 1971, which gives effect to the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage signed in Brussels in 1969 (Cmnd. 4403).

Regulations 2(a) and (b) amend the 1975 Regulations in this regard. The effect is that a certificate for a ship registered in a country which is not a party to the Convention is recognised for the purposes mentioned above if it is issued by or under the authority of the government of Spain.

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