STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

The Ship'S Report, Importation and Exportation By Sea (Amendment) Regulations 1986

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The Commissioners of Customs and Excise, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 35(4) and 42(1) of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations:—

- **1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Ship's Report, Importation and Exportation by Sea (Amendment) Regulations 1986 and shall come into operation on 1st December 1986.
- **2.** The Ship's Report, Importation and Exportation by Sea Regulations 1981 shall be amended in accordance with regulations 3 and 4 below.
 - **3.** For Part I there shall be substituted the following—

"PART I

PROCEDURE FOR SHIP'S REPORT REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 35(1) OF THE ACT

Report procedure

- **2.** Subject to regulation 6 below, the procedure for making report of a ship of which report is required under section 35(1) of the Act shall be in accordance with regulations 3 and 4 below.
- **3.** The forms directed by the Commissioners under section 35(1) of the Act shall be completed by the master or, where the Commissioners so permit, a person authorised by him.
- **4.** The forms duly completed in accordance with regulation 3 above shall be delivered by the master or a person authorised by him:—

- (a) in the case of a ship boarded by an officer, to the officer immediately, if so requested by him,
- (b) in any other case, to the proper place designated at the port of arrival:—
 - (i) within 3 hours of the ship having reached its place of loading or unloading; or
 - (ii) on the expiration of 24 hours following the arrival of the ship within the limits of that port if by then the ship has not reached a place of loading or unloading.

Copies of report documents

- **5.**—(1) The master shall ensure that a copy of each of the forms referred to in regulation 3 above is retained on board ship for inspection by an officer as long as the ship remains within the limits of the port.
- (2) At the request of an officer either the master or any person authorised by him shall furnish the officer with an additional copy of any such form.

Modified procedure for report

- **6.** The Commissioners may relax all or any of the requirements of regulations 3 to 5 above as they see fit in relation to any ship arriving at any port in the United Kingdom.".
- **4.** In regulation 8(c), the word "final" shall be omitted.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

These Regulations amend the procedure for making report of a ship arriving at a port, either from overseas or carrying goods brought in the ship from overseas and not yet cleared.

The principal change is that report is to be made in one stage as opposed to two. It is to be made immediately if the ship is boarded by a Customs officer and he requests it. Otherwise it is to be made within 3 hours of the ship reaching its place of loading or unloading, or 24 hours after the ship arrives within port limits if by then the ship has not reached a place of loading or unloading.