
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1988 No. 1926

**The Merchant Shipping (Registration
of Fishing Vessels) Regulations 1988**

PART V

MISCELLANEOUS

Copy of notice under section 16(1) or (4) of the Act (termination) to go to mortgagee

55. Where the Secretary of State serves a notice under section 16(1) (notice that a vessel may no longer be eligible for registry) or section 16(4) (notice requiring presentation of vessel for survey) of the Act on the owner of a vessel in respect of which a mortgage is registered, he shall send a copy of that notice to the mortgagee at the address for the time being recorded in relation to him in the Register.

Surrender of Certificates

56.—(1) Where the registration of a vessel is terminated by virtue of section 16(3) (vessel no longer eligible) or (5) (vessel not presented for survey) of the Act,

- (a) the owner of the vessel shall forthwith surrender the Certificate of Registry (or if it is not in his possession, ensure that it is surrendered as soon as practicable) to the Secretary of State or a British sea-fisheries officer; and
- (b) if it is on board the vessel the skipper or other person having possession of the Certificate of Registry shall as soon as practicable surrender it to the Secretary of State or to a British sea-fisheries officer.

(2) Where a vessel—

- (a) is actually lost,
- (b) is broken up,
- (c) ceases to be employed in fishing for profit, or
- (d) ceases (and the owner thereof has expressly or impliedly acknowledged that it has ceased) to be eligible for registry as a British ship,

the Secretary of State shall (subject to section 23(2) of the Act) terminate registration of the vessel and the owner of the vessel shall forthwith surrender the Certificate of Registry to the Secretary of State.

Exclusion

57. Salmon cobbles are excluded from registration under the 1988 Act and from all the provisions of these Regulations.

Witnesses of documents

58. Where the signature on any document made pursuant to these regulations is required to be witnessed any witness thereto shall be a person of full age other than the spouse of the signatory.

Dispensing with production of certificate

59. Where a Certificate of Registry is required by these Regulations to accompany any application and it is shown to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State that for any reasonable cause that certificate cannot be produced the Secretary of State may, subject to such conditions as he thinks fit, dispense with its production.

Application of Part I of the 1894 Act

60. The provisions of Part I of the 1894 Act specified in Schedule 6 hereto, modified to the extent therein specified shall apply in relation to the registration of fishing vessels.

Transcripts of the Register

61. Any person shall be entitled on application to the Secretary of State to obtain a transcript, certified by the Secretary of State, of the entries in the Register relating to a fishing vessel which is or was registered therein.

Inspection of the Register

62. Any person shall be entitled on request on attending the office where the Register is kept at during the hours of its official opening, to inspect the entries in the Register relating to any vessel.

Fees

63. Where a fee is prescribed in respect of any service or other transaction to be carried out pursuant to these Regulations or to Schedule 3 to the Act (Mortgages of Registered Fishing Vessels), the Secretary of State shall not be required to carry out the service or other transaction unless the appropriate prescribed fee has been paid.

Registrars of British ships to transmit information

64. Every Registrar of British Ships of a port in the United Kingdom shall if so requested at any time by the Secretary of State transmit to the office of the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen all such particulars relating to the register maintained by him as the Secretary of State may specify.