
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2008 No. 3257

The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage and Garbage from Ships) Regulations 2008

PART 2

Sewage: Survey and Certification of Ships

Duration and validity of Sewage Certificates

14.—(1) Subject to the following paragraphs and to regulations 16(3) and 18(1), a Sewage Certificate which is issued in respect of a ship to which this regulation applies is valid for such period as is specified in the certificate, not exceeding five years, beginning with the date of the completion of the relevant initial or renewal survey.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3) and regulation 15(9), where a renewal survey is completed—

- (a) within the final three month period, or
- (b) after the date of expiry of the latest Sewage Certificate,

the new Sewage Certificate is valid for such period as is specified in the Certificate, beginning with the date of the completion of the renewal survey and ending with a date not exceeding five years from the date of expiry of the latest Sewage Certificate.

(3) A Sewage Certificate issued in respect of a ship ceases to be valid upon whichever is the earliest of the following—

- (a) upon the ship being transferred to the flag of another State,
- (b) upon a ship proceeding to sea where—
 - (i) a repair or renewal referred to in regulation 10(1) has been made, and
 - (ii) the requirements set out in regulation 10(3) have not been complied with,
- (c) upon a new Sewage Certificate being issued in respect of the ship, or
- (d) upon the date of expiry of the Certificate.

(4) Where a ship is transferred to the flag of another State whose Government is a Contracting Government”, and within three months after the date of transfer that Government so requests, the Secretary of State must send the Government a copy of—

- (a) the Sewage Certificate issued in respect of the ship, and
- (b) if available, the survey report.

(5) In this regulation, the “final three month period” means the period of three months ending on the date of expiry of the Sewage Certificate in question.