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(Passenger Ship Construction)
Regulations 1980

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

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These Regulations revoke the Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ship Constructions) Rules 1965 to the extent that they apply to United Kingdom passenger ships and other sea-going passenger ships registered in a country to which a Safety of Life at Sea Convention applies while they are within the United Kingdom or territorial waters thereof and re-enact the provisions of those Rules with modifications necessary to give effect to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea 1974 (Cmnd 7874) in respect to United Kingdom passenger ships and other sea-going passenger ships while they are within the United Kingdom or territorial waters thereof.

Those modifications include:

- (1) stability information has to be supplied in respect of passenger ships which must undergo an inclining test to determine the elements of stability (Regulations 9, 10, 11 and Schedule 2);
- (2) requirements in respect of the openings in the shell plating above and below the margin line, and subdivision load line markings have been updated to conform to the prescribed load line requirements (regulations 19, 20 and 23);
- (3) requirements relating to fire protection in new passenger ships of specified classes carrying not more than 36 passengers are prescribed (Part V(A));
- (4) requirements are prescribed in respect of watertight subdivision bulkhead plating thicknesses and stiffener scantlings (Schedule 4 Part IV).

The Institute of Electrical Engineers Regulations are obtainable from the Institution at Savoy Place, London WC2; the International Standard is obtainable from the British Standards Institution, 2 Park St, London W1; and the Merchant Shipping Notice is obtainable from the Department of Trade Marine Library, Sunley House, 90 High Holborn, London WC1 and from any Department of Trade mercantile marine office or marine survey office.