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**THE SHIPPING LIFESAVING APPLIANCES RULES 1960,  
AMENDMENT NO. 1**

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COBHAM, Governor-General  
ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 6th day of December 1960

Present:  
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Shipping and Seamen Act 1952, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following rules.

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R U L E S

1. (1) These rules may be cited as the Shipping Lifesaving Appliances Rules 1960, Amendment No. 1, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Shipping Lifesaving Appliances Rules 1960\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal rules).

(2) These rules shall come into force on the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

2. Rule 11 of the principal rules is hereby amended—

(a) By omitting from subclause (4) the words “Such additional”, and substituting the words “In every ship to which this rule applies, such”:

(b) By omitting from the proviso to subclause (6) the words “extended river limits”, and substituting the words “deep-sea sports-fishing limits defined as such by the Minister by notice in the *Gazette*”.

3. Rule 18 of the principal rules is hereby amended by revoking subclauses (3) and (4), and substituting the following subclauses:

“(2A) Every ship to which this rule applies, of 100 ft or over in length, shall also carry inflatable liferafts of sufficient capacity to accommodate the total number of persons on board, so stowed that they can be readily placed in the water on either side of the ship. Ships with more than sixteen persons on board shall carry at least two inflatable liferafts:

“Provided that the Minister may allow existing ships of 300 ft or over in length to carry inflatable liferafts of sufficient capacity for seventy-five per cent of the total number of persons on board.

“(3) Every ship to which this rule applies, of under 100 ft in length but not under 50 ft in length, shall carry either a lifeboat or a Class C boat or other boat so stowed that it can readily be placed in the water on either side of the ship. In addition every such ship shall carry one or more inflatable liferafts of sufficient capacity to accommodate all persons on board, so stowed that they can be readily placed in the water on either side of the ship.

“(4) Every ship to which this rule applies of under 50 ft in length shall carry inflatable liferafts of sufficient capacity to accommodate all persons on board, so stowed that they can be readily placed in the water on either side of the ship.”

4. Rule 19 of the principal rules is hereby amended by revoking subclause (2), and substituting the following subclause:

“(2) Every ship to which this rule applies which carries more than four persons on board shall carry inflatable liferafts of sufficient capacity to accommodate all persons on board, so stowed as to be readily placed in the water on either side of the ship.”

5. (1) Rule 21 of the principal rules is hereby amended by revoking paragraph (a) of subclause (2), and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) At least two lifeboats attached to davits, so arranged that there is at least one lifeboat on each side of the ship, the lifeboats on each side being of sufficient capacity to accommodate all persons on board the ship, together with one or more inflatable liferafts of sufficient capacity to accommodate all persons on board, so stowed as to be readily placed in the water on either side of the ship; or”.

(2) Rule 21 of the principal rules is hereby further amended by revoking subclauses (4) and (5), and substituting the following subclauses:

“(4) Every ship to which this rule applies, of under 100 ft in length but not under 70 ft in length, shall carry a lifeboat or a Class C boat or other boat of sufficient capacity to accommodate all persons on board, together with one or more inflatable liferafts of sufficient capacity to accommodate all persons on board, so stowed as to be readily placed in the water on either side of the ship. At least two lifebuoys shall also be carried.

“(5) Every ship to which this rule applies, of under 70 ft in length but not under 40 ft in length, shall carry inflatable liferafts of sufficient capacity to accommodate all persons on board, so stowed as to be readily placed in the water on either side of the ship. At least two lifebuoys shall also be carried.”

(3) Rule 21 is hereby further amended by revoking subclause (9).

6. Rule 22 of the principal rules is hereby amended by adding the following subclause:

“(7) Every ship to which this rule applies shall carry one or more inflatable liferafts of sufficient capacity to accommodate all persons on board, so stowed as to be readily placed in the water on either side of the ship.”

7. Rule 31 of the principal rules is hereby amended—

- (a) By omitting from subclause (1) the expression “VIII (A), IX, X, and XII”, and substituting the expression “IX and XII”.
- (b) By omitting from subclause (2) the expression “VIII and XI”, and substituting the expression “and VIII”.

8. (1) Rule 33 of the principal rules is hereby amended by inserting, after paragraph (d), the following words:

“[NOTE—Boats 12 ft or under in length shall not be required to carry the steering oar specified in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph or the equipment specified in subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph.]”.

(2) Rule 33 of the principal rules is hereby further amended by inserting, after paragraph (f), the following note:

“[NOTE—In ships of less than 100 ft in length which are equipped with inflatable liferafts, the lifeboats or other boats shall not be required to carry the equipment specified in subparagraphs (vii), (viii), (x), (xi), (xii), (xiii), (xiv), (xv), (xvi), or (xvii) of this paragraph.]”.

9. Rule 40 of the principal rules is hereby amended by adding the following subclause as subclause (2) thereof:

“(2) Every lifejacket shall be fitted with an approved whistle firmly secured by a cord.”

10. Rule 44 of the principal rules is hereby amended by omitting from subclause (3) the words “Class III or Class X”, and substituting the words “Class III, Class IV, or Class V”.

11. The Eleventh Schedule to the principal rules is hereby amended—

- (a) By inserting in paragraph (a) of clause 8, after the words “weft 29 two-fold threads”, the words “Strength tests of the material shall be made on strips 3 in. wide. The distance between the jaws of the testing machine shall be 7 in., and the material shall be capable of withstanding a strain of warp 500 lb, weft 400 lb”:
- (b) By adding to paragraph (b) of clause 8 the words “Strength tests shall be made on strips 2 in. wide. The distance between the jaws of the testing machine shall be 7 in., and the material shall be capable of withstanding a strain of not less than warp 160 lb, weft 200 lb”:
- (c) By adding to clause 11 the words “Strength tests of the material shall be made on strips 3 in. wide. The distance between the jaws of the testing machine shall be 7 in., and the material shall be capable of withstanding a strain of warp 260 lb, weft 230 lb”.

T. J. SHERRARD,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the rules, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

These rules require inflatable liferafts to be carried on certain home-trade ships and fishing boats. In some cases the inflatable liferafts are to be carried in addition to lifeboats and in others they are to be carried instead of lifeboats. In some cases inflatable liferafts must be carried where at present there is no requirement for the carriage of a lifeboat.

The rules also provide for the following other amendments:

- (a) The requirements in the case of ships engaged in deep-sea sports-fishing are defined in relation to such ships plying within deep-sea sports-fishing limits as defined by the Minister instead of such ships plying in extended river limits (rule 2 (b)).
- (b) The provisions of rule 33 of the principal rules relating to the equipment of lifeboats and other boats are modified in the case of certain ships (rule 8).
- (c) Every lifejacket is required to be fitted with a whistle attached to a cord (rule 9).
- (d) The provisions of the Eleventh Schedule relating to the requirements for lifejackets are modified (rule 11).

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These regulations are administered in the Marine Department.