



SUPPLEMENT

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Regulations as to the Qualifications of Harbourmasters and Pilots.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this fourteenth day of June, 1915.

Present :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it is enacted by section two hundred and five of the Harbours Act, 1908, as amended by section ten of the Harbours Amendment Act, 1914, that the Governor may from time to time, by Order in Council gazetted, make regulations to be called "General Harbour Regulations," which shall have force and effect in all ports in New Zealand for, amongst other things, prescribing rules for determining the qualifications in respect of age, time of service, skill, character, and otherwise to be required of persons appointed as harbourmasters or appointed or licensed as pilots: And whereas it is desirable to make such regulations:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, in exercise of the hereinbefore-mentioned power and authority, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby make the following general harbour regulations for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned; and doth order and declare that they shall be in force in all harbours of the Dominion.

GENERAL HARBOUR REGULATIONS.

1. A CANDIDATE for the position of harbourmaster at any port which requires a harbourmaster whose whole time is devoted in connection with the harbour or pilotage must be a British subject of not less than twenty-five years of age, and must hold a foreign-going certificate of competency as master ordinary.

2. He must produce certificates to date of good conduct and sobriety, also medical certificate that he is in good health and not afflicted with any bodily infirmity rendering him unfit for the duties of the position.

3. He must also produce a recent form and colour test certificate as required by the latest Board of Trade regulations for examination of masters and mates.

4. The above regulations shall not apply to ports where the harbourmaster is not required to devote the whole of his time to duties of the position, or to the service of the Government or Harbour Board employing him.

PILOTS.

5. Before any person can receive an appointment as a pilot he must pass before a Board in the subjects and fulfil the conditions set forth below.

6. The Board shall be composed of not less than two nautical officers to be appointed by the Marine Department, each of whom shall possess a certificate of competency as master; one member of the Board at least must have a thorough knowledge of the harbour, river, or roadstead and its approaches in respect of which the candidate is to be examined.

7. (1.) A candidate for the appointment of pilot must be a British subject and not less than twenty-two years of age; must produce certificates of good conduct and sobriety, also medical certificate that he is in good health and not afflicted with any bodily infirmity rendering him unfit for the duty of pilot. He must also produce a recent form and colour test certificate as required by the latest Board of Trade regulations for examination of masters and mates.

(2.) He must have served three years in pilotage work and three years at sea, or five years at sea (including the recognized Board of Trade equivalent training-ship service, if any), and have served for at least a year as a watch-keeping officer while holding a certificate not lower than second mate ordinary.

(3.) He must be examined as to his knowledge of the Harbour Regulations and By-laws, International Code, Quarantine Regulations, Rules of the Road, Lights, Fog and Distress Signals, and of the working of ships in narrow water or among shipping.

(4.) Also as to his first duty when going on board and before taking charge of a vessel; mooring and unmooring; getting under way; bringing up in light and strong winds, or in a tideway; keeping a ship clear of her anchor in a roadstead or river; and marks of the lead-line.

(5.) Also as to his knowledge of the harbour, river, or roadstead and their approaches (as the case may be), its depth of water, rise, fall, and set of the currents at various times of the tide; the line of soundings; banks, rocks, or other dangers, with directions for clearing the same; the description and position of lights, buoys, and beacons; the proper time of tide to get under way; and any other nautical matter the Board may think proper.

(6.) A candidate applying for the appointment of pilot in harbours or rivers where vessels are piloted from shore by means of shore-signals must have served at least one year as master or chief mate of a vessel or vessels which would be capable of entering such harbour. He must also fulfil the qualifications set forth in paragraphs (1) to (5).

8. Any person committing a breach of or failing to observe these regulations is liable to a fine not exceeding £100.

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Clerk of the Executive Council.

