

with a shore radio station maintained by the New Zealand Government, and shall give her own distinguishing signal, which shall be acknowledged.

(3.) The communication required by the two last preceding clauses shall not be established while the ship is within the minimum air-line range of eighty nautical miles from the nearest shore radio station maintained by the New Zealand Government, unless the nature of the voyage does not allow of this distance being attained, and in that case such communication shall be established from the maximum distance possible.

(4.) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, if a ship of Class IV is fitted with an automatic apparatus the operator or the wireless signaller shall not be required to perform any listening service, but shall nevertheless be required to establish communication as provided by the foregoing clauses of this regulation.

8. MAINTENANCE OF SERVICE.

(1.) The master of every ship shall see that a service is maintained and a watch kept, and communication established, as required by these regulations, and shall be personally liable, without prejudice to the liability of any other person, for any default in maintaining such service, keeping such watch, or establishing such communication.

(2.) Notwithstanding anything contained in these or any other regulations, ships of Class IV shall keep a wireless log-book in the form set out in the Second Schedule to these regulations, in which shall be duly recorded all wireless communications transmitted and received. All such communications shall be recorded in the wireless log-book immediately on their occurrence, and the wireless log-book shall at all times be available for inspection while the ship is in a port.

9. INSPECTION OF INSTALLATIONS.

(1.) A Superintendent, or a Wireless-telegraph Inspector, or any person authorized in writing by the Minister may inspect any ship for the purpose of seeing that she is properly provided with an installation and operators, wireless signallers, and watchers in conformity with these regulations; and for the purposes of that inspection such persons shall be deemed to have all the powers of a Marine-Inspector under the Shipping and Seamen Act, 1908.

(2.) If the said Superintendent or Inspector or other person authorized by the Minister finds that the ship is not so provided, subject to any exemption or partial exemption from the requirements of these regulations that may have been granted, he shall give to the master or owner notice in writing pointing out the deficiency.

(3.) Every notice so given shall be communicated to the Customs Officer at any port at which the ship may seek to obtain a clearance or transire, and the ship shall be detained until a certificate under the hand of any such Superintendent or Inspector or other person authorized by the Minister is produced to the effect that the ship is properly provided with an installation and operators, wireless signallers, and watchers in conformity with these regulations, subject to any such exemption or partial exemption as aforesaid.

10. OPERATORS AND WIRELESS SIGNALLERS.

(1.) Operators shall be graded into three grades in accordance with regulations to be made by the Minister of Telegraphs, and until so graded—

- (a.) An operator shall be deemed to hold a first-grade certificate if he holds a first-class certificate in radio-telegraphy issued by the Minister of Telegraphs under the Wireless Telegraph Regulations for Ship Stations dated 7th September, 1914, and has had at least three years' experience as an operator;
- (b.) An operator shall be deemed to hold a second-grade certificate if he holds a first- or second-class certificate in radio-telegraphy so issued by the Minister of Telegraphs, and has had at least one year's experience as an operator;
- (c.) An operator shall be deemed to hold a third-grade certificate if he holds a first- or second-class certificate in radio-telegraphy so issued by the Minister of Telegraphs, and has had less than one year's experience as an operator; and
- (d.) First-, second-, or third-grade certificates, or equivalent certificates, granted to operators by the Government of any part of His Majesty's Dominions or of a foreign country in pursuance of the regulations annexed to any International Radiotelegraph Convention for the time being in force, shall be accepted as first-, second-, or third-grade certificates within the meaning of these regulations.