

*e.* A steam-vessel when under way may carry an additional white light similar in construction to the light mentioned in subdivision *a.* These two lights shall be so placed in line with the keel that one shall be at least 15 ft. higher than the other, and in such a position with reference to each other that the lower light shall be forward of the upper one. The vertical distance between these lights shall be less than the horizontal distance.

**Art. 3.**—A steam-vessel when towing another vessel shall, in addition to her sidelights, carry two bright white lights in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 ft. apart, and when towing more than one vessel shall carry an additional bright white light 6 ft. above or below such lights if the length of the tow, measuring from the stern of the towing-vessel to the stern of the last vessel towed, exceeds 600 ft. Each of these lights shall be of the same construction and character, and shall be carried in the same position, as the white light mentioned in Article 2 *a.*, except the additional light, which may be carried at a height of not less than 14 ft. above the hull.

Such steam-vessel may carry a small white light abaft the funnel or aftermast for the vessel towed to steer by, but such light shall not be visible forward of the beam.

**Art. 4.**—*a.* A vessel which from any accident is not under command shall carry at the same height as the white light mentioned in Article 2 *a.*, where they can best be seen, and, if a steam-vessel, in lieu of that light, two red lights in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 ft. apart, and of such a character as to be visible all round the horizon at a distance of at least 2 miles; and shall by day carry in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 ft. apart, where they can best be seen, two black balls or shapes, each 2 ft. in diameter.

*b.* A vessel employed in laying or in picking up a telegraph-cable shall carry in the same position as the white light mentioned in Article 2 *a.*, and, if a steam-vessel, in lieu of that light, three lights in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 ft. apart. The highest and lowest of these lights shall be red, and the middle light shall be white, and they shall be of such a character as to be visible all round the horizon at a distance of at least 2 miles. By day she shall carry in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 ft. apart, where they can best be seen, three shapes not less than 2 ft. in diameter, of which the highest and lowest shall be globular in shape and red in colour, and the middle one diamond in shape and white.

*c.* The vessels referred to in this article, when not making way through the water, shall not carry the sidelights, but when making way shall carry them.

*d.* The lights and shapes required to be shown by this article are to be taken by other vessels as signals that the vessel showing them is not under command, and cannot therefore get out of the way.

These signals are not signals of vessels in distress and requiring assistance. Such signals are contained in Article 31.

**Art. 5.**—A sailing-vessel under way, and any vessel being towed, shall carry the same lights as are prescribed by Article 2 for a steam-vessel under way, with the exception of the white lights mentioned therein, which they shall never carry.

**Art. 6.**—Whenever, as in the case of small vessels under way during bad weather, the green and red sidelights cannot be fixed, these lights shall be kept at hand lighted and ready for use; and shall, on the approach of or to other vessels, be exhibited on their respective sides in sufficient time to prevent collision, in such manner as to make them most visible, and so that the green light shall not be seen on the port side nor the red light on the starboard side, nor, if practicable, more than two points abaft the beam on their respective sides.

To make the use of these portable lights more certain and easy, the lanterns containing them shall each be painted outside with the colour of the light they respectively contain, and shall be provided with proper screens.

**Art. 7.**—Steam-vessels of less than 40, and vessels under oars or sails of less than 20, tons gross tonnage, respectively, and rowing-boats, when under way, shall not be obliged to carry the lights mentioned in Article 2 *a.*, *b.*, and *c.*, but if they do not carry them they shall be provided with the following lights:—