CLASS V.

Rules for Steamships certified to carry Passengers on Short Specified Passages along the Coast of New Zealand.

Rule A.—A ship of this class shall, subject to the following proviso, comply with the provisions of Class I, home-trade: Provided that a ship of this class, when engaged—(a) on certain voyages near the coasts of New Zealand, specially scheduled for this purpose; or (b)on daylight excursions, shall not be required to carry more sets of davits, or lifeboats of a greater aggregate cubic capacity, than are respectively specified in the second columns of Tables A and B in Appendix III; and shall not be required to comply with the provisions of General Rule 5 (2), or of General Rule 11 (2) or (3).

Ships of this class when plying on daylight excursions only shall be provided with lifeboats, approved deck-seats, or other approved buoyant apparatus sufficient to provide accommodation for 70 per cent. of the total number of persons carried.

CLASS VI.

Rules for Steamships certified to carry Passengers on Short Excursions to Sea—i.e., beyond Partially Smooth-water Limits—during Daylight,

and in Fine Weather.

Rule A.—Subject to the provisions of General Rule 21 (1), a ship of this class shall be provided, in accordance with its length, with such number of sets of davits as is specified in the table in Appendix IV; each set of davits shall have an open lifeboat of Class 1 attached to it:

Provided that no ship shall be required to have a number of sets of davits greater than the number of boats required to accommodate the total number of persons carried, or which the ship is certified to carry, whichever number is the greater.

Rule B.—Such further number of lifeboats, or such number of approved buoyant deck-seats, or other approved buoyant apparatus shall be provided as shall be sufficient, together with the lifeboats required by Rule A, to accommodate 70 per cent. of the total number of persons carried.

Rule C.—The lifeboats carried shall be of such reasonable capacity, having regard to the size of the ship, as the Department may require:

Provided that no ship shall be required to carry lifeboats of an aggregate capacity greater than is required to accommodate the total number of persons which the ship is certified to carry.

Rule D.—If the ship is under 200 ft. in length, at least four approved lifebuoys shall be carried; and if 200 ft. or over in length, at least eight approved lifebuoys shall be carried. One approved lifejacket shall be carried for each person on board.

CLASS VII.

Rules for Steamships certified to carry Passengers in Partially Smooth Water.

Rule A.—Subject to the provisions of General Rule 21 (1), a ship of this class shall be provided, in accordance with its length, with the number of sets of davits specified in the table in Appendix IV; each set of davits shall have a boat attached to it:

Provided that no ship shall be required to have a number of sets of davits greater than the number of boats required to accommodate the total number of persons carried, or which the ship is certified to carry, whichever number is the greater :

Provided also that appliances or arrangements at least as effective as davits for launching boats may be accepted by the Marine Department in lieu of davits :

Provided further that no vessel which has been required to carry only one boat up to the time of coming into operation of these regulations shall be required to carry more than one boat.

Rule B.—Subject to the provisions of General Rule 21 (3) such additional boats or such number of approved buoyant deck-seats, or other approved buoyant apparatus, shall be provided as shall be sufficient, together with the boats required under Rule A, to accommodate 60 per cent. of the total number of persons carried.

Rule C.—The boats carried shall be of such reasonable capacity, having regard to the size of the ship, as the Department may require :

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