

Provided that no ship shall be required to carry boats 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 life-jacket shall be carried for each person on board.

Rule E.—The Marine Department may, in its discretion, relieve a ship of this class wholly or partially from the operation of these rules.

CLASS VIII.

Rules for Steamships certified to carry Passengers in Smooth-water Limits and in Lakes and on Rivers and Canals.

Rule A.—Subject to the provisions of General Rule 21 (3), a ship of this class shall carry such boats, approved buoyant deck-seats, or other approved buoyant apparatus as shall be sufficient, together with the boat or boats required by Rule B where that rule applies, to accommodate 40 per cent. of the total number of persons for which the ship is certified.

Rule B.—A ship of this class if not under 70 ft. and under 150 ft. in length shall carry at least one boat, and if 150 ft. or over in length at least two boats. The boats shall be attached to davits; or other approved appliances at least as effective as davits shall be provided in lieu of davits: Provided that no vessel which has been required to carry only one boat up to the time of the coming into operation of these regulations shall be required to carry more than one boat.

Rule C.—If the ship is under 150 ft. in length, at least four approved lifebuoys shall be carried; and if 150 ft. or over in length, at least six approved lifebuoys shall be carried. One approved life-jacket shall be carried for each person on board.

Rule D.—The Marine Department may, in its discretion, relieve a ship of this class wholly or partially from the operation of these rules.

CLASS IX.

Rules for Steam-launches and Motor-boats plying for Short Distances to Sea beyond Extended River Limits.

Rule A.—A ship of this class if not over 70 ft. in length shall be provided with approved buoyant apparatus sufficient to provide buoyancy for at least 60 per cent. of the total number of persons carried, and approved lifebuoys not less in number than specified in Rule B; the buoyant apparatus, together with the lifebuoys, shall be sufficient to provide buoyancy for the total number of persons carried.

Rule B.—Minimum number of approved lifebuoys to be provided:—

Vessels not exceeding 30 ft. in length	..	2
Vessels exceeding 30 ft. and not exceeding 35 ft.	..	4
Vessels exceeding 35 ft. and not exceeding 40 ft.	..	6
Vessels exceeding 40 ft. and not exceeding 50 ft.	..	8
Vessels exceeding 50 ft. and not exceeding 70 ft.	..	10

Rule C.—Provided that in the case of vessels not exceeding 26 ft. in length, the Department may allow approved lifebuoys to be carried in lieu of part or all of the buoyant apparatus required by Rule A.

Rule D.—A ship of this class not carrying passengers shall be provided with a boat sufficient to accommodate, or with approved buoyant apparatus sufficient to provide buoyancy for, the total number of persons carried, and shall also carry at least two approved lifebuoys.

Rule E.—A ship of this class if over 70 ft. in length shall comply with the rules in Class I, Home trade, applying to a ship of the same length.

CLASS X.

Rules for Steam Fishing-vessels, Fish-carriers, Tugs, Steam Lighters, Dredges, Steam Hoppers, and Hulks, which proceed to Sea.

Rule A.—A ship of this class shall comply with the rules in Class II, Home trade: Provided that it shall not be necessary to carry a lifeboat in the case of fishing and trawling vessels not carrying passengers. Such ships shall carry an ordinary boat suitable and fit to carry the master, seamen, and apprentices, the boat being properly equipped as provided by the said rules, except that it need not be provisioned.