

Rules for Life-saving Appliances.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 9th day of November, 1928.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE SIR FRANCIS BELL, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS it is enacted by section one hundred and ninety-seven of the Shipping and Seamen Act, 1908, that the Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council, make rules, called "Rules for Life-saving Appliances," with respect to all or any of the matters referred to in the said section:

And whereas it is desirable to make rules for arranging British ships into classes, and for defining the boats, rafts, and other appliances for saving life to be carried by ships of each class and otherwise as hereinafter appears:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby make the rules set forth in the Schedule hereto, and doth order that such rules shall come and be in force on and after the first day of February, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, and shall then take the place of the rules heretofore in force.

SCHEDULE.

RULES FOR LIFE-SAVING APPLIANCES.

For the purposes of these rules ships shall be arranged in the following classes, under the headings "Foreign-going" and "Home Trade."

FOREIGN-GOING.

- Class I: Foreign-going passenger-steamers, including emigrant ships.
- Class II: Foreign-going steamships not certified to carry passengers.
- Class III: Foreign-going sailing-ships carrying passengers.
- Class IV: Foreign-going sailing-ships not carrying passengers.

HOME TRADE.

"Home-trade ship" means a ship — (a) Employed in trading or going between any ports or places in New Zealand; or (b) plying on any navigable waters in New Zealand; or (c) going to sea from any port or place in New Zealand and returning to New Zealand without going more than fifty miles from the coast thereof:

Provided that, for the purposes of this definition, the Cook Islands, the Kermadec Islands, the Chatham Islands, the Auckland Islands, Campbell Island, Antipodes Islands, and Bounty Islands shall be deemed to be places out of New Zealand:

Provided also that a ship shall not be deemed to be a home-trade ship merely because in the course of or as preliminary to a voyage to or from any place out of New Zealand she is employed in going between two places in New Zealand, if she does not take on board at any place in New Zealand, to be landed or delivered at any other place in New Zealand, any cargo or passengers other than cargo consigned on through bills of lading, or passengers holding through tickets, to or from any place out of New Zealand.

- Class I: Steamships certified to carry passengers anywhere within home-trade limits.
- Class II: Steamships trading within home-trade limits, but not certified to carry passengers.
- Class III: Sailing-ships and auxiliary-powered vessels carrying passengers anywhere within home-trade limits.
- Class IV: Sailing-ships and auxiliary-powered vessels trading within home-trade limits, but not carrying passengers.
- Class V: Steamships certified to carry passengers on short specified passages along the coasts of New Zealand.