L.N. 108 of 2001

Merchant Shipping (Safety) (Passenger Ship

Construction) (Ships Built Before

1 September 1984) (Amendment)

Regulation 2001

(Made under section 107 of the Merchant Shipping

(Safety) Ordinance (Cap. 369))

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on 13 July 2001.

2. Interpretation and application

Regulation 1(2) of the Merchant Shipping (Safety) (Passenger Ship Construction) (Ships Built Before 1 September 1984) Regulations (Cap. 369 sub. leg.) is amended by adding---

""conning position" (指揮位置) means the position from which the navigation of a ship is controlled;".

3. Part added

The following is added---

"PART VIIC

Navigation Bridge Visibility

131E. Navigation bridge visibility

- (1) Every ship to which these regulations apply which is not less than 45 metres in length shall meet the following requirements where practicable---
- (a) the view of the sea surface from the conning position shall not be obscured by more than two ship lengths, or
- 500 metres, whichever is the less, forward of the bow to 10° on either side under all conditions of draught, trim and deck cargo;
- (b) blind sector caused by cargo, cargo gear or other obstructions outside of the wheelhouse forward of the beam which obstructs the view of the sea surface as seen from the conning position, shall not exceed 10° . The total arc of blind sectors shall not exceed 20° . The clear sectors between blind sectors shall be at least 5° . However, in the view described in paragraph (a), each individual blind sector shall not exceed 5° .
- (2) In complying with the requirements of subregulation (1), structural alterations or additional equipment is not required to be made or fitted, as the case may be.".

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Merchant Shipping (Safety) (Passenger Ship Construction) (Ships Built Before 1 September 1984) Regulations (Cap. 369 sub. leg.) so as to bring it into conformity with the new provisions of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974.