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MERCHANT SHIPPING (MISCELLANEOUS CRAFT)

(AMENDMENT) REGULATION 1998

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under sections 33 and 35(1) of the Shipping and Port Control Ordinance (Cap. 313))

- 1. Licences and voyage permits
- Regulation 3 of the Merchant Shipping (Miscellaneous Craft) Regulations (Cap. 313 sub. leg.) is amended---
- (a) by repealing paragraph (1) and substituting---
- "(1) (a) The Director is hereby authorized to issue licences under these regulations for use and operation $\frac{1}{2}$
- of vessels according to their appropriate classification as in regulation 2.
- (b) All licences shall be subject to such conditions as the Director may think fit and such conditions shall be specified in the respective licences.
- (c) Upon payment of the appropriate prescribed fee, the Director may further issue licence discs to the applicants.";
- (b) in paragraph (6)---
 - (i) by adding "and upon payment of the prescribed fee" after "on application";
- (ii) in subparagraph (a), by adding "allowing the vessel to remain in the waters of Hong Kong for any one period not exceeding 7 days" after "permit";
 - (iii) in subparagraph (b)---
- (A) by adding "allowing the vessel to proceed on a single voyage from Hong Kong to a specified port for a specified purpose" after "permit";
- (B) by repealing the comma at the end and substituting a full stop;
 - (iv) by repealing everything after subparagraph (b).
- 2. Obligation to obtain licence

Regulation 4 is amended---

- (a) in paragraph (1)---
 - (i) by repealing "in the form prescribed by these regulations";
 - (ii) by adding "under these regulations" after "Director";
- (b) in paragraph (2), by repealing "in the prescribed form".
- 3. Prohibition of dangerous goods

Regulation 34(1) is repealed and the following substituted---

- "(1) No master, owner or agent of any vessel shall receive or have on board the vessel, and no person shall place on board any vessel, any dangerous goods unless---
- (a) in the case of petroleum products carried in bulk, a declaration in the form prescribed in the Eighth Schedule to the effect that the vessel is fit to carry such

products in bulk; or

- (b) in the case of any other dangerous goods, a permit for the carriage of those goods, has been issued in respect of the vessel by the Director.".
- 4. Restriction on leaving Hong Kong Regulation 43 is repealed.
- 5. Schedules repealed

The First, Third, Sixth and Ninth Schedules are repealed.

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Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Merchant Shipping (Miscellaneous Craft) Regulations (Cap. 313 sub. leg.) ("principal Regulations") by repealing various prescribed forms currently in use for issue of licences or permits. The form of the licences or permits concerned and the conditions upon which they are issued shall be determined by the Director of Marine. It also removes the requirement for Class II vessels leaving Hong Kong to obtain a special permit by repealing regulation 43 and the Sixth Schedule of the principal Regulations.