
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1993 No. 3138

**The Merchant Shipping (Registration
of Ships) Regulations 1993**

PART IV

**QUALIFICATION AND ENTITLEMENT OF BRITISH FISHING
VESSELS TO BE REGISTERED ON PART II OF THE REGISTER**

Dispensations

15.—(1) Where in the case of any fishing vessel, the Secretary of State is satisfied that:—

- (a) a fishing vessel would be eligible to be registered but for the fact that any particular individual, or (as the case may be) each of a number of particular individuals, is not a British citizen or a national of a member State ^{F1}... (and is accordingly not a qualified person), and
- (b) it would be appropriate to dispense with the requirement of British citizenship or nationality of such a member State in the case of that individual or those individuals, in view of the length of time he has or they have resided in the United Kingdom and have been involved in the fishing industry of the United Kingdom,

the Secretary of State may determine that that requirement should be so dispensed with; and if he does so, the vessel shall, so long as sub-paragraph (a) above applies to it and any such determination remains in force, be treated for the purposes of registration on Part II of the Register as being eligible to be registered as a British fishing vessel.

F1 Words in [reg. 15\(1\)\(a\)](#) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Merchant Shipping \(Miscellaneous Provisions\) \(Amendments etc.\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2018 \(S.I. 2018/1221\)](#), [reg. 2\(b\)](#), [Sch. para. 1\(5\)](#); 2020 c. 1, [Sch. 5 para. 1\(1\)](#)

Commencement Information

II [Reg. 15](#) in force at 21.3.1994, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Merchant Shipping (Registration of Ships) Regulations 1993, Section 15.