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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1993 No. 3138**

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

**PART III**

**QUALIFICATION AND ENTITLEMENT FOR  
REGISTRATION ON PART I OF THE REGISTER**

**British connection and majority interest**

8.—(1) Subject to [<sup>F1</sup>the relevant provisions of the sanctions regulations,] regulation 36(4) (Refusal of registration) and paragraphs (2), [<sup>F2</sup>(3), (4) and (5)] below a ship shall be entitled to be registered if a majority interest in the ship is owned by one or more persons qualified [<sup>F3</sup>under regulation 7(1)].

(2) [<sup>F4</sup>Where a majority interest in a ship is owned by] a person or persons qualified by reason of [<sup>F5</sup>regulation 7(1), other than sub-paragraphs (c), (d) or (g)], the ship shall, subject to paragraphs (3) and (4) below, be registered only if that person or (as the case may be) any of those persons is resident in the United Kingdom.

(3) Where the condition in paragraph (2) is not satisfied the ship shall be registered only if a representative person is appointed in relation to the ship under Part V.

(4) [<sup>F6</sup>Where] the majority interest is owned by persons one or more of whom are persons who are qualified by reason of:—

(a) regulation 7(1)(c) or (d), the ship shall be registered only if:—

(i) that person, or (as the case may be) any of those persons, is resident in the United Kingdom, or

(ii) where that condition is not satisfied, the Secretary of State furnishes a declaration that he consents to the ship being registered, and, in addition, a representative person is appointed in relation to the ship;

(b) regulation 7(1)(g), the ship shall be registered only if:—

(i) the body corporate has a place of business in the United Kingdom, or

(ii) where that condition is not satisfied, if a representative person is appointed in relation to the ship.

(5) [<sup>F7</sup>Where] the majority interest is owned by the following persons:—

(a) one or more persons who are qualified by reason of [<sup>F8</sup>regulation 7(1), other than sub-paragraphs (c), (d) or (g)], and

(b) one or more persons qualified by reason of regulation 7(1)(c) or (d), or

(c) one or more persons qualified by reason of regulation 7(1)(g),

[<sup>F9</sup>the ship shall only be] registered—

- (i) if any of those persons is resident in the United Kingdom, or
- (ii) (where that condition is not satisfied) if a representative person is appointed in relation to the ship.

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#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in [reg. 8\(1\)](#) inserted (31.12.2020) by [The Merchant Shipping \(Registration of Ships\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/509), regs. 1(3), **6(a)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F2** Words in [reg. 8\(1\)](#) substituted (21.3.1994) by [The Merchant Shipping \(Registration of Ships\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 1994](#) (S.I. 1994/541), regs. 1, **4(a)(i)**
- F3** Words in [reg. 8\(1\)](#) substituted (21.3.1994) by [The Merchant Shipping \(Registration of Ships\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 1994](#) (S.I. 1994/541), regs. 1, **4(a)(ii)**
- F4** Words in [reg. 8\(2\)](#) substituted (21.3.1994) by [The Merchant Shipping \(Registration of Ships\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 1994](#) (S.I. 1994/541), regs. 1, **4(b)**
- F5** Words in [reg. 8\(2\)](#) substituted (29.3.2019) by [The Merchant Shipping \(Registration of Ships\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/509), regs. 1(2), **6(b)**
- F6** Word in [reg. 8\(4\)](#) substituted (21.3.1994) by [The Merchant Shipping \(Registration of Ships\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 1994](#) (S.I. 1994/541), regs. 1, **4(c)**
- F7** Word in [reg. 8\(5\)](#) substituted (21.3.1994) by [The Merchant Shipping \(Registration of Ships\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 1994](#) (S.I. 1994/541), regs. 1, **4(d)(i)**
- F8** Words in [reg. 8\(5\)\(a\)](#) substituted (29.3.2019) by [The Merchant Shipping \(Registration of Ships\) \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (S.I. 2019/509), regs. 1(2), **6(c)**
- F9** Words in [reg. 8\(5\)](#) substituted (21.3.1994) by [The Merchant Shipping \(Registration of Ships\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 1994](#) (S.I. 1994/541), regs. 1, **4(d)(ii)**

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#### Commencement Information

- I1** [Reg. 8](#) 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 8.