
DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Merchant Shipping (Fire Protection) Regulations 2023

PART 3

Fire protection requirements for ships constructed on or after 1st July 2002 and before 1st July 2012 engaged on international voyages

Application

14. This Part applies to ships of Classes I, II, VII, VII(T), VIII, VIII(T) and IX, the keels of which were laid, or which were at a similar stage of construction, on or after 1st July 2002 and before 1st July 2012, and engaged on international voyages.

Compliance by ships constructed on or after 1st July 2002 and before 1st July 2012 and engaged on international voyages

15.—(1) A ship to which this Part applies must comply with each requirement in Merchant Shipping Notice 1901 (M) that applies to it.

(2) A ship to which this Part applies must comply with—

- (a) each requirement listed in regulation 1.2 of Part A of Chapter II-2 (applicable requirements to existing ships); and
- (b) each requirement of—
 - (i) regulation 1.6 of Part A of Chapter II-2 (application of requirements to tankers); and
 - (ii) Parts B, C, D, E and G of Chapter II-2 (fire protection requirements),

that applies to it⁽¹⁾.

(3) For the purposes of this regulation, where there is a conflict between the requirements of—

- (a) Merchant Shipping Notice 1901 (M); and
- (b) the provisions of Chapter II-2 described in paragraph (2),

the provisions of Chapter II-2 take precedence.

⁽¹⁾ Ships constructed on or after 1st July 2002 and before 1st July 2012 are subject to certain specified requirements in Chapter II-2, including the provisions that apply to “all ships”. The expression “all ships” is defined in regulation 1.1.2.2 of Chapter II-2 and includes references to all ships, irrespective of type, constructed before, on or after 1st July 2002 and before 1st July 2012.