



# Merchant Shipping Act 1988

## 1988 CHAPTER 12

### PART I

#### REGISTRATION OF BRITISH SHIPS

##### *Registration under Part I of 1894 Act*

#### **9 Duty of owner of registered ship to secure termination of any overseas registration**

- (1) Where a ship becomes registered at a time when it is already registered under the law of any country outside the United Kingdom, the owner of the ship shall take all reasonable steps to secure the termination of the ship's registration under the law of that country.
- (2) Any person who contravenes subsection (1) shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding the third level on the standard scale.
- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to a ship which becomes registered in pursuance of section 53B of the 1894 Act (transfer of registration under that Act from overseas territory).