

1978 No. 1533

MERCHANT SHIPPING

SHIPS AND SHIPOWNERS

**The Merchant Shipping (Registration of Government Ships)
Order 1978**

Made - - - - - 24th October 1978

Laid before Parliament 1st November 1978

Coming into Operation 22nd November 1978

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 24th day of October 1978

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by section 80 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1906(a) is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Registration of Government Ships) Order 1978 and shall come into operation on 22nd November 1978.

2. The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3. This Order makes the following amendments:—

(1) For Article 23(v) of an Order in Council made on 22nd March 1911(c), as amended (d), relating to the registration of British ships or vessels in the service of the Ministry of Defence (provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts not applying to Government ships in the service of the Ministry of Defence registered in pursuance of the provisions of this Order in Council) there shall be substituted:—

“(v) The Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act 1898.
The whole Act other than section 3.”;

(a) 1906 c. 48.
(c) S.R. & O. 1911/338.

(b) 1889 c. 63.
(d) S.I. 1964/489.

(2) In Article 9 of an Order in Council made on 14th July 1921(a) relating to the registration of British ships or vessels in the service of the Board of Trade (provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts not applying to Government ships in the service of the Board of Trade) for "Sections 3 and 5 of the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act 1898" there shall be substituted "Section 5 of the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act 1898."

N. E. Leigh,
Clerk of the Privy Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends an Order in Council of 1911 (Government ships in the service of the Ministry of Defence) and an Order in Council of 1921 (Government ships in the service of the Board of Trade) by applying the provisions of section 3 of the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act 1898 (c. 44) to those Government ships. This amendment provides for the payment of fees under the 1898 Act, by the Ministry of Defence and the Departments of Trade, Prices and Consumer Protection, Energy, Environment and Transport (formerly the Board of Trade) upon the registration, transfer and mortgage of ships in their service.

(a) S.R. & O. 1921/1211.

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