STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1979 No. 976

MERCHANT SHIPPING

The Merchant Shipping (Dangerous Goods) (Amendment) Rules 1979

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The Secretary of State, in exercise of powers conferred by section 23 of the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) Act 1949(a) and now vested in him(b) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Rules:—

- 1. These Rules may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Dangerous Goods) (Amendment) Rules 1979 and shall come into operation on 1st September 1979.
- 2. The Merchant Shipping (Dangerous Goods) Rules 1978(c) shall be amended as follows:

In Rule 1(2):

for the definitions of "The Blue Book" and "The IMDG Code" there shall be substituted:

"The Blue Book" means the 1978 Report of the Department of Trade's Standing Advisory Committee on the Carriage of Dangerous Goods in Ships as amended by Amendment No. 1 of 1979;

"The IMDG Code" means the 1977 edition of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code, as amended by Amendments Nos. 14 and 15, published by the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organisation ("IMCO").

Norman Tebbit,
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Trade.

1st August 1979.

(b) See S.I. 1970/1537

(c) S.I. 1978/1543.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Rules.)

These Rules amend the Merchant Shipping (Dangerous Goods) Rules 1978. The Blue Book and the IMDG Code, referred to in the Rules, have now been amended and the Rules make the necessary amendments.

The Blue Book and amendments may be purchased from Her Majesty's Stationery Office. The IMDG Code and amendments may be purchased from the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organisation, London.

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