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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1988 No. 2293**

**The Merchant Shipping (Reception  
Facilities for Garbage) Regulations 1988**

**Citation, commencement, interpretation**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Reception Facilities for Garbage) Regulations 1988 and shall come into force on 31st December 1988.

(2) For the purpose of these Regulations:

“adequate” means in relation to reception facilities for garbage from ships, adequate to receive garbage from ships using the port or terminal in question without causing undue delay to, and according to the needs of, those ships;

“garbage” means all kinds of victual, domestic and operational waste excluding fresh fish and parts thereof, generated during the normal operation of the ship and liable to be disposed of continuously or periodically, except sewage originating from ships;

“harbour” means a harbour, port, estuary, haven, dock or other place used by ships but does not include a terminal as hereinafter defined;

“harbour authority” means a person or body of persons having, for the time being, the management of a harbour in the United Kingdom;

“harmful substances in packaged form” means those substances which are identified as marine pollutants in the IMDG Code and which are in the form of containment specified in the schedules of that Code;

“noxious liquid substances” and “non-polluting liquid substances” have the meanings respectively given to them in the Merchant Shipping (Control of Pollution by Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk) Regulations 1987(1);

“oil” and “oily mixtures” have the meanings respectively given to them in the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) Regulations 1983(2);

“operational wastes” means all maintenance wastes, cargo associated wastes and cargo residues except residues or wastes from oil or oily mixtures, noxious liquid substances, non-polluting liquid substances or harmful substances in packaged form but does not include waste directly arising from the exploration, exploitation and associated off-shore processing of sea bed mineral resources;

“reception facilities” means facilities into which ships may discharge garbage;

“ship” means a vessel of any type whatsoever operating in the marine environment including submersible craft, floating craft and any structure which is a floating platform but excludes hovercraft;

“terminal” means a terminal, jetty, pier, wharf, or mono-buoy used by ships which is within a harbour but is managed by a person or body of persons other than the harbour authority for that harbour;

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(1) S.I.1987/551.

(2) S.I. 1983/1398, to which there is an amendment not relevant to these regulations.

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**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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“terminal operator” means a person or body of persons having, for the time being, the management of a terminal;

“the IMDG Code” means the 1977 edition of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code published by the International Maritime Organisation, as amended from time to time by any document which is considered by the Secretary of State to be relevant and is specified in a Merchant Shipping Notice.