STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1990 No. 253

MERCHANT SHIPPING

The Mersey Channel (Collision Rules) (Amendment) Order 1990

Made - - - - 14th February 1990
Laid before Parliament 22nd February 1990
Coming into force - - 16th March 1990

At the Court of Saint James, the 14th day of February 1990 Present,

The Counsellors of State in Council

Whereas Her Majesty in pursuance of the Regency Acts 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the 18th day of January 1990 to delegate to the six Counsellors of State therein named or any two or more of them full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council and to signify thereat Her Majesty's approval for anything for which Her Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And whereas the Mersey Docks and Harbour Company, being the body having authority over the waters of the River Mersey and the sea channels or approaches thereto which are for the time being buoyed on both sides, have made application in pursuance of section 421(2) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1894(1) as extended by section 2 of the Mersey Channels Act 1897(2) for the amendment of the existing rules as regards vessels navigating in the said River and the sea channels or approaches thereto:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother and His Royal Highness the Prince Charles, Prince of Wales, being authorised thereto by the said Letters Patent, and in pursuance of the powers conferred by section 421(2) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1894 as extended by section 2 of the Mersey Channels Act 1897 and by section 738(1) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1894, and of all other powers enabling Her Majesty, and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, do order, on Her Majesty's behalf, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Mersey Channel (Collision Rules) (Amendment) Order 1990 and shall come into force on 16th March 1990.

^{(1) 1894} c. 60; section 421 was extended to seaplanes by section 97(1) of the Civil Aviation Act 1982 (c. 16), and applied to hovercraft by the Hovercraft (Application of Enactments) Order 1972 (S.I.1972/971).

^{(2) 1897} c. 21.

- 2. In the Schedule to the Mersey Channel (Collision Rules) Order 1978(3) Rule 1 is replaced by the following:
 - "1. In these Rules, except where the context otherwise requires—

"Collision Regulations" means the Merchant Shipping (Distress Signals and Prevention of Collisions) Regulations 1989(4) made under section 21 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1979(5) and, in relation to seaplanes, the Collision Regulations (Seaplanes) Order 1989(6) made under section 418(1) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1894 as extended by section 97(1) of the Civil Aviation Act 1982(7)

and the several words and expressions to which meanings are assigned by the Collision Regulations shall have the same meanings as in those Regulations.".

3. The Mersey Channel (Collision Rules) (Amendment) Order 1983(8) is hereby revoked.

G. I. De Deney Clerk of the Privy Council

⁽³⁾ S.I. 1978/1914, amended by S.I. 1983/770.

⁽⁴⁾ S.I. 1989/1798.
(5) 1979 c. 39; section 21 was amended by section 49(3) of the Criminal Justice Act 1982 (c. 48) and section 11 of the Safety at Sea Act 1986 (c. 23).

⁽⁶⁾ S.I. 1989/2005, amended by S.I. 1990/251.

^{(7) 1982} c. 16.

⁽⁸⁾ S.I. 1983/770.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Mersey Channel (Collision Rules) Order 1978 by updating the reference to the Collision Regulations.