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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 75**

**The Merchant Shipping (Distress Signals and  
Prevention of Collisions) Regulations 1996**

**Application**

- 2.—(1) These Regulations apply to the following vessels—
- (a) United Kingdom ships wherever they may be, and other ships while within the United Kingdom or the territorial waters thereof; and
  - (b) seaplanes registered in the United Kingdom and on the surface of water anywhere, and other seaplanes on the surface of water in the United Kingdom or the territorial waters thereof.
- (2) In this regulation “ships” include hovercraft.