
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Merchant Shipping (Crew
Accommodation) Regulations 1997**

PART II

CREW ACCOMMODATION REQUIREMENTS

Medical cabinet

33.—(1) A cabinet or other suitable facility for storing medicines and other medical stores, which the ship is required by regulations made under section 85 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995 to carry for the crew, shall be well ventilated and fitted in a place in the crew area of the ship which—

- (a) is always dry;
- (b) is readily accessible from (but not sited in) the permanent or temporary hospital; and
- (c) is not subject to abnormal heat.

(2) Where a medical cabinet is required it shall be provided with the following—

- (a) an outer door with an efficient lock;
- (b) where controlled drugs are to be stored, an inner cupboard fitted with a door and a lock which cannot be opened by the same key as the lock to the outer door;
- (c) suitable arrangements for the storage of the medicines, medical stores and associated measuring devices all as required by the regulations referred to in paragraph (1); and
- (d) a dispensing counter with a surface that can be easily kept clean.

(3) Where a medical cabinet is fitted it shall be lit by an electric light (which may be inside or immediately outside it) which enables the contents to be clearly seen.