
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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SAFETY

**The Merchant Shipping (Safe Loading and
Unloading of Bulk Carriers) Regulations 2003**

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**THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (SAFE LOADING AND
UNLOADING OF BULK CARRIERS) REGULATIONS 2003**

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Changes to legislation:

The Merchant Shipping (Safe Loading and Unloading of Bulk Carriers) Regulations 2003 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 31 May 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- reg. 12(2)(o) omitted by [S.I. 2024/637 Sch. para. 1\(a\)\(i\)](#)
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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- reg. 12(2)(r) and word inserted by [S.I. 2024/637 Sch. para. 1\(b\)](#)