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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2008 No. 3257**

**The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by  
Sewage and Garbage from Ships) Regulations 2008**

**PART 6**

**Garbage Management Plans and Record books**

**Entries in garbage record books**

**34.**—(1) In relation to a ship to which this regulation applies, the officer in charge of a discharge operation or an incineration must make and sign an entry in the garbage record book in respect of that discharge or incineration, as the case may be, on the date of the discharge or on the date on which the incineration is completed.

(2) An entry in the garbage record book must include—

- (a) the date and time at which the discharge or incineration occurred;
- (b) the position of the ship at the time at which the discharge or incineration occurred;
- (c) a description of, and the estimated amount of, the garbage discharged or incinerated; and
- (d) the signature of the officer in charge of the discharge or incineration.

(3) In the event of a disposal, an escape, or an accidental loss referred to in regulation 6(20), an entry must be made in the garbage record book recording the circumstances of, and the reasons for, the disposal, escape or accidental loss, as the case may be.

(4) In the case of a United Kingdom ship or a relevant platform which is in United Kingdom waters or controlled waters, the entry in the garbage record book must be in English.

(5) In the case of a ship which is neither a United Kingdom ship nor a relevant platform in United Kingdom waters or controlled waters, the entry in the garbage record book must be written in English, French or Spanish.

(6) Where the entries are also made in an official language of the flag State, then if there is a discrepancy in, or a dispute concerning, the different language entries in the garbage record book, the official language of the flag State prevails.

(7) The master of a ship must sign each completed page of the garbage record book relating to the ship.