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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2019 No. 42**

**The Merchant Shipping (Prevention  
of Oil Pollution) Regulations 2019**

**PART 3**

Requirements for Control of Operational Pollution—Control of Discharge of Oil

**Control of discharge of oil in certain special areas**

**27.**—(1) An area referred to in paragraph (2) is not a special area for the purposes of regulations 25 and 26 until such date as the IMO—

- (a) establishes, in accordance with regulation 38.6.1. of Annex I, the date from which the requirements of regulations 15 and 34 of that Annex will take effect in respect of the area in question; and
- (b) publishes a notice to that effect on the website of the IMO <sup>M1</sup>.

(2) The areas are—

- (a) the Red Sea area;
- (b) the Gulf of Aden area; and
- (c) the Oman area of the Arabian Sea,

as defined in regulation 1.11.4, 1.11.6 and 1.11.9 of Annex I.

(3) Until such time as notification is given under paragraph (1), ships navigating in the areas described in paragraph (2) must comply with the discharge requirements in regulations 25 and 26 as if those areas were not special areas.

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**Commencement Information**

**II** [Reg. 27](#) in force at 1.3.2019, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

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**Marginal Citations**

**M1** <http://www.imo.org/en/OurWork/Environment/SpecialAreasUnderMARPOL/Pages/Default.aspx>.  
Information may also be obtained from the IMO Library and the Maritime and Coastguard Agency.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) Regulations 2019, Section 27.