

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 501

The Merchant Shipping (Life-Saving Appliances and Arrangements) Regulations 2020

PART 2

Requirements for ships constructed before 1st July 1998 and engaged on international voyages

Application

9. This Part applies to ships of Classes I, II, VII, VII(A), VII(T), VIII, VIII(T), IX, XI and XII, the keels of which were laid, or which were at a similar stage of construction, before 1st July 1998, and engaged on international voyages.

Commencement Information

11 Reg. 9 in force at 9.6.2020, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

Compliance by ships constructed before 1st July 1998

10.—(1) A ship to which this Part applies must comply with each requirement applicable to that ship prescribed by Merchant Shipping Notice 1676 (Amendment 1).

(2) Except for ships of Classes XI and XII, a ship to which this Part applies must comply with each provision of Part B of Chapter III that applies to it(1).

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (1), where there is a conflict between the requirements of Merchant Shipping Notice 1676 (Amendment 1) and Part B of Chapter III, the latter takes precedence.

Commencement Information

12 Reg. 10 in force at 9.6.2020, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

Replacement of life-saving appliances and arrangements

11.—(1) This regulation does not apply to ships of Classes XI and XII.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) and (4), on a ship to which this Part applies, where—

(a) life-saving appliances or arrangements are replaced; or

(1) Ships constructed before 1st July 1998 are subject to certain specified requirements in Part B of Chapter III, including the provisions that apply to “all ships”. The expression “all ships” is defined in Chapter III and includes all references to “all passenger ships” (including “all ro-ro passenger ships”) and “all cargo ships”.

(b) the ship undergoes repairs, alterations or modifications of a major character which involves replacement of, or any addition to, its life-saving appliances or arrangements, the replacement or additional life-saving appliances or arrangements must, so far as is reasonably practicable, comply with the requirements of Part B of Chapter III.

(3) Any life-saving appliance or arrangement complying with the requirements of Part B of Chapter III is not required to comply with the requirements of Merchant Shipping Notice 1676 (Amendment 1) which would otherwise apply.

(4) Where—

- (a) a survival craft, other than an inflatable liferaft, is replaced but its launching appliance is not; or
- (b) a launching appliance for a survival craft, other than an inflatable liferaft, is replaced but the survival craft is not,

the survival craft or the launching appliance (as the case may be) must be of the same type as that replaced.

(5) For the purposes of paragraph (4), “survival craft” means a craft capable of sustaining the lives of persons in distress from the time of abandoning the ship.

Commencement Information

I3 Reg. 11 in force at 9.6.2020, see [reg. 1\(1\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Merchant Shipping (Life-Saving Appliances and Arrangements) Regulations 2020, PART 2.