
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2020 No. 620

**The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution
by Sewage from Ships) Regulations 2020**

PART 4

Survey and Certification of Ships

Issue of Sewage Certificates by a Certifying Authority in respect of United Kingdom ships

14.—(1) A Certifying Authority must issue a Sewage Certificate in respect of a United Kingdom ship where—

- (a) that Certifying Authority has been notified by a surveyor that the surveyor has carried out an initial survey or a renewal survey;
- (b) the notification described in paragraph (a) includes confirmation that, at the date of that survey, the surveyor is satisfied that the structure, equipment, systems, fittings, arrangements and materials of the ship fully comply with the requirements of Part 3 (equipment); and
- (c) any fee due under the Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations 2018⁽¹⁾ has been paid to that Authority.

(2) Where a ship becomes a United Kingdom ship on transfer from the flag of a Contracting State other than the United Kingdom, a Certifying Authority must issue a Sewage Certificate in respect of that ship where—

- (a) a Sewage Certificate has been issued in respect of the ship and was still valid immediately before the date of the transfer;
- (b) the Certifying Authority has caused a survey to be carried out in respect of the ship; and
- (c) the Certifying Authority is satisfied that—
 - (i) the condition of the ship and its equipment is maintained to conform with the provisions of Annex IV, so as to ensure that the ship is fit to proceed to sea without presenting an unreasonable threat of harm to the marine environment; and
 - (ii) no change, other than the direct replacement of equipment and fittings, has been made to the structure, equipment, systems, fittings, arrangements or materials of the ship covered by the last survey carried out under regulation 4.1 of Annex IV (surveys) without the approval of the Contracting State in question.

(3) A Sewage Certificate issued under this regulation must be in English.

Commencement Information

II Reg. 14 in force at 22.7.2020, see [reg. 1\(2\)](#)

(1) [S.I. 2018/1104](#), to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage from Ships) Regulations 2020, Section 14. (See end of Document for details)*

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