STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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MERCHANT SHIPPING

SAFETY

CIVIL AVIATION

The Collision Regulations and Distress Signals (Amendment) Order 1977

Made - - - -	*29th July* 1977
Laid before Parliament	*1st August* 1977
Coming into Operation	*2nd August* 1977

At the Court at Windsor Castle the 29th day of July 1977

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by sections 418, 424 and 738 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1894**(a)** and all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, on the joint recommendation of the Secretary of State for Defence and the Secretary of State for Trade, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Collision Regulations and Distress Signals (Amendment) Order 1977 and shall come into operation on 2nd August 1977.

2. The Collision Regulations and Distress Signals Order 1977**(b)** shall be amended as follows:

(1) At the end of Article 3(1) there shall be added the following proviso:

"Provided that nothing in this Order shall be taken to require compliance by any vessel or class of vessels which, by virtue of Rule 38 of the Collision Regulations, may be exempted from compliance therewith, with any of the provisions of the said Regulations specified in paragraphs (*a*) to (*g*) inclusive of that Rule, at any time when, by virtue of that Rule, that vessel or class of vessels may be exempted from that provision."

(2) In Schedule 2 there shall be inserted in the list of foreign countries, in the appropriate alphabetical order, the following:

Argentina	Israel
Austria	Japan

N. E. Leigh,
Clerk of the Privy Council.

(a) 1894 c. 60.

(b) S.I. 1977/982 (1977 II, p. 2728).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends the Collision Regulations and Distress Signals Order 1977:

(1) by making it clear that vessels falling within the provisions of Rule 38 (Exemptions) of the Collision Regulations are, without more, exempt from the requirements therein specified (installation and repositioning of lights, and requirements as to sound signal appliances) for the periods of time therein specified;

(2) by adding to the list in Schedule 2 to the Order, further foreign countries to whose vessels the Collision Regulations and Distress Signals Rules apply.

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