EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order alters the liability for payment of light dues in respect of pleasure yachts not ordinarily kept in the United Kingdom, Isle of Man or the Republic of Ireland from an annual payment to a payment equal to one-twelfth of the annual payment in respect of every period of thirty days or less comprised in any visit, and extends the existing exemption from liability to light dues of yachts and pleasure boats of under five tons to yachts and pleasure boats of under twenty tons.

MASTERS AND SEAMEN

1953 No. 1035 (C. 2)

The Merchant Shipping Act, 1948 (Commencement No. 2) Order, 1953

Made - - - - 1*st July*, 1953

Whereas at a session of the International Labour Conference held at Seattle in the year nineteen hundred and forty-six conventions dealing with crew accommodation on board ship and with food and catering for crews on board ship were adopted:

And Whereas at a session of the International Labour Conference held at Geneva in the year nineteen hundred and forty-nine the said convention of nineteen hundred and forty-six dealing with crew accommodation on board ship was revised and was adopted as so revised:

And Whereas the Minister of Transport (hereinafter referred to as "the Minister") is satisfied that it is the wish of the National Maritime Board, being an organisation which appears to him to be representative both of owners of British ships and of seamen employed therein, that sections 1 to 4 (which deal with crew accommodation and with food and catering) of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1948(**a**), (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") should come into operation on the first day of January, 1954, notwithstanding that the said conventions shall not have come into force for the United Kingdom and that it is expedient that the said sections should come into operation on the said date:

Now, therefore, the Minister in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 10 of the Act and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf hereby makes the following Order:—

1. The following provisions of the Act shall come into operation on the first day of January, 1954, that is to say—

(*a*) sections 1 to 4:

(*b*) sections 8 to 12 in so far as they relate to crew accommodation on board ship and to food and catering for crews on board ship and are not in operation in relation thereto.

2. The Interpretation Act, 1889(**b**), shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(a) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 44. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

3. This Order may be cited as the Merchant Shipping Act, 1948 (Commencement No. 2) Order, 1953.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport this first day of July, 1953.

(L.S.)

P. Faulkner,
An Under Secretary of the Ministry of Transport.

1953 No. 422

The Merchant Shipping (Certificates of Competency as A.B.) (Amendment) Regulations, 1953

Made - - - - 13*th March*, 1953
Coming into Operation 1*st April*, 1953

The Minister of Transport in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Section 5 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1948(**a**), and of all other powers him enabling in that behalf hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1.—(1) These Regulations shall come into operation on the first day of April, 1953, and may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Certificates of Competency as A.B.) (Amendment) Regulations, 1953.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(**b**), shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. In the Merchant Shipping (Certificates of Competency as A.B.) Regulations, 1952(**c**), references to ships having a gross tonnage of 100 tons or more shall be construed as including a reference to sailing ships having a gross tonnage of 40 tons or more, and the expressions " of 100 gross tons or more ", " a gross tonnage of less than 100 tons ", and " of under 100 gross tons " shall be construed accordingly.

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport this thirteenth day of March, 1953.

(L.S.)

P. Faulkner,
An Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Transport.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations make service in sailing ships having a gross tonnage of 40 tons or more equivalent to service in ships having a gross tonnage of 100 tons or more for certain purposes of the Merchant Shipping (Certificates of Competency as A.B.) Regulations, 1952.

(a) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 44. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (c) S.I. 1952/740; 1952 II, p. 1712.