STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1978 No. 1754

MERCHANT SHIPPING

MASTERS AND SEAMEN

The Merchant Shipping (Disciplinary Offences) (Amendment) Regulations 1978

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The Secretary of State, after consulting with the organisations referred to in section 99(2) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1970(**a**), in exercise of powers conferred by section 34 of that Act and now vested in him(**b**), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Disciplinary Offences) (Amendment) Regulations 1978 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1979.

2. The Merchant Shipping (Disciplinary Offences) Regulations 1972(**c**), as amended(**d**), shall be further amended as follows:—

In Regulation 2:

(*a*) in paragraph (1), after sub-paragraph (*e*), there shall be added the following sub-paragraph:

"(*f*) in a ship, in respect of which the crew agreement, approved by the Secretary of State, is one to which the National Maritime Board agreement on disciplinary procedures applies and which requires the seaman to comply with the Code of Conduct.";

(*b*) after paragraph (2) there shall be added the following paragraph:

"(3) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(*f*) of this regulation, "the Code of Conduct" means the National Maritime Board publication entitled "Code of Conduct for the Merchant Navy" published in 1978 by the Board.".

Stanley Clinton Davis,
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State
Department of Trade.

4th December 1978

(**a**) 1970 c. 36.
(**b**) *See* S.I. 1970/1537.
(**c**) 1972/1294.
(**d**) S.I. 1974/2047.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the Merchant Shipping (Disciplinary Offences) Regulations 1972. Those Regulations are not to apply to seamen who are employed in a ship, in respect of which the crew agreement, approved by the Secretary of State, is one to which the National Maritime Board agreement on disciplinary procedures applies and which requires the seamen to comply with a National Maritime Board publication entitled "Code of Conduct for the Merchant Navy" published by the Board and obtainable from its office at 17/18 Bury Street, London E.C.3.

Consequential amendments are being made by the following Regulations, which will come into operation at the same time as these Regulations: the Merchant Shipping (Official Log Books) (Amendment) Regulations 1978 (S.I. 1978/1755); the Merchant Shipping (Crew Agreements, Lists of Crew and Discharge of Seamen) (Amendment) Regulations 1978 (S.I. 1978/1756); the Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Documents) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 1978 (S.I. 1978/1758); and the Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Wages and Accounts) (Amendment) Regulations 1978 (S.I. 1978/1757).

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