STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1968 No. 1117

MERCHANT SHIPPING

SAFETY

The Merchant Shipping (Load Lines) (Fees) Regulations 1968

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The Board of Trade with the approval of the Treasury and in exercise of their powers under section 26 of the Merchant Shipping (Load Lines) Act 1967(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf hereby make the following Regulations :—

1. The fee payable in respect of—

(1) the survey of a ship carried out pursuant to the Merchant Shipping (Load Line) Rules 1968(b) with a view to the issue of a load line certificate or a load line exemption certificate ; and

(2) the periodical inspection pursuant to the said rules of a ship for which such a certificate is in force

shall, subject to Regulation 4, be the appropriate standard fee specified in the table in Part I of the Schedule to these Regulations.

2. The fee payable in respect of the inspection of a ship with a view to the issue of a load line certificate under Regulation 3 of the Merchant Shipping (Load Lines) (Transitional Provisions) Regulations 1968(c) shall be the same as that for a periodical inspection specified in Regulation 1(2).

3. The fee in the case of a survey specified in Regulation 1(1) or an inspection specified in Regulation 2 shall cover the issue of a load line certificate or a load line exemption certificate following the survey or inspection, as the case may be, and in the case of a periodical inspection specified in Regulation 1(2) shall cover the endorsement of a certificate following the inspection.

4. The standard fee shall be adjusted in accordance with Part II of the Schedule to these Regulations.

5.—(1) In these Regulations—

"the Act" means the Merchant Shipping (Load Lines) Act 1967 ;
"the 1932 Act" means the Merchant Shipping (Safety and Load Line Conventions) Act 1932(d) ;
"Assigning Authority" means a body which is an Assigning Authority for the purpose of the load line rules for the time being in force under the Act ;
"a classed ship" means a ship which has been surveyed by or on behalf of an Assigning Authority (other than the Board) and has, following such survey, been classified by that authority in accordance with standards set for ships by it and remains so classified at the date of the survey or inspection for which the relevant fee is payable ;

(a) 1967 c. 27.
(b) S.I. 1968/1053 (1968 II, p. 2774).
(c) S.I. 1968/1052 (1968 II, p. 2769).
(d) 1932 c. 9.

"unclassed ship" means a ship which is not a classed ship ;
"tons" means tons gross tonnage and the gross tonnage of ships having alternative gross tonnages shall be taken to be the larger of those tonnages.

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

6. These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Load Lines) (Fees) Regulations 1968 and shall come into force on 21st July 1968.

William Rodgers,
Minister of State,
Board of Trade.

12th July 1968.

We approve the making of these Regulations.

B. K. O'Malley,
J. McCann,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

12th July 1968.

SCHEDULE

PART I

TABLE OF STANDARD FEES

Ship's Tonnage	Fees			
	Classed Ships		Unclassed Ships	
	1 Survey	2 Periodical Inspection	3 Survey	4 Periodical Inspection
	£ s.	£ s.	£ s.	£ s.
Under 50 tons	15 3	6 18	34 10	5 10
50 tons and under 150	17 18	6 18	68 15	9 13
150 " " " 300	27 10	9 13	92 5	12 8
300 " " " 500	34 10	12 8	124 0	16 10
500 " " " 1,000	42 15	15 3	160 0	22 0
1,000 " " " 1,500	53 15	19 5	207 0	27 10
1,500 " " " 2,000	60 10	20 13	237 0	33 0
2,000 " " " 2,500	67 10	23 8	270 0	33 0
2,500 " " " 3,000	74 5	26 3	302 0	37 5
3,000 " " " 4,000	78 10	27 10	333 0	42 15
4,000 " " " 5,000	88 0	27 10	366 0	42 15
5,000 " " " 6,000	95 0	27 10	399 0	42 15
6,000 " " " 7,000	102 0	29 0	429 0	42 15
7,000 " " " 8,000	106 0	29 0	462 0	42 15
8,000 " " " 9,000	110 0	30 5	495 0	42 15
9,000 " " " 10,000	113 0	33 0	528 0	42 15
10,000 tons and above ...	113 0	33 0	561 0 Plus £33 for every 1,000 tons or part of 1,000 tons by which the tonnage exceeds 10,999 tons.	42 15

(a) 1889 c. 63.

PART II

ADJUSTMENTS OF STANDARD FEES

A. SURVEYS

Periodical surveys of ships which have previously held certificates

1.—(1) In the case of a periodical survey of a classed ship the standard fee shall, except in a case to which sub-paragraph (2) of this paragraph applies, be reduced by one half.

(2) Where the periodical survey of a classed ship is carried out by a surveyor on behalf of an Assigning Authority other than the Board at the same time as a special survey of the ship for classification purposes for which a fee is charged by that Authority, the standard fee shall be that which would be appropriate for a periodical inspection of the ship.

(3) In this paragraph "periodical survey" means a survey of a ship in respect of which there is in force at the time of the survey, or was in force immediately before that time, a load line certificate or a load line exemption certificate issued by or on behalf of the Board under the Act or the 1932 Act.

Survey carried out concurrently with other surveys

2.—(1) Where a survey of a ship is carried out by a surveyor appointed by the Board concurrently with—

(*a*) a survey of the ship for a Passenger Steamer Certificate or a Passenger and Safety Certificate—

(i) in the case of a classed ship, no fee shall be payable;

(ii) in the case of an unclassed ship the fee shall be one half that which would otherwise be payable;

(*b*) a survey of the ship (whether classed or unclassed) for the issue of a Cargo Ship Safety Construction Certificate, the fee shall be one half that which would otherwise be payable.

(2) No additional fee shall be payable under paragraph 5 or paragraph 6 of this Schedule in any case to which sub-paragraph (1)(*a*) of this paragraph applies.

Survey where alterations do not necessitate a complete survey

3. Where, in the case of a survey of a ship (whether classed or unclassed) in respect of which a load line certificate under the 1932 Act or under the Act, or a load line exemption certificate is in force, alterations have been made to the ship which involve the assignment of new freeboards but are not such as to necessitate a complete survey of the ship for that purpose, the standard fee shall be that which would be appropriate for a periodical inspection of the ship, and as if the ship had, in any event, been a classed ship.

Partial survey carried out afloat for issue of short-term certificates

4. Where a survey other than a complete survey is carried out on a ship afloat (whether classed or unclassed) for the purpose of the issue in respect of the ship of a certificate valid for a period not exceeding 12 months, the standard fee shall be reduced by one half.

Additional fee when survey involves inquiry into stability

5.—(1) In the case of the survey of a ship which is required to comply with the requirements of Schedule 4 to the Merchant Shipping (Load Line) Rules 1968 relating to stability there shall, subject to sub-paragraph (2) of this paragraph, be paid an additional fee of £60 plus £1 for every metre, if any, by which the length of the ship exceeds 24 metres subject to a maximum additional fee of £400.

(2) No additional fee shall be paid under this paragraph if—

(*a*) the ship has been previously surveyed under the said rules and was at the time of that survey required to comply with the above-mentioned requirements relating to stability, and

(*b*) no changes have been made in the ship since that survey which involve a re-examination of whether the ship continues to comply with those requirements.

Additional fee where survey involves calculations relating to floodability

6. Where in the case of a ship of more than 100 metres in length a survey involves calculations for the purposes of Schedule 5 of the Merchant Shipping (Load Line) Rules 1968 as to the ability of the ship to withstand the flooding of compartments, there shall be paid an additional fee of £150.

B. PERIODICAL INSPECTIONS

Additional fees for periodical inspections

7.—(1) Where the periodical inspection of a ship of over 300 tons (whether classed or unclassed) is completed in one operation but requires two or more visits to the ship by the surveyor, there shall be paid an additional fee of £11.

(2) Where the periodical inspection of a ship (whether classed or unclassed) is not completed in one operation there shall be paid—

(*a*) an additional fee of £11 for each part of the inspection, and

(*b*) if the ship is over 300 tons and any part of the inspection requires two or more visits to the ship by the surveyor, a further additional fee of £11 in respect of each such part.

(3) An inspection shall be taken for the purposes of this paragraph to be completed in one operation if it is completed within one day, or within a period of successive days (excluding Sundays or public holidays) on each of which one or more visits to the ship are paid by the surveyor.

(4) Where for the purposes of an inspection it is necessary for the surveyor to revisit the ship for the sole purpose of checking the rectification of defects found at an earlier stage of the inspection and on that visit those defects are found to be rectified, such visit shall not be taken into account for the purposes of this paragraph.

(5) Where the periodical inspection of a ship is not completed in one operation but the fact that it is not so completed is in no way attributable to failure by the owner to have the ship available for inspection at any time after the commencement of the inspection, sub-paragraph (2) of this paragraph shall not be applicable.

Remission of fee where periodical inspection carried out concurrently with certain surveys

8. Where the periodical inspection of a ship is carried out by a surveyor appointed by the Board at the same time as—

(1) survey of the ship for the issue of a Passenger Steamer Certificate or a Passenger and Safety Certificate, or

(2) any intermediate survey of the ship required under the cargo ship construction and survey rules made under the Merchant Shipping Act 1964(a)

no fee shall be payable in respect of that inspection.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations prescribe the fees payable for inspections and surveys carried out in pursuance of the Merchant Shipping (Load Lines) Act 1967 and the Rules made thereunder.

(a) 1964 c. 47.