STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1981 No. 582

MERCHANT SHIPPING

SAFETY

The Merchant Shipping (Radio Installations) (Amendment) Regulations 1981

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The Secretary of State, after consultation with the persons referred to in section 22(2) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1979(**a**), in exercise of the powers conferred on him by subsections (1)(*b*), (3)(*a*), (*d*), (*e*), (*f*), (*o*) and (*q*), (4)(*a*) and (6)(*a*) and (*b*) of section 21 and section 22(1)(*a*), (*c*) and (*d*) of that Act 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 (Radio Installations) (Amendment) Regulations 1981 and shall come into operation on 1st May 1981.

2. The Merchant Shipping (Radio Installations) Regulations 1980(**b**) shall be amended as follows:

(1) in regulation 1(2) the definition of "Safety Convention ship" shall be deleted;

(2) in regulation 2(1)(*b*) the words "Safety Convention" shall be deleted.

Trefgarne,

Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department of Trade.

8th April 1981.

(**a**) 1979 c. 39. (**b**) S.I. 1980/529.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Merchant Shipping (Radio Installations) Regulations 1980 (which require the provision of radiotelephone or radiotelegraph installations on certain ships) and give effect to the Protocol of 1978 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea 1974 (Cmnd. 7346) which was laid before Parliament in October 1978. Pursuant to the Protocol, the application of the 1980 Regulations is extended, with effect from 1st May 1981, to all sea-going ships of 300 tons or over (except pleasure craft, fishing vessels, troopships not registered in the United Kingdom and ships not propelled by mechanical means), whether or not registered in a country to which a Safety of Life at Sea Convention applies, while they are within the United Kingdom or United Kingdom territorial waters.

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