MERCHANT SHIPPING NOTICE



MSN 1768 (M+F) (Corrigendum)

SHIPS' MEDICAL STORES

Application of the Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Medical Stores) Regulations 1995 (SI 1995 / 1802) and the Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Medical Stores) (Amendment) Regulations 1996 (SI 1996/2821)

Notice to Ship Owners, Agents, Masters, Skippers of Fishing Vessels and all seafarers.

This Notice should be read in conjunction with Merchant Shipping Notice MSN 1768 (M+F)

Corrigendum Summary

Since the publication of the Merchant Shipping Notice MSN 1768 (M+F), issued in August 2003 the following corrections should be noted ;

- 1. Eye Medicines Page 12 please insert an astrix (*) against each recommended eye medicine quantity listed for Category A and B, <u>excluding Antibiotic ointment</u>, to indicate that the specified quantity is considered sufficient regardless of crew size.
- 2. Recommended Additional Equipment, Page 18 The number "1" should be inserted under the column titled "Category A" against recommended additional equipment item "Stretcher equipment (A system for trauma management, i.e. immobilisation and stretcher equipment most suited for treatment on the vessel concerned)".
- **3.** Annex **4**, Page **23** Paragraph **1** should read: "When a UK registered vessel is carrying

a dangerous substance or substances, in quantities in excess of those defined in column 7 of the Dangerous Goods list of the IMDG Code , as whole or part of the cargo, the Master must ensure the correct antidote to the substance (plus the necessary ancillary equipment e.g. syringes) is carried. The correct antidote can be found in the IMO Medical First Aid Guide For Ships (MFAG) 2000 edition. Any updating of the IMO International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code or MFAG should be taken into account when preparing the list of medicines to be carried".

4. General advice about medicines, Page 26 2nd Paragraph should read : "When obtaining medicinal products, ensure that they are labelled with their strength (e.g. 125mg per tablet or 125 mg per 5 ml), and expiry date, and that they are packaged in their original manufactured packs in accordance with the UK medicines legislation".

- **5. Obtaining Controlled Drugs Page 27**, Please delete the word 'retail' from the first sentence.
- 6. Annex 8, Page 36 1st Paragraph: Please delete the word 'retail' from the first sentence.

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