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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2028 No. 0000

MERCHANT SHIPPING

The Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations 2028

Made - - - -	***
Laid before Parliament	***
Coming into force - -	***

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 302(1) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995(**a**) and with the consent of the Treasury.

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations 2028 and come into force on yy xxxx yyyy.

(2) These Regulations extend to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

"the Act" means the Merchant Shipping Act 1995;

"the Agency" means the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, an executive agency of the Department for Transport;

" xpedited service", in relation to a fee, means—

(a) a service or function performed for an applicant within 48 hours of the applicant first making contact with the Agency for the purpose of the service or function, or

(b) the provision of a priority appointment online to an applicant;

"inspection" includes audit, survey and test;

"issue" includes amendment, endorsement, reissue and renewal;

"large fishing vessel" has the same meaning as in the Fishing Vessels (Codes of Practice) Regulations 2017(**b**);

(a) 1995 c. 21.
(b) S.I. 2017/943.

"Marine Guidance Note" means a note described as such and issued by the Agency and includes a reference to any document amending or replacing that note which is considered by the Secretary of State to be relevant from time to time and is specified in a Marine Guidance Note;

"medium fishing vessel" has the same meaning as in the Fishing Vessels (Codes of Practice) Regulations 2017;

"premium service", in relation to a fee, means a service performed for an applicant attending in person at a local office or at the office where the register of British ships is kept, or attending a priority appointment online;

"priority appointment online" means an appointment with a named person employed by the Agency held online within 48 hours of the applicant first making contact with the Agency for the purpose of the service or function;

"registered length" has the same meaning as in the Fishing Vessels (Codes of Practice) Regulations 2017;

"standard hourly rate" means £180 per hour;

"vessel" has the same meaning as "ship" in the Act.

Fees payable to the Agency

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the fee payable in respect of a service or other function described in Schedule 1 is the fee—

(a) specified in that Schedule in relation to the service or function, or

(b) otherwise determined under that Schedule.

(2) The fee payable in respect of the reissue of a certificate is to be determined by reference to the time spent in doing the necessary work and calculated at the standard hourly rate.

(3) Where a fee is payable in respect of the issue of a certificate, the Agency is not required to issue the certificate until that fee has been paid.

(4) In this regulation "certificate" means any certificate or related documentation issued by the Agency under Schedule 1.

Payment for time spent travelling, cost of travel and subsistence and other expenses

4.—(1) Where a fee is determined by reference to the time spent in doing the necessary work and calculated at the standard hourly rate, the fee may also include an amount for the time spent travelling, except that travelling time in excess of—

(a) 4 hours for each visit to a ship or a person in the United Kingdom, and

(b) 10 hours in any period of 24 hours for travel from the United Kingdon to a ship or a person located abroad and back to the United Kingdom,

is to be disregarded.

(2) The reasonable cost of travel and subsistence incurred in visiting a ship or a person outside the United Kingdom is to be reimbursed to the Agency in addition to the fee payable under these Regulations.

(3) Paragraph (4) applies to expenses reasonably incurred in respect of any assistance provided to the Agency by a person not employed by it.

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(4) To the extent that the expenses referred to in paragraph (3) relate to a service or function of the Agency for which a fee is payable under these Regulations, they are to be reimbursed to the Agency in addition to that fee.

Transitional provisions

5.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), where an application for a service or other function for which a fee is payable under these Regulations is made before the day they come into force, but the service or function is provided on or after the day they come into force, the fee payable in respect of that service or function is the fee prescribed in regulations immediately before the coming into force of these Regulations.

(2) Paragraph (3) applies where—

(a) an application for a service or other function is made before the day these Regulations come into force,

(b) the fee payable in respect of that service or function is to be calculated by reference to an hourly rate, and

(c) any work to conduct that service or function is carried out on or after the day these Regulations come into force.

(3) The hourly rates prescribed under these Regulations apply for the purpose of calculating—

(a) the fee in respect of the service or other function carried out on or after the day these Regulations come into force, and

(b) any additional fee which becomes payable under Part 12 of Schedule 1 by reason of an event occurring on or after the day these Regulations come into force.

Revocation

6. In Schedule 2 the Regulations listed in the first column of the Table are revoked to the extent specified in the third column of that Table.

Consequential Amendments

7.—(1) In each of the regulations specified in paragraph (2), for "Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations 2018" substitute "Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations 2028".

(2) The regulations specified for the purposes of paragraph (1) are—

(a) regulation 2(1), in the definition of "prescribed fee", of the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships) Regulations 2008**(a)**,

(b) regulation 8(1) of the Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ships) (Safety Code for UK Categorised Waters) Regulations 2010(**b**),

(c) regulation 26(4) of the Merchant Shipping (Port State Control) Regulations 2026(**c**),

(d) regulations 15(1)(c) and 17(2) of the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution from Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk) Regulations 2018(**d**),

(e) regulations 12(2) and 13(2) of the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) Regulations 2019(**e**),

(f) regulations 14(1)(c) and 16(2)(b) of the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage from Ships) Regulations 2020**(f)**,

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(a) S.I. 2008/2924. A relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2023/384.
(**b**) S.I. 2010/680. A relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2018/1104.
(**c**) S.I. 2026
(**d**) S.I. 2018/68. A relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2018/1104.
(**e**) S.I. 2019/42.
(f) S.I. 2020/620.

(g) regulations 26(1)(c) and 34(2)(b) and (3)(b) of the Merchant Shipping (Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments) Regulations 2022(**a**),

(h) regulation 11(2)(b) of the Merchant Shipping (Small Workboats and Pilot Boats) Regulations 2023(**b**).

(3) Regulation 6 (Articles 8 and 9: Fees for surveys and certificates in respect of work done by UK Government officers) of the Ship Recycling (Requirements in relation to Hazardous Materials on Ships) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2018(**c**) is amended as follows—

(a) in the opening words of paragraph (3) for "The Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations 2018" substitute "The Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations 2028",

(b) in paragraph (3)(c), for "2(1)(a) or (c)", substitute "2(1)(a), (b) (c), (g), or (h)",

(c) in paragraph (3)(d) for "Part 14", substitute "Part 12".

Review

8.—(1)The Secretary of State must—

(a) carry out a review of the regulatory provision contained in these Regulations, and

(b) publish a report setting out the conclusions of the review.

(2) The first report must be published before 27th November 2031.

(3) The second and subsequent reports must be published at intervals not exceeding 5 years.

(4) Section 30(4) of the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015(**d**) requires that the report published under this regulation must, in particular—

(a) set out the objectives intended to be achieved by the regulatory provision referred to in paragraph (1)(a),

(b) assess the extent to which those objectives are achieved,

(c) assess whether those objectives remain appropriate, and

(d) if those objectives remain appropriate, assess the extent to which they could be achieved in another way which involves less onerous regulatory provision.

(5) In this regulation, "regulatory provision" has the same meaning as in sections 28 to 32 of the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 (see section 32 of that Act).

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 3

Fees under the Merchant Shipping Act 1995

Part 1

Surveys, Inspections and Applications for Exemption

Interpretation

1. In this Part—

(a) "annual survey" has the meaning given by…

(b) "classed" means classed with a classification society and "unclassed" means not so classed;

(**a**) S.I. 2022/737.
(**b**) S.I. 2023/1216.
(**c**) S.I. 2018/1122.
(**d**) 2015 c.26.

(c) "classification society" means a person authorised to act as a Certifying Authority for the purposes of the Merchant Shipping (Tonnage) Regulations 1997(**a**),

(d) "document of compliance" has the meaning given by regulation 2(1) of the Merchant Shipping (International Safety Management (ISM) Code) Regulations 2014(**b**);

(e) "initial survey" has the meaning given by…

(f) "Interim Safety Management Certificate" has the meaning given by regulation 2(1) of the Merchant Shipping (International Safety Management (ISM) Code) Regulations 2014;

(g) "intermediate audit" has the meaning given by regulation 2(1) of the Merchant Shipping (International Safety Management (ISM) Code) Regulations 2014;

(h) "intermediate survey" has the meaning given by…

(i) "International Fishing Vessel Certificate" means a certificate issued in respect of a fishing vessel under the Code of Practice for the Construction and Safe Operation of Fishing Vessels of 24 Metres Registered Length and Over incorporated in Merchant Shipping Notice 1873 Amendment 1(F)(**c**);

(j) "ISM company" has the meaning given by regulation 2(1) of the Merchant Shipping (International Safety Management (ISM) Code) Regulations 2014;

(k) "Merchant Shipping Notice" means a notice described as such and issued by the Agency, and includes a reference to any such document amending or replacing that notice which is considered by the Secretary of State to be relevant from time to time and is specified in a Merchant Shipping Notice;

(l) "non ro-ro" has the meaning given by…

(m) "renewal survey" has the meaning given by…

(n) "Safety Management Certificate" has the meaning given by regulation 2(1) of the Merchant Shipping (International Safety Management (ISM) Code) Regulations 2014;

(o) "the Safety Management Code for Domestic Passenger Ships" has the meaning given by regulation 2 of the Merchant Shipping (Domestic Passenger Ships) (Safety Management Code) Regulations 2001(**d**);

(p) "the statutory requirements" means requirements imposed by or under—

(i) the Act; and

(ii) the statutory instruments listed in Table 2 in this Part.

Application of Part 1

2.—(1) Subject to paragraph 3, this Part applies to—

(a) the inspection of a ship, its equipment or management, for the issue of—

(i) a certificate; or

(ii) a letter of acceptance in lieu of a certificate;

(b) the approval and appointment of a surveyor not employed by the Agency to undertake an inspection mentioned in sub-paragraph (a), the consideration of the results of the inspection and the issue of a certificate or letter of acceptance in lieu of a certificate;

(c) an application for exemption from any of the statutory requirements (and the issue of an exemption, if approved);

(**a**) S.I. 1997/1510.
(**b**) S.I. 2014/1512.
(**c**) Merchant Shipping Notice 1873 Amendment 1(F) is available at: MSN1873_Amendment_No.1.pdf (publishing.service.gov.uk) and in hard copy from the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, Spring Place, 105 Commercial Road, Southampton SO15 1EG (telephone: 020 3817 2000) and on https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/maritime-and-coastguard-agency.
(**d**) S.I. 2001/3209.

(d) an inspection under section 258(1) of the Act (powers to inspect ships and their equipment, etc.)(**a**);

(e) an inspection pursuant to the statutory requirements which results in the detention of a ship to which the Merchant Shipping (Port State Control) Regulations 2026 applies, and any subsequent inspection relating to the deficiencies which led to the detention;

(f) an inspection pursuant to the statutory requirements which results in the issue of a prohibition of departure notice issued in accordance with regulation 8 of the Merchant Shipping (Inspections of Ro-Ro Passenger Ships and High-Speed Passenger Craft) Regulations 2023**(b)** and any subsequent inspection relating to the deficiencies which led to the issue of that notice;

(g) an inspection for the purposes of an approval under regulation 9(2), or an extension of an approval under regulation 9(4), of the Merchant Shipping (Polar Code) (Safety) Regulations 2021**(c)**;

(h) an inspection for the purposes of an approval under regulation 48(2), or an extension of an approval under regulation 48(5), of the Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping) Regulations 2022(**d**);

(i) an inspection pursuant to the statutory requirements which results in the issue of an improvement notice under section 261 of the Act (**e**) or a prohibition notice under section 262 of the Act.

(2) In this paragraph and paragraph 3, "certificate" means a certificate of compliance with any of the statutory requirements.

3. Where a fee is prescribed under another Part of this Schedule in respect of an application for the issue of a certificate, that fee applies and not the fee prescribed under this Part.

Payment on Account and Time for Payment

4.—(1) A person applying in respect of a service or function mentioned in paragraph 2(1)(a), (b) (c), (g), or (h) the fee for which is determined by reference to the time spent in doing the necessary work and calculated at the standard hourly rate must, before commencement of the work, pay an amount on account of the fee calculated by reference to an estimate of the duration of the work likely to be required and the standard hourly rate.

(2) Where an amount on account of a fee has been paid in accordance with paragraph (1)—

(a) the amount is subject to review during the course of the work, and the applicant must pay any additional sum calculated by reference to any increased estimate of the work likely to be required; and

(b) at the conclusion of the work, the fee is to be recalculated by reference to the actual duration and the difference is to be paid by, or as the case may be, refunded to, the applicant.

(3) In respect of a service or function contained in Table 1 of this Part, the Agency is not required to carry out the service or function until the fee specified in that table has been paid.

Fees for surveys, inspections and applications for exemption

5. Subject to—

(a) the services or functions in respect of which fees are specified in Table 1 of this Part, and;

(b) any additional fee which may be payable under Part 12 of this Schedule,

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(**a**) Section 258(1) was amended by paragraph 4(2)(a), (b) and (c) of Schedule 1 and Part 1 of Schedule 7 to the Merchant Shipping and Maritime Security Act 1997 (c. 28).
(b) S.I. 2023/984.
(c) S.I. 2021/1401. A relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2022/1342.
(d) S.I. 2022/1342.
(**e**) Section 261 was amended by paragraph 16 of Schedule 6 to the Merchant Shipping and Maritime Security Act 1997 c.28, S.I. 1998/2241 and S.I. 1998/2647.

the fee for a service or function to which this Part applies performed by a person employed by the Agency, a person authorised by the Secretary of State or, for the purposes of paragraph 2(1)(b) a surveyor not employed by the Agency, is to be determined by reference to the time spent in doing the necessary work and calculated at the standard hourly rate.

Table 1

Table of fees for domestic services or functions to which this Part applies

Item	*Subject of fee*	*Amount of fee*
1	Survey on transfer of ownership of a medium fishing vessel or large fishing vessel registered in the United Kingdom.	£1830
2	Intermediate survey of a medium fishing vessel or large fishing vessel registered in the United Kingdom, at the mid-point of the period of validity of its certificate of compliance.	£2200
3	On renewal survey of a classed medium fishing vessel registered in the United Kingdom and any issue of a certificate of compliance.	£3480
4	On renewal survey of a classed large fishing vessel which has an International Fishing Vessel Certificate and any issue of a certificate of compliance.	£3660
5	On renewal survey of an unclassed large fishing vessel which has an International Fishing Vessel Certificate and any issue of a certificate of compliance.	£5120
6	An intermediate survey of a classed large fishing vessel which has an International Fishing Vessel Certificate and any issue of a certificate of compliance.	£2560
7	An intermediate survey of an unclassed large fishing vessel which has an International Fishing Vessel Certificate and any issue of a certificate of compliance.	£2560
8	A stand-alone survey of a medium fishing vessel, large fishing vessel or domestic passenger ship for the purpose of stability assessments.	£2200
9	A renewal survey or an annual survey and any issue of a	£2930

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	passenger ship safety certificate to a domestic passenger ship less than 24 metres in length registered in the United Kingdom.	
10	A renewal survey or an annual survey and any issue of a passenger ship safety certificate to a classed 24 metres or over in registered length non ro-ro domestic passenger ship registered in the United Kingdom.	£3660
11	A renewal survey or an annual survey and any issue of a passenger ship safety certificate to an unclassed 24 metres or over in registered length non ro-ro domestic passenger ship registered in the United Kingdom.	£4580
12	A stand-alone audit of a domestic passenger ship for the purposes of the Safety Management Code for Domestic Passenger Ships and any issue of a certificate.	£1280
13	The annual issue of a document of compliance to an ISM company.	£2750
14	The issue on renewal of a Safety Management Certificate in respect of a ship.	£2750
15	An intermediate audit of a ship and any issue of an interim Safety Management Certificate or an endorsement.	£2380
16	The completion of an initial survey or renewal survey and any issue of a Maritime Labour Certificate under regulation 6(1) of the Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention) (Survey and Certification) Regulations 2013(**a**).	£2010
17	The completion of an intermediate survey under regulation 6(2) of the Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention) (Survey and Certification) Regulations 2013 and any endorsement of a Maritime Labour Certificate.	£2010

(**a**) S.I. 2013/1785.

18	The issue of an interim Maritime Labour Certificate under regulation 8(2) of the Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention) (Survey and Certification) Regulations 2013.	£2010
19	A survey, inspection or audit (under the Annex to Marine Guidance Note 568) of a ship registered in the United Kingdom eligible under Marine Guidance Note 568 for entry into the Alternative Compliance Scheme and any issue of a certificate of inspection, or a permit, statement or document.	£2560
20	A survey, inspection or audit of selected ships belonging to eligible shipping companies under the Enhanced Authorisation Scheme in Marine Guidance Note 561 and any endorsement or issue of interim certificates or full-term certificates.	£2560

Table 2

Table of statutory instruments imposing statutory requirements

Title of instrument	***S.I. Number***	***Amending or modifying instruments***
A CREW		
The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Entry into Enclosed Spaces) Regulations 2022	2022/96	2022/1219
The Merchant Shipping (Provisions and Water) Regulations 1989	1989/102	1993/1072 2005/2114 2014/1614
The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Medical Stores) Regulations 1995	1995/1802	1996/2821
The Merchant Shipping (Minimum Standards of Safety Communications) Regulations 1997	1997/529	1999/1704 2004/1266 2006/89
The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Health and Safety at Work) Regulations 1997	1997/2962	1998/2411 2001/54

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		2014/1616 2015/21 2015/1692 2016/1026 2018/1109 2018/1202 2022/1219
The Merchant Shipping (Compulsory Insurance: Ships Receiving Trans-shipped Fish) Regulations 1998	1998/209	2015/664
The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Health and Safety at Work) (Employment of Young Persons) Regulations 1998	1998/2411	2002/2125 2002/3135 2015/21 2018/1202
The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Personal Protective Equipment) Regulations 1999	1999/2205	None
The Merchant Shipping (Vessel Traffic Monitoring and Reporting Requirements) Regulations 2004	2004/2110	2005/1092 2008/3145 2011/2616 2014/3306 2018/68
B CREW ACCOMMODATION		
The Merchant Shipping (Crew Accommodation) (Fishing Vessels) Regulations 1975	1975/2220	1998/929 2002/2201
The Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention) (Minimum requirements for Seafarers etc.) Regulations 2014	2014/1613	2018/242 2018/667
The Merchant Shipping (Work in Fishing Convention) Regulations 2018	2018/1106	2020/1166
C DANGEROUS GOODS		
The Merchant Shipping (Gas Carriers) Regulations 1994	1994/2464	2004/929 2018/1221
The Merchant Shipping (Reporting Requirements for Ships Carrying Dangerous or Polluting Goods) Regulations 1995	1995/2498	1999/2121 2001/1638 2004/2110

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		2005/1092 2008/3145 2014/3306 2018/68 2019/42
The Merchant Shipping (Dangerous Goods and Marine Pollutants) Regulations 1997	1997/2367	2004/2110 2011/2616
The Merchant Shipping (Carriage of Packaged Irradiated Nuclear Fuel etc.) (INF Code) Regulations 2000	2000/3216	None
D DIVING AND SUBMERSIBLES		
The Merchant Shipping (Submersible Craft Construction and Survey) Regulations 1981	1981/1098	1987/306
The Merchant Shipping (Submersible Craft Operations) Regulations 1987	1987/311	1987/1603
E FIRE AND LIFE-SAVING		
The Merchant Shipping (Fire Protection: Small Ships) Regulations 1998	1998/1011	1999/992 1999/1957 2000/2687 2003/2951 2004/302 2005/2114 2010/680 2010/1075 2016/1025 2018/1221 2022/1219 2022/1269 2023/568
The Merchant Shipping (Musters, Training and Decision Support Systems) Regulations 1999	1999/2722	2004/302 2005/2114 2020/501 2022/1219
The Merchant Shipping (Life-Saving Appliances for Passenger Ships of Classes III to VI(A)) Regulations 1999	1999/2723	2000/2687 2001/2642

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		2010/680 2010/1075 2016/1025 2018/1221 2022/1269
The Merchant Shipping (Life-Saving Appliances and Arrangements) Regulations 2020	2020/501	2022/1219 2023/787
The Merchant Shipping (Fire Protection) Regulations 2023	2023/568	None
The Merchant Shipping (Counting and Registration of Persons on Board Passenger Ships) Regulations 1999	1999/1869	2010/680 2010/1075 2011/1043 2019/649 2021/81 2022/1219 2023/246 2023/787
F FISHING VESSEL SAFETY		
The Merchant Shipping (Official Log Books) (Fishing Vessels) Regulations 1981	1981/570	1983/1801 1997/1511 2002/1473 2020/673
The Fishing Vessels (Safety Training) Regulations 1989	1989/126	2004/2169
The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Manual Handling Operations) Regulations 1998	1998/2857	1999/2205
The Fishing Vessels (Codes of Practice) Regulations 2017	2017/943	2018/1221
G LOAD LINES		
The Merchant Shipping (Load Line) Regulations 1998	1998/2241	2000/1335 2005/2114 2011/603 2018/155

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The Merchant Shipping (International Load Line Convention) (Amendment) Regulations 2018	2018/155	None
The Merchant Shipping (Carriage of Cargoes) Regulations 2024	2024/637	None
H RADIO AND NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT		
The Merchant Shipping (Radio) (Fishing Vessels) Rules 1974	1974/1919	1982/1292 1994/1104 1999/3210
The Merchant Shipping (Distress Signals and Prevention of Collisions) Regulations 1996	1996/75	2004/302 2015/664
The Merchant Shipping (Radio Installations) Regulations 1998	1998/2070	1999/1957 2000/2687 2001/1638 2004/302 2005/2114 2016/1025 2018/1221 2021/1316 2022/1219 2023/246 2023/1216
The Merchant Shipping (Radio) (Fishing Vessels) Regulations 1999	1999/3210	2002/2201 2016/1025
The Merchant Shipping (EPIRB Registration) Regulations 2000	2000/1850	None
The Merchant Shipping (Safety of Navigation) Regulations 2020	2020/673	2022/1219 2023/1216
I CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT		
The Merchant Shipping (Emergency Equipment Lockers for Ro/Ro Passenger Ships) Regulations 1988	1988/2272	None
The Merchant Shipping (Emergency Information for Passengers) Regulations 1990	1990/660	2010/680 2010/1075

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The Merchant Shipping (Cargo Ship Construction) Regulations 1997	1997/1509	1999/643 2004/302 2004/2151 2005/2114 2018/1221 2022/1219 2023/246
The Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ship Construction: Ships of Classes I, II and II(A)) Regulations 1998	1998/2514	2000/2687 2001/1638 2002/1650 2004/302 2004/2884 2018/1221 2022/1219 2023/246
The Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ship Construction: Ships of Classes III to VI(A)) Regulations 1998	1998/2515	2000/2687 2001/1638 2002/1650 2004/302 2010/680 2010/1075 2018/1221 2022/1219 2022/1269
The Merchant Shipping (Vessels in Commercial Use for Sport or Pleasure) Regulations 1998	1998/2771	2000/482 2002/1473 2005/2114 2013/1785 2014/1614 2015/782 2016/353 2018/242 2018/1221 2020/501 2020/673 2021/1316

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		2022/1342 2023/246 2023/568
The Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ships on Domestic Voyages) Regulations 2000	2000/2687	2002/1473 2003/771 2004/302 2004/1107 2004/2883 2010/680 2010/1075 2012/2636 2018/53 2018/1221 2020/501 2020/1222 2020/673 2022/1219 2021/1316 2022/1342 2023/568 2023/984
The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Safety Signs and Signals) Regulations 2001	2001/3444	2015/21 2018/1202
The Merchant Shipping (Ro-Ro Passenger Ships) (Stability) Regulations 2004	2004/2884	2018/1221 2023/984
The Merchant Shipping (Bridge Visibility) (Small Passenger Ships) Regulations 2005	2005/2286	2010/680 2010/1075 2020/673
The Merchant Shipping (Marine Equipment) Regulations 2016	2016/1025	2023/568
The Merchant Shipping (Nuclear Ships) Regulations 2022	2022/1169	2023/246
The Merchant Shipping (High Speed Offshore Support Craft) Regulations 2022	2022/41	2022/1219

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The Merchant Shipping (Additional Safety Measures for Bulk Carriers) Regulations 2022	2022/1218	None
The Merchant Shipping (High Speed Craft) Regulations 2022	2022/1219	2023/1216
The Merchant Shipping (Cargo and Passenger Ship Construction and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023	2023/246	None
The Merchant Shipping (Small Workboats and Pilot Boats) Regulations 2023	2023/1216	None
The Merchant Shipping (Special Measures to Enhance Maritime Safety) Regulations 2024	2024/280	None
J PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF POLLUTION		
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) Order 1983	1983/1106	1985/2002 1991/2885 1993/1580 2015/664
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Order 1987	1987/470	1990/2595 1997/2569 1998/254 2015/664
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Order 1990	1990/2595	None
The Merchant Shipping (Reporting Requirements for Ships Carrying Dangerous or Polluting Goods) Regulations 1995	1995/2498	1999/2121 2001/1638 2004/2110 2005/1092 2008/3145 2014/3306 2018/68 2019/42
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution) (Law of the Sea Convention) Order 1996	1996/282	2015/664
The Merchant Shipping (Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Co-operation Convention) Regulations 1998	1998/1056	2001/1639 2007/3224 2009/229

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		2014/3306 2015/386 2016/922 2023/424
The Merchant Shipping (Control of Pollution) (SOLAS) Order 1998	1998/1500	None
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships) Regulations 2008	2008/2924	2010/895 2010/3035 2011/3056 2014/3306 2014/3076 2016/1025 2018/1104 2019/311 2019/940 2021/1108 2023/384
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution from Noxious Liquid Substances in Bulk) Regulations 2018	2018/68	None
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) Regulations 2019	2019/42	2022/1234
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage from Ships) Regulations 2020	2020/620	2022/1234
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Garbage from Ships) Regulations 2020	2020/621	2024/570
The Merchant Shipping (Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments) Regulations 2022	2022/737	None
The Merchant Shipping (Anti-Fouling Systems) Regulations 2024	2024/509	2014/3306 2018/1104
K MANNING AND CERTIFICATION		
The Fishing Vessels (Certification of Deck Officers and Engineer Officers) Regulations 1984	1984/1115	1995/1428 1998/1013
The Merchant Shipping (Working Time: Inland Waterways) Regulations 2003	2003/3049	2006/3223 2009/3348

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		2013/1956 2014/386 2014/431 2017/1149 2020/4
The Fishing Vessels (Working Time: Sea-fishermen) Regulations 2004	2004/1713	2009/3348 2013/1956 2014/386 2014/431 2018/1109 2020/4
The Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping) Regulations 2022	2022/1342	None
L SURVEY AND CERTIFICATION		
The Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention) (Survey and Certification) Regulations 2013	2013/1785	2014/1614 2018/667 2018/242 2019/716 2022/1219 2022/1342
The Merchant Shipping (Survey and Certification) Regulations 2015	2015/508	2018/53 2018/1221 2022/41 2022/1169 2022/1219 2024/280
The Merchant Shipping (Work in Fishing Convention) (Survey and Certification) Regulations 2018	2018/1107	2020/1106
The Merchant Shipping (Polar Code) (Safety) Regulations 2021	2021/1401	2022/1342
The Merchant Shipping (Inspections of Ro-Ro Passenger Ships and High-Speed Passenger Craft) Regulations 2023	2023/984	None
M TONNAGE MEASUREMENT		

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The Merchant Shipping (Tonnage) Regulations 1997	1997/1510	1998/1916 1999/3206 2005/2114 2020/362 2023/246
N SAFETY MANAGEMENT		
The Merchant Shipping (Domestic Passenger Ships) (Safety Management Code) Regulations 2001	2001/3209	2004/302 2010/680 2010/1075 2014/1512 2022/1219
The Merchant Shipping (Passenger Ships) (Safety Code for UK Categorised Waters) Regulations 2010	2010/680	2010/1075 2011/3056 2018/1104 2020/673 2022/1219
The Merchant Shipping (International Safety Management (ISM) Code) Regulations 2014	2014/1512	2018/1221 2022/1219
O STRATEGIC SHIPS		
The Merchant Shipping (Officer Nationality) Regulations 1995	1995/1427	None
P PORT FACILITIES		
The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Port Waste Reception Facilities) Regulations 2003	2003/1809	2009/1176 2016/1211 2018/68 2018/1221
Q REGISTRATION		
The Merchant Shipping (Registration of Ships) Regulations 1993	1993/3138	1994/541 1998/1915 1998/2976 1999/3206 2011/1043 2012/1809

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		2017/879 2018/1221 2018/1299 2019/509 2019/746 2022/203 2022/241 2022/748
R WATERCRAFT		
The Merchant Shipping (Watercraft) Order 2023	S.I. 2023/35	None

Part 2

Certificates and Examinations for Officers

Interpretation

1. In the Table of fees in this Part, references to a certificate, endorsement or examination are to a certificate or endorsement under—

(a) the Fishing Vessels (Certification of Deck Officers and Engineer Officers) Regulations 1984(**a**),

(b) the Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping) Regulations 2022,(**b**) or

(c) the Merchant Shipping (Polar Code) (Safety) Regulations 2021(**c**),

and to an examination for any such certificate or endorsement.

Cancellation of application

2. Where an applicant cancels an application for an examination in relation to item 1 in the Table after the prescribed fee has been paid, a refund must be made of—

(a) £300 in the case of cancellation before an initial assessment of eligibility has been completed,

(b) £180 in the case of cancellation after a notice of eligibility has been issued but an oral examination has not yet been taken,

(c) £20 in the case of cancellation after a notice of eligibility has been issued and an oral examination has been taken.

Table of fees

Item	***Subject of fee***	***Amount of fee***
1	The assessment of an application for a certificate of	£370

(**a**) S.I. 1984/1115.
(**b**) S.I. 2022/1342.
(**c**) S.I. 2021/1401.

	competency that requires a Part A examination, the Part B practical oral part of the examination, and the issue of a certificate once the qualifying conditions are met.	
2	Part A examination in relation to item 1 on the online technical assessment platform.	£90
3	The resitting for the first time of an examination in relation to item 1 including the issuance of a notice of eligibility to resit the examination.	£350
4	Subsequent resits of an examination in relation to item 1.	£90
5	The assessment of an application for a certificate of competency that does not require a Part A examination, the Part B practical oral part of the examination, and the issue of a certificate once the qualifying conditions are met.	£370
6	The resitting of an examination in relation to item 5 including the issuance of a notice of eligibility to resit the examination.	£350
7	The replacement of a lost or damaged certificate.	£120
8	An application for a certificate of competency not requiring the Part B practical oral part of the examination.	£140
9	The addition or removal of, or amendment to, an endorsement or tanker endorsement.	£140
10	A revalidation of a certificate of competency.	£120
11	An application for a certificate of proficiency.	£120
12	A revalidation of a certificate of proficiency.	£120

Premium Service

3.Where a person requests and receives premium service for item 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 in the Table of fees in this Part, a fee of £200 is payable in addition to the sum of the fees paid on the same occasion.

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Part 3

Flag State Endorsements also known as Certificates of Equivalent Competency

Interpretation

1. In the Table of fees in this Part—

(a) references to a certificate, endorsement or examination are to a certificate of equivalent competency or endorsement under—

(i) the Fishing Vessels (Certification of Deck Officers and Engineer Officers) Regulations 1984, or

(ii) the Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping) Regulations 2022,

and to an examination for any such certificate or endorsement,

(b) "UKLAP" means United Kingdom legal and administrative processes.

Withdrawal or rejection of application

2. Where an application in relation to item 3 in the Table of fees in this Part is withdrawn or rejected after the prescribed fee has been paid, on the grounds that the applicant does not meet the preliminary criteria for detailed assessment, £50 must be refunded.

Table of fees

Item	*Subject of fee*	*Amount of fee*
1	Interim application for assessment for a flag state endorsement or a certificate of equivalent competency in case of emergency.	£110
2	Reissue of confirmation of receipt of application for a flag state endorsement or a certificate of equivalent competency.	£110
3	An application for consideration of a person's qualifications for issue of a flag state endorsement or a certificate of equivalent competency, including the issue thereof and revalidation upon expiry of certificate of competency.	£160
4	The issue of a subsequent temporary flag state endorsement or certificate of equivalent competency.	£160
5	Issue of confirmation of receipt of application for a flag state endorsement or a certificate of equivalent competency.	£170
6	An oral examination for competency for United States	£200

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	Coastguard Certificate of Competency holders to be assessed for issuance of a flag state endorsement or a certificate of equivalent competency.	
7	An oral examination to assess both a candidate's standard of English and knowledge of UKLAP.	£250
8	An oral examination to assess either (but not both) a candidate's—	
	(a) standard of English; or	£130
	(b) knowledge of UKLAP.	£180
9	The addition or removal of, or amendment to, an endorsement or tanker endorsement including where submitted with another flag state endorsement or certificate of equivalent competency application.	£110

Part 4

Table of miscellaneous qualifications

Table of fees

Item	*Subject of fee*	*Amount of fee*
1	An application for a licence as a marine engine operator or senior marine engine operator including examination.	£370
2	An application for a certificate of qualification as an efficient deck hand or able seafarer deck.	£70
3	An examination by an approved medical practitioner for a medical fitness certificate under the Merchant Shipping (Maritime Labour Convention) (Medical Certification) Regulations 2010**(a)** or the Merchant Shipping (Work in Fishing Convention) (Medical Certification) Regulations 2018(**b**).	£180

(**a**) S.I. 2010/737.
(**b**) S.I. 2018/1108.

4	An application for a vessel traffic services certification logbook in accordance with Marine Guidance Note 434(**a**).	£120
5	An application for a yacht rating certificate or watch rating certificate.	£120
6	An examination for a certificate of competency as compass adjuster in accordance with Marine Guidance Note 279(**b**).	£370
7	The issue of a certificate of competency as a ship's cook in accordance with Merchant Shipping Notice 1846(**c**).	£180

Part 5

Boatmasters' Licences and Certificates

Interpretation

In this Part—

(a) "boatmaster's licence" and related expressions have the meaning given in regulation 4(1) of the Merchant Shipping (Boatmasters' Qualifications, Crew and Hours of Work) Regulations 2015(**d**);

(b) "relevant local knowledge endorsement" has the meaning given in regulation 6(1) of the Merchant Shipping (Boatmasters' Qualifications, Crew and Hours of Work) Regulations 2015; and

(c) "specialist endorsement" means an endorsement other than a relevant local knowledge endorsement.

Table of fees

Item	*Subject of fee*	*Amount of fee*
1	The combined practical and oral assessment for the boatmaster's licence, taken on the same occasion.	£360
2	The practical test part of the assessment for the boatmaster's licence.	£180
3	The oral test part of the assessment for the boatmaster's licence.	£180

(**a**) Marine Guidance Note 434 is available at: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/mgn-434-mf-amendment-2-navigation-vessel-traffic-services-vts-training-and-certification-of-vts-personnel/mgn-434-mf-amendment-2-navigation-vessel-traffic-services-vts-training-and-certification-of-vts-personnel

(**b**) Marine Guidance Note 279 is available at: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/5a7cd66be5274a2c9a4846a2/mgn279.pdf

(**c**) Merchant Shipping Notice 1846 is available at: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/msn-1846-m-mlc-2006-food-and-catering-ships-cooks-and-catering-staff/msn-1846-m-amendment-1-maritime-labour-convention-2006-food-and-catering-ships-cooks-and-catering-staff

(**d**) S.I. 2015/410. A relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2019/808.

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4	The issue of a boatmaster's licence.	£130
5	The revalidation of a boatmaster's licence.	£60
6	The upgrading of a boatmaster's licence of any tier or level.	£60
7	The inclusion of— (a) an additional operation; or (b) an additional operational area on a tier 2 boatmaster's licence.	£110
8	The replacement of a lost boatmaster's licence except where the loss occurred through no fault of the holder.	£50
9	An assessment for a specialist endorsement or relevant local knowledge endorsement on a boatmaster's licence—	
	(a) if taken with a generic licence assessment;	£180
	(b) if taken separately.	£270

Part 6

Safe Manning Documents

In this Part, references to "a safe manning document" are to the documents referred to in regulation 55 of the Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping) Regulations 2022.

Table of fees

Item	*Subject of fee*	*Amount of fee*
1	An application for a safe manning document.	£290
2	An application for an amendment to a safe manning document.	£210
3	The issue of a safe manning document for a sister ship where the manning requirements are identical to the ship which has previously been issued a safe manning document.	£180

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Part 7

Applications for Exemptions

Table of fees

Item	*Subject of fee*	*Amount of fee*
1	An application for an exemption from the requirements of any of the statutory instruments mentioned in Section K of Table 2 in Part 1 of this Schedule—	
	(a) involving one ship or person only,	£260
	(b) involving more than one ship or person.	£260, plus £90 for each further person or ship included in the initial exemption or added later.

Part 8

Registration, Transfer and Mortgage of Ships (including Fishing Vessels) and Related Matters

Interpretation

1.—(1) In this Part, "ship" or "fishing vessel" includes a ship or vessel registered under section 17 of the Act (ships bareboat chartered-in by British charterers).

(2) In this Part references to Parts I, II, III or IV ships or vessels or any related expression are to be interpreted in accordance with regulation 2(1) of the Merchant Shipping (Registration of Ships) Regulations 1993(**a**).

Calculation of fees

2.—(1) The fees prescribed in the Table of fees in this paragraph are subject to sub-paragraphs (2) and (3).

(2) Where a person requests and receives an expedited service, the fee prescribed in column (4) is payable in addition to the fee prescribed in column (3) or, where more than one fee is prescribed in respect of one transaction, in addition to the aggregate of those fees.

(3) Where an application for a service or function to which this Part applies is cancelled after the prescribed fee has been paid—

(a) no refund will be made in the case of cancellation after an official document has been issued,

(b) a refund of 50% of the prescribed fee will be made in the case of cancellation before an official document has been issued.

Table of fees

Item	*Subject of fee*	*Amount of fee*	*Expedited service fee*
1	The registration of a ship or fishing vessel, including	£280	£280

(**a**) S.I. 1993/3138.

	registration of a ship or fishing vessel whose registration has expired (Parts I, II and IV ships or vessels only).		
2	The registration of transfer of ownership of a registered ship or fishing vessel (Parts I and II ships or vessels only).	£150	£150
3	The renewal of a registration under regulation 42 of the Merchant Shipping (Registration of Ships) Regulations 1993 (Parts I, II and IV ships or vessels only)(**a**).	£90	£90
4	The issue of a certificate of permission (Part I ships only) following suspension from the register in respect of a bareboat charter-out ship.	£220	£220
5	The renewal of a certificate of permission (Part I ships only) following suspension from the register in respect of a bareboat charter-out ship.	£100	£100
6	The amendment of a certificate of permission to amend the names of owners of a ship (Part I ships only) in respect of a bareboat charter-out ship.	£150	£150
7	The amendment of a certificate of permission to amend any entry other than the names of owners of a ship (Part I ships only) in respect of a bareboat charter-out ship.	£90	£90
8	The registration of a mortgage (Parts I and II ships or vessels only).	£150	£150
9	The registration of a notice of intended mortgage (Parts I and II ships or vessels only).	£60	£60
10	The issue of a duplicate certificate (Parts I, II and IV ships or vessels only).	£60	£60
11	The issue of a transcript of entries in the register relating to any one ship fishing or vessel (Parts I, II, III and IV ships or vessels)—		
	(a) for current entries;	£60	£60

(**a**) Relevant amending instruments are S.I.s 1999/3206 and 2019/509.

	(b) for other entries.	£70	£70
12	Personal inspection of the register (per hour or part of an hour) (Parts I, II, III and IV ships or vessels).	£20	£20
13	The registration of a change of name of a ship or fishing vessel (Parts I, II and IV ships or vessels only).	£90	£90
14	The registration of a change of the port of choice and for fishing vessels the port number (Parts I, II and IV ships or vessels only).	£90	£90
15	The registration of a change of measurement, tonnage or engine particulars recorded in the register (Parts I, II and IV ships or vessels only).	£90	£90
16	Transfer to a port in a British possession (Part I ships only).	£90	£90
17	Transfer from a port in a British possession (Part I ships only).	£200	£200
18	An application to the Registrar for provisional registration of a ship or fishing vessel (Parts I and II ships or vessels only).	£260	£260
19	The registration of a ship or fishing vessel following provisional registration by the Registrar. (Parts I and II ships or vessels only).	£110	£110
20	The issue of a certificate of registration or renewal of a certificate for a small ship or an amended certificate or duplicate copy of the certificate (Part III ships only).	£60	£60
21	The registration of the transferee in the case of the transfer of a registered mortgage (Parts I and II ships or vessels only).	£70	£70
22	The renewal or further renewal of a notification of an intended interest under a proposed mortgage (Parts I and II ships or vessels only).	£60	£60
23	The making of an entry in the register to the effect that the mortgage has been	£70	£70

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	discharged (Parts I and II ships or vessels only).		
24	The recording on the register of a change in the registered particulars of a ship other than a pleasure vessel or a fishing vessel which subsequently has become a pleasure vessel or a fishing vessel (Parts I, II and III ships or vessels).	£50	£50
25	The reservation of a ship's name or designation (Parts I, II and IV ships or vessels only).	£100	£100
26	The closure of a ship or fishing vessel's registration before the vessel registration expiry date (Parts I, II, III and IV ships or vessels).	£40	£40
27	An application for re-registration following closure of the registration (Parts I, II and IV ships or vessels only).	£90	£90
28	The issue of a letter communicating the closure of a bareboat charter ship's registration by the Registrar.	£40	£40
29	The issue of a Continuous Synopsis Record or a replacement Continuous Synopsis Record in respect of a ship to which Regulation 9 of the Merchant Shipping (Special Measures to Enhance Maritime Safety) Regulations 2024(**a**) applies.	£50	£50
30	Issuing an official letter which— (a) confirms information contained in official ship or fishing vessel documents; or (b) confirms that ship or fishing vessel registration will take place upon receipt of the correct documents, (Parts I, II, III and IV ships or vessels).	£50	£50

(**a**) S.I. 2024/280.

Part 9

Copies of, and extracts from, documents and applications requiring additional time

1.—(1) In this Part, "copy" means a certified copy of—

(a) a declaration or other document, a copy of which is made evidence by virtue of the Act, or

(b) an extract from a document declared by the Act to be admissible in evidence.

(2) In this Part "a fixed fee service" means a function or service in relation to which a fee is not calculated by reference to the time spent in doing the necessary work and the standard hourly rate.

2. The fee for a copy of a document is £30 for each hour or part of an hour required for copying.

3. Where a person requests and receives expedited service, a fee of £30 is payable in addition to the aggregate of the fees for copying done on the same occasion.

4. Where an application made under the Act in relation to a fixed fee service—

(a) contains incomplete or insufficient information or paperwork, and

(b) this results in additional time being spent obtaining further information or paperwork beyond the standard and expected processing time for the application,

a fee of £120 may be charged for each hour or part of an hour required for obtaining such information or paperwork.

Part 10

Seamen's documents

Interpretation

1. In this Part, references to a British Seaman's Card or to a discharge book are references to the documents of those names issued pursuant to the Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Documents) Regulations 1987(**a**).

Fees for issue of documents

2. Subject to paragraph 3, the fee for the issue, or replacement, of a British Seaman's Card or discharge book is £120.

Lost documents, etc.

3. No fee is payable in respect of a replacement British Seaman's Card or discharge book where the document has been lost, destroyed or defaced through no fault of the holder.

Part 11

Compulsory Insurance Certificates

1. In this Part—

(a) "the Bunkers Convention" means the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage 2001(**b**);

(**a**) S.I. 1987/408. Relevant amending instruments are S.I.s 1999/3281 and 2023/365.
(**b**) The text of the Convention can be found at the following web site: International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001: London, 23 March 2001 CM 8489 (publishing.service.gov.uk)

(b) "the Liability Convention" means the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage 1992(**a**).

2. The fee payable on an application for the issue of a certificate under section 164(1) of the Act (which relates to Article 7 of the Liability Convention and certificates of compulsory insurance against liability for oil pollution)(**b**) is £60.

3. The fee payable on an application for the issue of a certificate under section 164(1A) or (2A) of the Act (which relates to Article 7 of the Bunkers Convention and certificates of compulsory insurance against liability for pollution from bunker oil)(**c**) is £60.

4. The fee payable on an application for the issue of a certificate under regulation 7(1) of the Merchant Shipping (Carriage of Passengers by Sea) Regulations 2012(**d**) (which relates to the Protocol of 2002 to the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974)(**e**) is £60.

5. The fee payable on an application for the issue of a certificate under section 255N of the Act(**f**) (which relates to wreck removal insurance satisfying the requirements of the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks 2007)(**g**) is £60.

Part 12

Additional Charges (Waiting Time, Abortive Visits and Attendance at Unusual Hours)

Interpretation

1. In this Part—

(a) "bank holiday" means any day to be observed as such under section 1 of, and Schedule 1 to, the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971(**h**);

(b) "UK bank holiday" means any day to be observed as such under section 1 of, and Schedule 1 to, the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971 in England and Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland.

Application

2.—(1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), where an inspection is delayed or is disrupted during its course, or a visit to carry out an inspection is abortive, a fee calculated at the standard hourly rate for the delay caused or time wasted is chargeable.

(2) The fee mentioned in sub-paragraph (1) is not chargeable where—

(a) the delay or time wasted is less than one hour in total or is due to circumstances over which the applicant has no control; or

(b) the person carrying out the inspection is reasonably able to perform other work in the vicinity for which a fee has been paid.

(**a**) The text of the Convention can be found at the following web site: 1992-CLC.pdf (nus.edu.sg)
(**b**) Section 164(1) was amended by regulation 18(2) of S.I. 2006/1244.
(**c**) Section 164(1A) was amended by regulation 18(3) of S.I. 2006/1244 and article 2(a) of S.I. 2016/1061. Section 164(2A) was amended by article 2(b) of S.I. 2016/1061.
(**d**) S.I. 2012/3152.
(**e**) The text of the Convention can be found at the following web site: Protocol of 2002 to the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea, 1974 CM 8760 (publishing.service.gov.uk)
(**f**) Section 255N was inserted by section 1(2) of the Wreck Removal Convention Act 2011 c.8.
(**g**) The text of the Convention is set out in Schedule 11ZA to the Merchant Shipping Act 1995, which was inserted by Schedule 1 to the Wreck Removal Convention Act 2011.
(**h**) 1971 c.80.

3.—(1) Where any part of an inspection is carried out during the periods described in sub-paragraph (2), an additional fee of £100 per hour is chargeable for that part, unless an additional fee is chargeable under paragraphs 4 or 5.

(2) The periods mentioned in sub-paragraph (1) are—

(a) on a day other than a Saturday or Sunday, between midnight and 8 a.m, and between 6 p.m. and midnight, and

(b) at any time on Saturday.

4. Where any part of an inspection is carried out in Scotland at any time on a Sunday or a Bank Holiday, an additional fee calculated at the standard hourly rate is chargeable for that part.

5. Where any part of an inspection is carried out in England and Wales or in Northern Ireland at any time on a Sunday or a Bank Holiday, or on Good Friday or Christmas Day, an additional fee calculated at the standard hourly rate is chargeable for that part.

6.Where any part of an inspection is carried out outside of the United Kingdom at any time on a Sunday or a UK Bank Holiday, an additional fee calculated at the standard hourly rate is chargeable for that part.

Part 13

Waste Management

1. The fee for the Secretary of State's consideration and, if appropriate, approval or re-approval of a waste management plan prepared and submitted by a harbour authority or terminal operator in respect of a harbour or terminal pursuant, as the case may be, to regulation 6(1) or (2) or 8(1) of the Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Port Waste Reception Facilities) Regulations 2003(**a**) ("the Regulations") is charged at the standard hourly rate.

2. The fee for the preparation by the Secretary of State of a waste management plan in respect of a harbour or terminal pursuant to regulation 9 of the Regulations is charged at the standard hourly rate.

3. The fee for the issue by the Secretary of State of an exemption in respect of a harbour authority or terminal operator pursuant to regulation 15(1) and (2) of the Regulations, or in respect of a ship pursuant to regulation 15(3) of the Regulations, is £180.

Part 14

Strategic Ships

1. The fee for the issue by the Secretary of State of an exemption, pursuant to section 48 of the Act (power to exempt from manning requirements), from the requirements in regulation 3 of the Merchant Shipping (Officer Nationality) Regulations 1995(**b**) relating to a strategic ship is £360.

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 6

Regulations Revoked

Regulations revoked	*References*	*Extent of revocation*
The Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations 2018	S.I. 2018/1104	The whole Regulations

(**a**) S.I. 2003/1809.
(**b**) S.I. 1995/1427.

The Merchant Shipping (Work in Fishing Convention) (Consequential Provisions) Regulations 2018	S.I. 2018/1109	Regulation 9
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) Regulations 2019	S.I. 2019/42	Paragraph 8 of Part 1 of the Schedule
The Merchant Shipping (Registration of Ships) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019	S.I. 2019/509	Regulation 33
The Merchant Shipping (Inland Waterways) (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019	S.I. 2019/808	Regulation 4
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2019	S.I. 2019/940	Regulation 4
The Merchant Shipping (Life-Saving Appliances and Arrangements) Regulations 2020	S.I. 2020/501	Paragraphs 18 and 19 of Part 1 of Schedule 1
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage from Ships) Regulations 2020	S.I. 2020/620	Paragraph 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 1
The Merchant Shipping (Safety of Navigation) Regulations 2020	S.I. 2020/673	Paragraphs 18 and 19 of Part 1 of the Schedule
The Merchant Shipping (Radiocommunications) (Amendment) Regulations 2021	S.I. 2021/1316	Paragraphs 20 and 21 of Part 2 of Schedule 1
The Merchant Shipping (Polar Code) (Safety) Regulations 2021	S.I. 2021/1401	Regulation 11
The Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Entry into Enclosed Spaces) Regulations 2022	S.I. 2022/96	Regulation 13
The Merchant Shipping (Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments) Regulations 2022	S.I. 2022/737	Regulation 50
The Merchant Shipping (Nuclear Ships) Regulations 2022	S.I. 2022/1169	Paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Schedule
The Merchant Shipping (Additional Safety Measures for Bulk Carriers) Regulations 2022	S.I. 2022/1218	Regulation 3(3) and (4)
The Merchant Shipping (High Speed Craft) Regulations 2022	S.I. 2022/1219	Paragraphs 22 and 23 of Part 1 of the Schedule

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The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution and Prevention of Pollution by Sewage from Ships) (Amendment) Regulations 2022	S.I. 2022/1234	Regulation 4
The Merchant Shipping (Safety Standards for Passenger Ships on Domestic Voyages) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2022	S.I. 2022/1269	Regulation 5
The Merchant Shipping (Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping) Regulations 2022	S.I. 2022/1342	Paragraphs 10 and 11 of Part 1 of Schedule 1
The Merchant Shipping (Cargo and Passenger Ship Construction and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023	S.I. 2023/246	Paragraph 13 of Part 3 of the Schedule
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships) (Amendment) Regulations 2023	S.I. 2023/384	Regulation 3
The Merchant Shipping (Fire Protection) Regulations 2023	S.I. 2023/568	Paragraphs 16 and 17 of Part 1 of Schedule 1
The Merchant Shipping (Counting and Registration of Persons on Board Passenger Ships) (Amendment) Regulations 2023	S.I. 2023/787	Regulation 5
The Merchant Shipping (Inspections of Ro-Ro Passenger Ships and High-Speed Passenger Craft) Regulations 2023	S.I. 2023/984	Paragraph 4 of Schedule 5
The Merchant Shipping (Small Workboats and Pilot Boats) Regulations 2023	S.I. 2023/1216	Paragraph 3 of Schedule 2
The Merchant Shipping (Special Measures to Enhance Maritime Safety) Regulations 2024	S.I. 2024/280	Paragraphs 3 and 4 of Schedule 1
The Merchant Shipping (Anti-Fouling Systems) Regulations 2024	S.I. 2024/509	Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 1
The Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Garbage from Ships) (Amendment) Regulations 2024	S.I. 2024/570	Regulation 3

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

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Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Date Department for Transport

We consent to the making of these Regulations

Date Two of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations set out the fees to be paid for various functions and services carried out by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency. Fees are either of a prescribed amount or are calculated by reference to the time required to do the necessary work and the standard hourly rate.

The Regulations largely replace the Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations 2018. For fees calculated by reference to the amount of work involved, the standard hourly rate is increased from £147 to £180 for work carried out after the coming into force of these Regulations. Other, fixed, fees set out in the 2018 Regulations have, in the main, been increased. New fixed fees have been added, particularly in Part 1 of Schedule 1.

Regulation 2 contains definitions. Certain fees attract an additional charge for "expedited service", where a service or function is performed within 48 hours.

Regulations 3 and 4 provide for the fees specified in, or ascertained under, Schedule 1 to be paid for the specified services, and for the Maritime and Coastguard Agency to recover travel and other expenses associated with providing those services.

Part 1 of Schedule 1 prescribes fees relating to the survey and inspection of ships and their equipment. Parts 2 to 15 of Schedule 1 prescribe fees in relation to—

the examination of, and issuing of certificates of competence etc. to, seafarers,

certificates of equivalent competency for non-United Kingdom seafarers,

miscellaneous qualifications,

boatmasters' licenses and certificates,

safe manning documents,

applications for exemptions,

the registration, transfer and mortgage of ships and fishing vessels,

the issuing of copies of, and extracts from, documents,

the issuing of seamen's documents,

compulsory insurance certificates,

waiting time, abortive visits and attendance at unusual hours,

waste management plans,

exemptions for strategic ships, and

the issue of an official log book.

Regulation 5 contains transitional provisions, and regulation 6 provides for the revocation of the 2018 Regulations and other Regulations, which are listed in Schedule 2. Regulation 7 makes amendments so that references to the 2018 Regulations in other Regulations are made references to these Regulations.

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Regulation 8 requires the Secretary of State to review the operation and effect of these Regulations and publish a report within five years after they come into force. Subsequent reports must be published at least every 5 years.

A full regulatory impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business, the voluntary sector and the public sector has been produced. Copies may be obtained from the Department for Transport, Great Minster House, 33 Horseferry Road, London, SW1P 4DR. Alternatively, copies can be obtained from the Department for Transport's website, which is at www.gov.uk. It is also published with the Explanatory Memorandum alongside the instrument on www.legislation.gov.uk.

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