



MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT 1985

MERCHANT SHIPPING (EMERGENCY TOWING ARRANGEMENTS) (TANKERS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1998

Coming into operation : 1st March 1998

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Department of Trade and Industry by sections 1 and 2 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1985 ^(a), and of all other enabling powers, after consultation with the Secretary of State and those persons referred to in section 2(2) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1985, the following Regulations are hereby made:-

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Emergency Towing Arrangements) (Tankers) (Amendment) Regulations 1998 and shall come into operation on 1st March 1998.

Amendment of S.D. 132/97

2. In regulation 3(1) of the Merchant Shipping (Emergency Towing Arrangements) (Tankers) Regulations 1997 ^(b), for "50,000 tonnes deadweight, constructed on or after 1st January 1996" substitute "20,000 tonnes deadweight".

Made 26th February, 1998

Minister for Trade and Industry.

(a) 1985 c. 3. Functions transferred by the Transfer of Functions (Marine Administration) Order 1997 (S.D. 51/97)

(b) S.D. 132/97

Price : 30 p.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations correct an error in regulation 3 of the Merchant Shipping (Emergency Towing Arrangements) (Tankers) Regulations 1997. The correction specifies that the requirement for the provision of emergency towing arrangements is applicable to all tankers of 20,000 tonnes deadweight. This reflects the threshold specified in IMO Resolution MSC 35(63).