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MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT 1995

MERCHANT SHIPPING (LOAD LINE) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2023

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 100 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995, the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore, with the approval of the Minister for Transport, makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Merchant Shipping (Load Line) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 and come into operation on 1 January 2024.

Amendment of regulation 22 of Annex I

2. In the Merchant Shipping (Load Line) Regulations (Rg 5), in Annex I, in regulation 22(1), replace sub-paragraph (g) with —

“(g) Table 22.1 provides the acceptable arrangements of scuppers and discharges.”.

Amendment of regulation 27 of Annex I

3. In the Merchant Shipping (Load Line) Regulations, in Annex I, in regulation 27(13), replace sub-paragraph (a) with —

“(a) The final waterline after flooding, taking into account sinkage, heel and trim, is below the lower edge of any opening through which progressive downflooding may take place. Such openings shall include air pipes, ventilators (even if they comply with regulation 19(4)) and openings which are closed by means of weathertight doors (even if they comply with regulation 12) or hatch covers (even if they comply with regulation 16(1) through (5)), and may exclude those openings closed by means of manhole covers and flush scuttles (which comply with regulation 18), cargo hatch covers of the type described in

regulation 27(2), remotely operated sliding watertight doors, hinged watertight access doors with open/closed indication locally and at the navigation bridge, of the quick-acting or single-action type that are normally closed at sea, hinged watertight doors that are permanently closed at sea, and sidescuttles of the non-opening type (which comply with regulation 23). In the case of doors separating a main machinery space from a steering gear compartment, watertight doors may be of a hinged, quick-acting type kept closed at sea whilst not in use, provided also that the lower sill of such doors is above the summer load waterline.”.

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S 330/2010; S 834/2013; S 430/2014; S 865/2014;
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