

Regulation 4*Radiotelephone Installation*

Cargo ships of 500 tons gross tonnage and upwards but less than 1,600 tons gross tonnage, unless fitted with a radiotelegraph installation complying with the provisions of Regulations 9 and 10, shall, provided they are not exempted under Regulation 6, be fitted with a radiotelephone installation complying with the provisions of Regulation 15.

Regulation 5*Exemptions from Regulation 3*

(a) The Contracting Governments consider it highly desirable not to deviate from the application of Regulation 3, nevertheless each Administration may grant to individual passenger and cargo ships belonging to its country exemptions of a partial and/or conditional nature, or complete exemption from the requirements of Regulation 3.

(b) The exemptions permitted under paragraph (a) of this Regulation shall be granted only to a ship engaged on a voyage where the maximum distance of the ship from the shore, the length of the voyage, the absence of general navigational hazards, and other conditions affecting safety are such as to render the full application of Regulation 3 unreasonable or unnecessary.

(c) Each Administration shall submit to the Organisation as soon as possible after the first of January in each year a report showing all exemptions granted under sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Regulation during the previous calendar year.

Regulation 6*Exemptions from Regulation 4*

Each Administration may, if it considers that the route and conditions of the voyage are such as to render a radiotelephone installation unreasonable or unnecessary, exempt ships belonging to its country from the requirements of Regulation 4.

PART B.—WATCHES**Regulation 7***Watches—Radiotelegraph*

(a) (i) Each ship which in accordance with Regulation 3 is required to be fitted with a radiotelegraph installation shall, while at sea, carry at least one qualified operator* and, if not fitted with an auto alarm, shall, subject to the provisions of paragraph (d) of this Regulation, listen continuously on the radiotelegraph distress frequency in the medium frequency band by means of a qualified operator using some aural method.

(ii) However, in order to permit the installation of auto alarms developed in accordance with the specification in Regulation 11 in existing passenger ships below 3,000 tons gross tonnage and existing cargo ships below 5,500 tons gross tonnage, not fitted with an auto alarm, Administrations may on such ships permit the hours of listening to be limited to those shown in paragraphs (b)

* NOTE.—In some countries called radio officer.