

International Steering and Sailing Rules.

From the Order in Council, dated 11th August, 1884.

REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTING COLLISIONS AT SEA.

PRELIMINARY.

ART. 1. In the following rules every steam ship which is under sail and not under steam is to be considered a sailing ship ; and every steam ship which is under steam, whether under sail or not, is to be considered a ship under steam.

RULES CONCERNING LIGHTS.

ART. 2. The lights mentioned in the following articles, numbered 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, and no others, shall be carried in all weather, from sunset to sunrise.

ART. 3. A seagoing ship when under way shall carry,—

(a.) ON OR IN FRONT OF THE FOREMAST, at a height above the hull of not less than 20 feet, and if the breadth of the ship exceeds 20 feet, then at a height above the hull not less than such breadth, a bright White light, so constructed as to show a uniform and unbroken light, over an Arc of the Horizon of 20 points of the Compass ; so fixed as to throw the light 10 points on each side of the ship ; viz , from right ahead to 2 points abaft the beam on either side ; and of such a character as to be visible on a dark night, with a clear atmosphere, at a distance of at least Five miles.

(b.) ON THE STARBOARD SIDE, a Green Light, so constructed as to show an uniform and unbroken light over an Arc of the Horizon of 10 points of the Compass ; so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to 2 points abaft the beam on the starboard side ; and of such a character as to be visible on a dark night, with a clear atmosphere, at a distance of at least Two miles.

(c.) ON THE PORT SIDE, a Red Light, so constructed as to show an uniform and unbroken light over an Arc of the Horizon of 10 points of the Compass ; so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to 2 points abaft the beam on the Port side ; and of such a character as to be visible on a dark night, with a clear atmosphere, at a distance of at least Two miles.

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