

TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

Regulation 1

Location and Control of the Radiotelephone Station

Every radiotelephone station shall include one or more transmitters, one or more receivers, one or more sources of electrical energy, associated antennas and control equipment, and shall conform to the following:

- (a) The radiotelephone station, exclusive of the antennas and source of electrical energy, shall be located as high as practicable on the vessel, preferably on the bridge, and suitably protected from the harmful effects of water, temperature, electrical and mechanical noise;
- (b) The main operating position of the radiotelephone station shall be on the bridge, convenient to the conning position;
- (c) Where the radiotelephone station is located elsewhere than on the bridge, provision shall be made for complete operational control of the equipment at that location and at the bridge operating position. However, provision shall be made to take immediate and complete control of the equipment at the bridge operating position;
- (d) Provision shall be made for illuminating the operating controls at the main operating position;
- (e) Means shall be provided for charging any storage battery used in connection with the radiotelephone station.

Regulation 2

VHF and MF Radiotelephone Equipment

1. Effective January 1, 1975, every vessel shall have equipment complying with Section I of this Regulation.
2. During the interim period between the date this Agreement comes into force and January 1, 1975, every vessel of 500 gross tons or more shall have equipment complying with Sections I and II of this Regulation.
3. During the interim period between the date this Agreement comes into force and January 1, 1975, every vessel of less than 500 gross tons shall have equipment complying with either Section I or II of this Regulation.

Section I — VHF Radiotelephone Equipment operating in the band 156-162 MHz

- (a) The frequency 156.8 MHz is the distress, safety and calling frequency in the band 156-162 MHz for all stations of the Maritime Mobile Service in the Great Lakes Area.
- (b) The VHF radiotelephone equipment shall comply with the technical characteristics prescribed in the International Radio Regulations for transmitters and receivers using 50 kHz spacing between adjacent channels. Such equipment on vessels of Contracting Governments shall also comply with the technical regulations of the respective countries.