

CATEGORY VI WARSHIPS

The Register definition is:

"Vessels or submarines armed and equipped for military use with a standard displacement of 750 metric tonnes or above and those with a standard displacement of less than 750 metric tonnes equipped for launching missiles with a range of at least 25 kilometres or torpedoes with similar range."

CATEGORY VII MISSILES AND MISSILE LAUNCHERS

The Register definition is:

"Guided or unguided rockets, ballistic or cruise missiles capable of delivering a warhead or weapon of destruction to a range of at least 25 kilometres, and means designed or modified specifically for launching such missiles or rockets, if not covered by categories I through VI. For the purposes of the Register this category:

- a. also includes remotely-piloted vehicles with the characteristics for missiles as defined above;
- b. does not include ground-to-air missiles which are mounted on fixed land sites or on wheeled or tracked mobile launchers."

The Canadian interpretation of this category definition includes all air-launched and shipborne rockets and missiles that meet the range requirements, and all associated ship-mounted launchers. With regard to missile launchers, care must be taken to avoid double counting the Air Force and Army launchers previously mentioned in Categories I through IV.

Naval launchers, and in particular vertical launch missile batteries, introduce questions of interpretation: should the individual launcher cells be considered individual launchers? Canada considers a vertical launch battery to be one launcher (i.e., an eight cell vertical launch battery would be counted as a single launcher).

It is also worth noting that some vertical launch systems can accommodate several different types of missiles. Therefore, in the spirit of transparency, Canada believes that any vertical launcher capable of firing a missile that meets the category specifications should be included in the Register submission.

As far as Canada is concerned, if the "Tank, Artillery System, Combat Aircraft, or Warship" fits the above mentioned characteristics it is reported. Canada