

(b) Three white vertical lights if the port is open.

The above lights will be carried in addition to the ordinary navigation lights, and will show an unbroken light around the horizon.

(8) Masters are warned that, when approaching a British port where the Examination Service is in force, they must have the distinguishing signal of their vessel ready to hoist immediately the Examination Steamer makes the signal.

(9) Masters are warned that, before attempting to enter any of these ports when the Examination Service is in force, they must in their own interests strictly obey all instructions given to them by the Examination Steamer.

Whilst at anchor in the Examination Anchorage, Masters are warned that they must not lower any boats, communicate with the shore, work cables, move the ship, or allow anyone to leave the ship, without permission from the Examination Steamer (except to avoid accident).

(10) In case of fog, Masters are enjoined to use the utmost care, and the Port should be approached with caution.

(11) Merchant vessels when approaching ports are especially cautioned against making use of private signals of any description, either by day or night: the use of them will render a vessel liable to be fired on.

(12) The pilots attached to the ports will be acquainted with the regulations to be followed.

PART III.

PORTS OR LOCALITIES REFERRED TO.

United Kingdom.

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| Alderney. | |
| Barrow. | Lough Swilly. |
| Barry. | Milford Haven. |
| Belfast. | Newhaven. |
| Berehaven. | Plymouth. |
| Blyth. | Portland. |
| Clyde. | Portsmouth. |
| Cromarty. | Queenstown. |
| Dover. | River Humber. |
| Falmouth. | River Mersey. |
| Firth of Forth. | River Tay. |
| Guernsey. | River Tees. |
| Hartlepool. | River Thames. |
| Harwich. | River Tyne. |
| Inverness firth. | Scapa Flow. |
| Jersey. | Sheerness. |
| Lerwick. | Sunderland. |

Canada.

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| Esquimalt. | Quebec. |
| Halifax. | |

Mediterranean.

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| Gibraltar. | Malta. |
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Indian Ocean.

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| Aden. | Karachi. |
| Bombay. | Madras. |
| Calcutta. | Mauritius. |
| Colombo. | Rangoon. |

China Sea.

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| Hong Kong. | Singapore. |
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Africa.

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| Durban. | Simons bay. |
| Sierra Leone. | Table bay. |

Australia.

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| Adelaide. | Newcastle. |
| Brisbane. | Sydney. |
| Fremantle. | Thursday island. |
| Melbourne. | |

Tasmania.

Hobart.

New Zealand.

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| Auckland. | Port Lyttelton. |
| Otago. | Wellington. |

West Indies.

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| Bermuda. | Port Royal, Jamaica. |
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PART IV.

SWEEPING OPERATIONS.

Notice is hereby given that, under the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 1914, the following Regulations have been made by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and are now in force:—

H.M. Vessels are constantly engaged, both singly and in pairs, in sweeping operations off the coasts of the United Kingdom, and whilst so engaged they are hampered to a very considerable extent in their manœuvring powers.

With a view to indicating the nature of the work on which they are engaged, these vessels will show the signals hereinafter mentioned, and for the public safety all other vessels, whether steamers or sailing craft, must keep out of the way of vessels flying these signals and not approach them inside the distances mentioned herein, specially remembering that it is dangerous to pass inside these distances or between the vessels of a pair, as the vessels may have mines trailing in their sweeps and also on account of the danger caused to traffic if mine-sweepers have to slip their sweeps to get out of the way of vessels.

1. SIGNALS THAT WILL BE SHOWN BY DAY.

(a) By vessels working singly:

A black ball at the foremast head, and a similar ball at each yardarm or where they can best be seen.

Vessels showing this signal are not to be approached nearer than 300 yards.

(b) By vessels working in pairs:

A black ball at the foremast head, and a similar ball at the yardarm or where it can best be seen, on that side on which it is dangerous to pass.

Vessels are not to pass within a distance of 400 yards astern of a single pair of sweepers, or when more than one pair are working in company within a distance of 400 yards astern of rear pair. They are on no account to attempt to pass between pairs working in company.

2. SIGNALS THAT WILL BE SHOWN BY NIGHT.

As for day, except that all round green lights will be used in place of the black balls.

Caution.

Part IV. of this Admiralty Notice to Mariners is issued under the provisions of the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 1914, and failure to comply strictly with the directions contained in it will constitute an offence against those Regulations.

Any person found guilty of such an offence is liable to severe penalties both of imprisonment and fine.