

Shipping (Safety of Pleasure Vessels) Regulations

SAINT LUCIA

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In exercise of the power conferred by section 305 of the Shipping Act, Cap. 13.27 the Minister responsible for Shipping makes these Regulations:

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Shipping (Safety of Pleasure Vessels) Regulations 2010.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations –

“Act” means the Shipping Act, Cap. 13.27;

“Department” means the Division of Maritime Affairs established under section 4 of the Act;

“fishing” has the meaning assigned in section 2 of the Act;

“pleasure vessel” has the meaning assigned in section 2 of the Act;

“shipping notice” means a notice issued by the Department;

“voyage” includes an excursion, which commences when a vessel leaves its berth or anchorage at a port.

Application

3. These Regulations apply to Saint Lucian fishing and pleasure vessels of less than 24 metres in length.

Prohibition on proceeding on any voyage

4.— (1) A vessel shall not proceed on any voyage unless the vessel carries the safety equipment appropriate to its length and construction, decked or open, in accordance with the requirements of the Schedule.

(2) The operator of a pleasure craft shall be familiar with the Shipping (Distress Signals and Collision) Regulations.

*Shipping (Safety of Pleasure Vessels) Regulations***Equivalent provisions**

5. Where the Schedule requires that a particular fitting, material, appliance or apparatus or type shall be fitted or carried in a vessel, or that any particular provision shall be made, the Director may permit any other fitting, material, appliance or apparatus or type to be fitted or carried or any other provision to be made in that vessel if he or she is satisfied by trial or otherwise that such other fitting, material, appliance or apparatus or type thereof or provision is at least as effective as that required by the Schedule.

Penalties

6.— (1) Where a vessel proceeds or attempts to proceed on any voyage, in contravention of regulation 4, the owner and the skipper commits an offence, and are liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars.

(2) It is a defence for a person charged under these Regulations to show that he or she took all reasonable precautions to avoid the commission of the offence.

Detention

7. In any case where a vessel does not comply with the requirements of regulation 4, the vessel is liable to be detained in keeping with section 346 of the Act.

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SCHEDULE

(Regulation 4)

PART A

CHECK LIST OF REQUIREMENTS FOR THE
SAFETY OF PLEASURE VESSELS

1. DECKED Vessels 12m to less than 20m in length

	Item	Remarks/ compliance	Expiry/ Service Date
1	Lifejackets – 1 per person		
2	Liferafts		
3	2 Lifebuoys (1 with 18m buoyant line attached) or 1 Lifebuoy (with 18m buoyant line) + 1 Buoyant Rescue Quoit		
4	3 Parachute flares 2 Hand-held flares 1 Smoke Signal (buoyant or handheld)		
5	1 Fire bucket + Lanyard 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher [(fire rating 5A/34B)] 1 Fire Pump + Hose; or 1 Fire Bucket + 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher [(fire rating 5A/34B)] + 1 fixed Fire Extinguishing system for the machinery space 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher for oil fires [(fire rating 13A/113B)]		
6	VHF Radio– fixed or hand held		
7	Bilge Pump Bilge alarm		
8	Navigation Lights & Sound Signals		
9	Compass		
10	Waterproof Torch		
11	First Aid Kit		

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The items specified in paragraph 1 with the following substitutions

Item	Remarks/ compliance	Expiry/ Service Date
3 2 Lifebuoys (1 with 18m buoyant line attached and 1 with self igniting light)		
5 1 Fire bucket + Lanyard Multi-purpose Fire Extinguishers (1 in each compartment) <i>[(fire rating 5A/34B)]</i> 1 Fire Pump + Hose 1 fixed Fire Extinguishing system for the machinery space 1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher for oil fires <i>[(fire rating 13A/113B)]</i>		

Notes:

- (a) Equipment need not be approved by the Department provided it is fit for its intended purpose.
- (b) “Decked vessel” means a vessel with a continuous watertight weather deck that extends from stem to stern and has positive freeboard throughout, in any condition of loading the vessel.
- (c) VHF using DSC is highly recommended in view of cessation of the Channel 16 Dedicated Headset Watch on 1 February 2005.

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ALL DECKED Vessels up to 12m in length

Item	Remarks/ compliance	Expiry/ Service Date
Lifejackets – 1 per person		
2 Lifebuoys (1 with 18m buoyant line attached) or 1 Lifebuoy (with 18m buoyant line) + 1 Buoyant Rescue Quoit		
3 Parachute flares		
2 Hand-held flares		
1 Smoke Signal (buoyant or handheld)		
1 Fire bucket + Lanyard		
1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher [(<i>fire rating 5A/34B</i>)]		
1 Fire Pump + Hose or 1 Fire Bucket		
1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher for oil fires[(<i>fire rating 13A/113B</i>)]		
VHF Radio – fixed or hand held (if operating more than 3 miles from land)		
Bilge Pump		
Bilge alarm		
Navigation Lights & Sound Signals		
Compass		
Waterproof Torch		
First Aid Kit		

Notes:

- (a) Equipment need not be approved by the Department provided it is fit for its intended purpose.
- (b) “Decked vessel” means a vessel with a continuous watertight weather deck that extends from stem to stern and has positive freeboard throughout, in any condition of loading the vessel.
- (c) VHF using DSC is highly recommended in view of cessation of the Channel 16 Dedicated Headset Watch on 1 February 2005.

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OPEN Vessels 10m and above to less than 24m in length

Item	Remarks/ compliance	Expiry/ Service Date
Lifejackets – 1 per person		
Liferafts		
2 Lifebuoys (1 with 18m buoyant line) or 1 Lifebuoy (with 18m buoyant line) + 1 Buoyant Rescue Quoit		
3 Parachute flares		
2 Hand-held flares		
1 Smoke Signal(buoyant or handheld)		
1 Fire bucket + Lanyard		
1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher [(<i>fire rating 5A/34B</i>)]		
1 Fire Pump + Hose or 1 Fire Bucket		
1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher for oil fires [(<i>fire rating 13A/113B</i>)]		
VHF Radio– fixed or hand held		
Bilge Pump		
Navigation Lights & Sound Signals		
Compass		
Waterproof Torch		
First Aid Kit		

Notes:

- (a) Equipment need not be approved by the Department provided it is fit for its intended purpose.
- (b) “Open vessel” means a vessel that is not fitted with a complete watertight or weathertight deck or complete structure above the waterline.
- (c) VHF using Digital Selective Calling (DSC) is highly recommended in view of cessation of the Channel 16 Dedicated Headset Watch on 1 February 2005

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OPEN Vessels less than 10m in length

Item	Remarks/ compliance	Expiry/ Service Date
Lifejackets – 1 per person		
1 Lifebuoy (with 18m buoyant line attached)		
2 Parachute Flares		
2 Hand-held Flares		
1 Smoke Signal, buoyant or hand held		
1 Fire Bucket + Lanyard		
1 Multi-purpose Fire Extinguisher [(<i>fire rating 5A/34B</i>)] – if vessel has in-board engine		
VHF Radio – fixed or hand held (if operating more than 3 miles from land)		
Bailer		
Navigation Lights & Sound Signals		
Compass		
Waterproof Torch		
First Aid Kit		

Notes:

- (a) Equipment need not be approved by the Department provided it is fit for its intended purpose.
- (b) “Open vessel” means a vessel that is not fitted with a complete watertight or weathertight deck or complete structure above the waterline
- (c) VHF using Digital Selective Calling (DSC) is highly recommended in view of cessation of the Channel 16 Dedicated Headset Watch on 1st February 2005.

*Shipping (Safety of Pleasure Vessels) Regulations***PART B****GUIDANCE FOR SURVEYORS, INSPECTORS, OWNERS OF
PLEASURE BOATS AND FISHERMEN**

1. *Lifejackets* should be of the solid-filled type, or should have automatic gas inflation and at least 150 Newtons buoyancy. One lifejacket per person carried, fitted with light, whistle and reflective tape.
2. *Liferafts* should either be float free, fitted with an hydrostatic release unit (HRU), or stowed in a position where it is accessible for deployment in an emergency. It/they should have a capacity sufficient for the total number of persons on board.
3. *Lifebuoys* should be marked with the vessel name and port of registry, or identification or fishing vessel number, and fitted with reflective tape and may be circular or horseshoe in shape.
4. *Flares and smoke signals* should be of an acceptable type and within their expiry date.
5. *Fixed fire-extinguishing systems* should be an approved system or a fixed fire extinguisher of sufficient capacity arranged to discharge directly into the machinery space.
6. *Navigation lights and sound signals:*
 - (1) Any vessel that operates between sunset and sunrise or in times of restricted visibility must exhibit the navigation and fishing lights prescribed in the Distress Signals and Prevention of Collision Regulations.
 - (2) For power-driven vessels of less than 12m in length:
 - (a) A masthead light or all round white light of 2-mile range, is to be at least 1 metre higher than sidelights;
 - (b) Sidelights of 1 mile range at a height above the uppermost continuous deck not greater than three-quarters the height of the masthead light;
 - (c) A stern light of 2-mile range, if the masthead light (in paragraph (a)) is carried;
 - (d) An all-round white anchor light of 2 mile range is required if anchored in or near a narrow channel, fairway or anchorage, or where other vessels normally navigate.
 - (3) Alternatively, a vessel under 7 metres, with speed less than 7 knots may, instead of the above lights, exhibit one all-round white light of 2 mile range and if practical, sidelights or a combination lantern.
 - (4) For power-driven vessels 12-20m in length:

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- (a) A masthead light of 3-mile range, is to be at least 1 metre higher than sidelights and not less than 2.5m above the gunwale;
 - (b) Sidelights of 2 mile range at a height above the uppermost continuous deck not greater than three-quarters the height of the masthead light;
 - (c) A stern light of 2-mile range;
 - (d) An all-round white anchor light of 2 mile range.
- (5) For power-driven vessels of 20-24m in length:
- (a) A masthead light of 5-mile range, is to be at least 6 metres above the hull;
 - (b) Sidelights of 2 mile range at a height above the uppermost continuous deck not greater than three-quarters the height of the masthead light, at or near the side of the vessel and not in front of the masthead light;
 - (c) A stern light of 2-mile range;
 - (d) An all-round white anchor light of 2 mile range.
- (6) Sailing vessels:
- (a) Side lights and a stern light appropriate for the size of vessel;
 - (b) In a vessel of less than 20m in length, the lights in subparagraph (1) may be combined in one lantern at or near the top of the mast;
 - (c) Alternatively, a vessel of less than 7m in length may have ready a white light to be shown in sufficient time to prevent collision.
- (7) Vessels under oars may exhibit the lights prescribed in subparagraph (3).
- (8) For Fishing Vessels:
- (a) lights appropriate for the size of vessel referred to in subparagraphs (2) and (7);
 - (b) An all round white light of 2 miles range when trawling or fishing as referred to in 6.8.4 (that may also on its own be used as a anchor light). Which is to be more than 2 metres above the gunwales and above the sidelights at more than twice the distance between this light and that in sub paragraph (c);
 - (c) An all-round light (green if trawling, red if fishing other than trawling) at least 1 metre above the all-round white light in subparagraph (b) and of 2 mile range.

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- (9) Sound Signals:
- (a) Vessels of 20-24m in length shall be provided with sound signalling appliances audible one mile away.
 - (b) Vessels of less than 20m in length shall be provided with sound signalling apparatus audible one half mile away.
 - (c) Vessels of less than 12m are not obliged to carry the sound signalling apparatus in paragraph (b) but shall have some other means of making an efficient sound signal.

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PART C
FIRSTAID KITS

1. Type and Size

First-aid kits shall be of the water-tight cabinet carrying type capable of holding the items specified in paragraph 3.2.

2. Construction and Workmanship

The container shall be of substantial and rugged construction, with the body, handle and all fittings of a corrosion-resistant material or suitably protected against corrosion to the satisfaction of the Administration.

3. Contents

- (1) Items shall be properly labelled to designate the name of contents and method of use. Each package shall be enclosed in a jacket of tough, transparent material, properly sealed, which shall be watertight. Vials for tablets shall not be made of glass.
- (2) The items contained in the first-aid kit shall be as listed in the following Table.

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Items	No.
Bandage compress - 4"	5
Bandage compress - 2"	8
Waterproof adhesive compress - 1"	32
Triangular bandage - 40"	3
Eye dressing packet, 1/8 oz Ophthalmic ointment, adhesive strips, cotton pads	32
Bandage, gauze, compressed, 2 inches by 6 yards	-
1 - Tourniquet, 1 - forceps, 1 - scissors, 12 safety pins	1
Wire splint	10
Ammonia inhalants	10
Iodine applicators (½ ml swab type)	5
Aspirin, phenacetin and caffeine compound, 6½ gr. tablets, vials of 20 Sterile petrolatum gauze, 3" x 18"	12

(3) Instructions

Instructions for the use of the contents of the first-aid kit shall be printed in legible type on a durable surface and shall be securely attached to the inside of the cover. The instructions for the use of the contents are as follows:-

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Item Title	Remarks
Ammonia inhalants	Break one and inhale for faintness, fainting, or collapse.
Aspirin, phenacetin, caffeine tablets	Chew up and swallow 2 tablets every three hours for headache, colds, minor aches, pains, and fever. Maximum of 8 in twenty-four hours.
Bandage compress, 4" and 2"	Apply as a dressing over wound. DO NOT touch part that comes in contact with wound. For securing splints, dressings, etc.
Bandage, gauze, compressed, 2"	Use as arm sling, tourniquet, or for retaining splints or dressings in place.
Bandage, triangular, compressed	The petrolatum gauze bandage is applied in at least two layers over the burned surface and an area extending 2" beyond it. The first dressing should be allowed to remain in place, changing only the outer, dry bandage as needed, for at least 10 days unless signs of infection develop after several days, in which case the dressing should be removed and the burn treated as an infected wound. Watch for blueness or coldness of the skin beyond the dressing and loosen the dressing if such signs appear.
Burn dressing	Apply as dressing over small wounds. DO NOT touch part that comes in contact with wound.
Compress, adhesive, 1"	Apply as dressing over inflamed or injured eye. Use to remove splinters or foreign bodies. Do not dig.
Eye patch	Apply in space formed by pulling lower eyelid down, once daily for inflamed or injured eyes. Do not touch eyeball with tube.
Forceps	Pad with gauze and mold to member to immobilize broken bones. Hold in place with bandage. Do not attempt to set the bone. Remove protective sleeve, crush tube and apply swab end. DO NOT use in or around eyes. For control of haemorrhage. Loosen for a few seconds every 15 minutes.
Ophthalmic ointment	
Splint, wire	
Tincture of iodine, mild	
Tourniquet	

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4. Marking

Each approved first-aid kit shall be permanently marked with the following information: name of manufacturer, trade name symbol, model number, or other identification used by the manufacturer and the words "FIRST-AID KIT".

Made this 2nd day of December, 2009.

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Minister responsible for Shipping.