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23RD FEBRUARY

Last previous Paper

No objection to issue of proposed C.I.G. but submits suggestions for amendment of certain sections. Encloses copy of International Collision Regulations.

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Re also 70/3396.

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Navy Department
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(MARINE DEPARTMENT).

GREAT GEORGE STREET,

LONDON, S.W.1.

Recd
Ref 28.1.21

23rd February, 1921.

Sir,

gof With reference to your letters of the 29th December (56862/20) and of the 1st February (3396/1921) respecting the introduction of legislation to control steamers and ships navigating Lakes Victoria Nyanza and Kioga in East Africa, I am directed by the Board of Trade to state, for the information of Mr. Secretary Churchill, that they see no objection to the issue of an Order in Council upon the suggested.

The Board recommend, however, that the following clauses should be substituted for clauses 6, 7 and 8:

6. On steam vessels plying on Lake Victoria Nyanza there shall be at least two lifeboats attached to davits, and as many buoyant deck seats, or other buoyant apparatus as can be properly placed, so that with the boats there will be provision for 60 per cent of the total persons carried on board. In addition there shall be in the case of vessels of under 200 feet in length four lifebuoys and in other vessels eight lifebuoys, and a lifejacket for each person on board. Provided that where, owing to the size or construction of the vessel it is unnecessary or impracticable to carry two lifeboats under davits, permission may be granted to dispense with one or both sets of davits.

7. Each steam vessel navigating Lake Kioga shall either carry on board or tow alongside a boat or boats, or good serviceable canoes sufficiently large to accommodate

The Under-Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
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all Europeans on the steamer, and in addition buoyant apparatus which with the boats or canoes shall provide for 40 per cent of the total persons on board. Lifebuoys may be furnished in the buoyant apparatus at the rate of one lifebuoy for two persons. There shall also be provided a lifejacket for each person carried on board the steamer.

Clauses 12 to 30 appear to be a modified version of the International Regulations for preventing collisions at sea. The Board appreciate that certain modifications may be necessary for the purpose of adapting the International Regulations to local conditions, but I am to suggest that except where the local conditions clearly necessitate such modification, the rules should follow as closely as possible the International regulations, which are the result of the experience of all Maritime Countries extending over a period of many years. With this object in view, I am to suggest the following amendments:-

Clause 14. The heading is inexact, but appears unnecessary and might be disposed with. The last paragraph would more appropriately follow paragraph (a).

Clause 15. Second Paragraph: the word "these" should apparently be "the". *Letter 801
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Clause 16. The word "or" should be inserted before the words "on or in front of".

The paragraph headed "Steam Vessels to carry Whistles" should apparently be included in Clause 20, or, alternatively, should have a separate number.

Clause 20. A definition of "prolonged blasts" might be inserted such as is given in Article 15 of the International Regulations.

Paragraph (d) is presumably intended to apply to Steam Vessels; if so it would more appropriately follow Paragraph (b). If, however, it is intended to apply to Sailing Vessels also, provision should be made for such vessels to carry bells.

It would probably be safer in prescribing sound signals for a vessel not under command (Paragraph g.) to follow Article 15 (e) of the International Regulations.

Clauses 21, 22 and 23 would be clearer if they included explanations such as are given, respectively, in Articles 15, 18 and 24 of the International regulations.

The second part of Clause 24 should apparently form a separate Clause, and should be followed by the note now appended to Clause 25.

A copy of the International Collision Regulations is enclosed for reference.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

G. Baker

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NOTE BY THE BOARD OF TRADE

The Order in Council of 13th October, 1892 reproduces the regulations for preventing collisions at sea, and the regulations relating to lights, signals and whistles in force since 1897, and also provides, in addition to respectively, the regulations as to the lights of fishing vessels and the lights and signals of fishing vessels which were enacted by Order in Council in 1892 respectively. It also applies the regulations, with reservations, to the vessels of a large number of foreign countries.

No alteration has been made in the requirements of regulations affecting British vessels.

The previous Orders in Council respecting regulations and signals of distress are no longer in force.

PRESIDENT,
KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY
IN COUNCIL.

Whereas by Section 101 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 His Majesty is empowered from time to time on the joint recommendation of the Admiralty and the Board of Trade, by Order in Council to make regulations for preventing collisions at sea, in the said Act referred to as Collision Regulations;

And whereas by Section 424 of the said Act it is provided that whenever it is made to appear to His Majesty in Council that the Government of any foreign country is willing that the said regulations or any of them should apply to the ships of that country when beyond the limits of British jurisdiction, His Majesty may, by Order in Council, direct that those regulations shall, subject to any limitation of time, conditions and qualifications contained in the Order, apply to the ships of the said foreign country, whether within British jurisdiction or not, and that such ships shall for the purpose of such regulations be treated as if they were British ships.

And whereas by Section 434 of the said Act His Majesty is empowered from time to time by Order in Council to make rules as to signals of distress:

And whereas by Section 734 of the said Act it is provided that where it has been made to appear to His Majesty that the Government of any foreign country is desirous that any of the provisions of that Act which do not apply to the ships of that country, should so apply, and there are no special provisions in the Act for that application, His Majesty in Council may order that such of those provisions as are in the Order specified shall (subject to the limitations if any contained therein) apply to the ships of that country, and to the owners, masters, seafarers, and apprentices of those ships, when not locally within the jurisdiction of the government of that country, in the same manner in all respects as if those ships were British ships;

And whereas the said 738 &c. of the said Act it is provided that where His Majesty amending the same may from time to time make any Order in Council His Majesty may make that Order in Council and by Order or add to any Order so made; and last-mentioned Section it is further provided that no such Order as aforesaid shall be made without the advice and consent of the House of Commons.

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In Order in Council dated the 27th day of
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subsequent Orders dated the 7th day of July, 1897,
are extended, subject to the limitations stated
in the ships of the several countries specified in
the last mentioned Order:

in Council dated respectively the

And whereas it is expedient to consolidate the regulations
for the prevention of collisions between British ships:

And wheresoever it is expedient
which have been made as regards British Ships:
the Governors of the several countries mentioned in Schedule II.
hereto annexed are willing that the regulation and rule
contained in said Schedule I. should, subject to the qualifications
mentioned in said aforesaid Schedule I. and to the proviso in the
case of Chinese ships that the application of the regulations
rules shall be limited to ships of foreign-type, apply to the ships
of those countries when beyond the limits of British jurisdiction:
and the provisions of Section one of the Rules
therein contained shall apply therewith.

Now therefore, His Majesty, by virtue of the powers conferred on Him by the aforesaid Act, and on the joint recommendation of the Admiralty and the Board of Trade, is pleased to direct and with the advice of His Privy Council, to issue and publish the following collision regulations and the rules as to signals of distress contained in Schedule I. to this Order shall apply to all British ships: * His Majesty is also pleased to direct that the said regulations and signals of distress shall be published in the *Official Publications* and

And His Majesty is also pleased to direct that the said regulations and rules shall, subject to the aforesaid qualifications and to the proviso in the case of Chinese ships that the regulations and rules will be applicable only to ships of foreign type, apply to the ships of the countries named in Schedule II. to this Order whether they are within British jurisdiction or not, and that such ships shall for the purpose of such regulations and rules be treated as if they were British ships.

His Majesty is further pleased to direct that this Order

And His Majesty is further pleased to direct that the said Order shall come into operation on and after the 15th day of October, 1910, and that as and from the coming into operation of this Order the Orders in Council specified in Schedule III. to this Order shall be revoked and the same shall be revoked accordingly.

SCHEDULE I.

Preliminary.

These Rules shall be followed by all vessels upon the high seas and in all waters connected therewith, navigable by sea-going vessels.

In the following Rules every steam vessel which is under sail and not under steam is to be considered a sailing vessel, and every vessel under steam, whether under sail or not, is to be considered a steam vessel.

The word "steam vessel" shall include any vessel propelled by machinery.

A vessel is "under way" within the meaning of these Rules when she is not at anchor, or made fast to the shore or aground.

Rules concerning Lights, &c.

The word "visible" in these Rules, when applied to lights, shall mean visible on a dark night with a clear atmosphere.

Article F. The Rules concerning lights shall be complied with in all weathers from sunset to sunrise, and during such time no other lights which may be mistaken for the prescribed lights shall be exhibited.

(a.) On or in front of the ~~fore~~ deck.

- (a.) On or in front of the foremast, or if a vessel without a foremast, then in the fore part of the vessel, at a height above the hull of not less than 20 feet, and if the breadth of the vessel exceeds 20 feet, then at a height above the hull not less than such breadth, so, however, that the light need not be carried at a greater height above the hull than 40 feet, a bright white light, so constructed as to show an 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 vessel, viz., from right ahead to 2 points abeam abaft the beam on either side, and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least 5 miles.

(b.) On the starboard side a green light so constructed as to show an 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 two points abaft the beam on the starboard side, and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least 2 miles.

(c.) On the port side a red light so constructed as to show an 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 at a distance of at least 2 miles.

(d.) That said green and red side-lights shall be fitted with inboard screens projecting at least 3 feet forward

from the light, so as to prevent those lights from being seen across the bow.

- (e.) A steam vessel which may carry an additional white light similar in construction to the light mentioned in subdivision (a). These two lights shall be so placed in line with the last one shall be at least 15 feet higher than the other, and in such a position with reference to each other that the lower light shall be forward of the upper one. The vertical distance between these lights shall be less than the horizontal distance.

Article 3. A steam vessel when towing another vessel shall, in addition to her side-lights, carry two bright white lights in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 feet apart, and when towing more than one vessel shall carry an additional bright white light 6 feet above or below such lights, if the length of the tow, measuring from the stern of the towing vessel to the stern of the last vessel towed, exceeds 600 feet. Each of these lights shall be of the same construction and character, and shall be carried in the same position as the white light mentioned in Article 2 (a), except the additional light, which may be carried at a height of not less than 14 feet above the hull.

Such steam vessel may carry a small white light abaft the funnel or aftermost for the vessel towed to steer by, but such light shall not be visible forward of the beam.

Article 4.—(a.) A vessel which from any evident is not under command shall carry at the same height as the white light mentioned in Article 2 (a), where they can best be seen; and, if a steam vessel, in lieu of that light, two red lights, in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 feet apart, and of such a character as to be visible all round the horizon at a distance of at least 2 miles; and shall by day carry in a vertical line one over the other not less than 6 feet apart, where they can best be seen, two black balls or shapes each 2 feet in diameter.

(b.) A vessel employed in laying or in picking up a telegraph cable shall carry in the same position as the white light mentioned in Article 2 (a), and if a steam vessel, in lieu of that light, three lights in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 feet apart. The highest and lowest of these lights shall be red, and the middle light shall be white, and they shall be of such a character as to be visible all round the horizon, at a distance of at least 2 miles. By day she shall carry in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 6 feet apart, where they can best be seen, three shapes not less than 2 feet in diameter, of which the highest and lowest shall be diamond in shape and white in colour, and the middle one diamond in shape and white.

(c.) The vessels referred to in this Article when not sailing way through the water, shall not carry the side lights, but when making way shall carry them.

(d.) The lights and shapes required to be shown by this Article are to be taken by other vessels as signals that the vessel towing them is not under command and cannot therefore get out of the way.

These signals are not signals of vessels in distress, and requiring assistance. Such signals are contained in Article 3.

Article 5. A sailing vessel under way, and any vessel being towed, shall carry the same lights as are prescribed by Articles 2 for a steam vessel under way, with the exception of the white lights mentioned therein, which they shall not carry.

Article 6. Whenever, as in the case of small vessels under way during bad weather, the green and red side-lights cannot be fixed, these lights shall be kept at hand lighted and ready for use; and shall, on the approach of or to other vessels, be exhibited, on their respective sides in sufficient time to prevent collision, in such manner as to make them most visible, and so that the green light shall not be seen on the port side nor the red light on the starboard side, not, if practicable, more than 2 paces, abeam on the beam on their respective sides.

To make the use of these portable lights more certain and easy, the lanterns containing them shall each be painted outside with the colour of the light they respectively contain, and shall be provided with proper screens.

Article 7. Steam vessels of less than 40, and vessels under oars or sails of less than 20, tons gross tonnage, respectively, and rowing boats, when under way, shall not be obliged to carry the lights mentioned in Article 2 (a) (b) and (c), but if they do not carry them they shall be provided with the following lights:

1. Stars in vessels of less than 40 tons shall carry:

(a) In the fore part of the vessel, or on or in front of the funnel, where it can best be seen, and at a height above the gunwale of not less than 9 feet, a bright white light constructed and fixed as prescribed in Article 2 (a), and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least 2 miles.

(b) Green and red side-lights constructed and fixed as prescribed in Article 2 (b) and (c), and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least 1 mile, or a combined lantern showing a green light and a red light from right ahead to 2 points abaft the beam on their respective sides. Such lantern shall be carried not less than 3 feet below the white light.

2. Small steamboats, such as are carried by sailing vessels, may carry the white light at a height not less than 6 feet above the gunwale, but it shall be carried above the combined lantern, mentioned in subdivision 1 (b).

3. Vessels under oars or sail, of less than 20 tons shall have ready at hand a lantern with a green glass on one side and a red glass on the other, which, on the approach of or to other vessels, shall be exhibited in sufficient time to prevent collision, so that the green light shall not be seen on the port side nor the red light on the starboard side.

Rowing boats, whether under oars or sail, shall have ready at hand a lantern showing a white light, which shall be temporarily exhibited in sufficient time to prevent collision.

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The vessels referred to in this Article shall not be obliged to carry the lights prescribed by Article 4 (a), and Article 11, last paragraph.

Article 8. Pilot-vessels, when engaged in their station or pilotage duty, shall not show the lights required for other vessels, but shall carry a white light at the masthead, visible all round the horizon, and shall also exhibit a flare-up light or flare-up lights at short intervals, which shall never exceed fifteen minutes.

On the near approach of or to other vessels they shall have their side-lights lighted, ready for use, and shall flash or show them at short intervals, to indicate the direction in which they are heading, but the green light shall not be shown on the port side, nor the red light on the starboard side.

A pilot-vessel of such a class as to be obliged to go alongside of a vessel to put a pilot on board, may show the white light instead of carrying it at the masthead, and may, instead of the coloured lights above mentioned, have at hand ready for use a lantern with a green glass on the one side and a red glass on the other, to be used as prescribed above.

A steam pilot-vessel exclusively employed for the service of pilotage licensed or certified by any pilotage authority or the Committee of any pilotage district, when engaged on her station on pilotage duty and not at anchor, shall, in addition to the lights required for all pilot boats, carry at a distance of eight feet below her white masthead light a red light visible all round the horizon 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, and also the coloured side-lights required to be carried by vessels when under way.

When engaged on her station on pilotage duty and at anchor she shall carry, in addition to the lights required for all pilot boats, the red light above mentioned, but not the coloured side-lights.

Pilot-vessels, when not engaged on their station on pilotage duty, shall carry lights similar to those of other vessels of their tonnage.

Article 9.*^t Fishing-vessels and fishing-boats, when under way and when not required by this Article to carry or show the lights herein-after specified shall carry or show the lights prescribed for vessels of their tonnage under way.

(a.) Open boats, by which it is to be understood boats not protected from the entry of sea water by means of a continuous deck, when engaged in any fishing at night with outlying tackle extending not more than 150 feet horizontally from the boat into the seaway, shall carry one all-round white light.

Open boats, when fishing at night, with outlying tackle extending more than 150 feet horizontally from the boat into the seaway, shall carry one all-round

* This article does not apply to Chinese or Siamese vessels.
† The expression "Mediterranean Sea" contained in sub-sections (b) and (c) of this Article includes the Black Sea and the other adjacent inland seas in communication with it.

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(c.) Vessels and boats, except open boats as defined in subdivision (a), when line-fishing with their lines out and attached to or hauling their lines, and when not at anchor or stationary within the meaning of subdivision (b), shall carry the same lights as vessels fishing with drift-nets. When shooting lines, or fishing with towing-lines, they shall carry the lights prescribed for a steam or sailing vessel under way respectively.

Within the Mediterranean Sea and in the seas bordering the coasts of Japan and Korea sailing fishing vessels of less than 20 tons gross tonnage shall not be obliged to carry the lower of these two lights; should they, however, not carry it, they shall show in the same position (in the direction of the lines) a white light, visible at a distance of not less than one sea-mile on the approach of or to other vessels.

(d.) Vessels, when engaged in trawling, by which is meant the dragging of an apparatus along the bottom of the sea—

1. If steam vessels, shall carry in the same position as the white light mentioned in Article 2 (a).

* Dutch vessels and boats when engaged in the "kol," or hand-line, fishing will carry the lights prescribed for vessels fishing with drift nets.

† Also, as regards Russian vessels, in the seas (excluding the Baltic) bordering the coasts of Russia.

1 unenclosed lanterns or counterbalanced lanterns below a white light beam, each lantern being so placed as to give a beam of light at two points on each side of the ship, one point being on the starboard, and the other on the port, respectively, and not less than 12° nor more than 24° from the vertical line between the two points; the distance between the two lanterns shall not exceed 12 m. The lanterns shall be so constructed as to show a clear white light all round the horizon, and unobstructed by fog.

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(e.) Gyner dredgers and other vessels fishing with dredges, shall carry and show the same lights as trawlers.

(f.) Fishing-vessels and fishing-boats may at any time use a flare-up light in addition to the lights which they are by this Article required to carry and show, and they may also use working lights.

(g.) Every fishing-boat under 150 feet in length, when at anchor, shall exhibit a white light visible all round the horizon at a distance of at least one mile.

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Every fishing vessel of 150 feet in length or upwards, when at anchor, shall exhibit a white light visible all round the horizon at a distance of at least one mile, and shall exhibit a second light as provided for vessels of such length, Article 11.

for vessels of such length, whether under 150 feet in length, or of 150 feet or upwards, be attached to a suitable fishing gear, she shall on the approach of other vessels show an additional white light at least three below the anchor light, and at a horizontal distance of at least 5 feet away from it in the rear of the net or gear.

(h) If a vessel or boat while fishing gets into such consequence of her gear getting fast to a rock or other obstruction, she shall in darkness haul down the day-signal required by sub-division (b); at night show the light or lights prescribed for a vessel at anchor; and during fog, mist, or other heavy rain, when she can make the signal prescribed for a vessel at anchor. (See sub-division (d), and the last paragraph, of

In fog, mist, falling snow or heavy rain-storms, drift-net vessels attached to their nets, and vessels when

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vessels came in and out all day long.

The vessels required by this Article to carry or show the lights herein-before specified shall not be obliged to carry the lights prescribed by Article 4(a) and the last part of Article 4(b).

Article 10. A light which is being over taken by another shall show from her stern to such last-mentioned vessel a white light or a flare-on light.

The white light required to be shown by this Article may be fixed and carried in a lantern, but in no case the lantern shall be unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of 12 points of the compass, viz., for 6 points from right aft on each side of the vessel, so as to be visible at a distance of at least 1 mile. Such light shall be carried as nearly as practicable on the same level as the side-lights.

Article 11. A vessel under 150 feet in length, when at anchor, shall carry forward, where it can best be seen, but at a height not exceeding 20 feet above the hold, a white light in a lantern so constructed as to show a clear, uniform, and unbroken light visible all round the horizon at a distance of

A vessel of 150 feet or upwards in length, when at anchor, shall carry in the forward part of the vessel, at a height of not less than 20, and not exceeding 40, feet above the water, one such light, and at or near the stern of the vessel, and as such a height that it shall be not less than 15 feet lower than the forward light, another such light.

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A vessel, *n.t.s.*, in a similar a fashion, shall carry the above light or lights and the two red lights suspended from the top of the mast.

Art. 12. Even when it is necessary in order to attract attention, in addition to the lights which she is by these regulations required to carry, show a flare-up light or use any detonating signal that cannot be mistaken for a distress signal.

Article 13. Nothing in these Rules shall interfere with the operation of any special rules made by the Government.

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Sounds Signals for

Article 16. Signals prescribed by this Article for vessels
described shall be given:

- under w^{ch} shall be given:

 1. By "stirring vessels" on the whistle or siren.
 2. By "saluting vessels and vessels" on the toy-horn.

The words "prolonged blast" used in this Article shall mean a blast of from 4 to 6 seconds' duration.

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A steam vessel shall be provided with an efficient whistle or siren, sounded by steam or some suitable motive power, so placed and that the sound may not be intercepted by any obstruction, and with an efficient fog-horn, to be sounded by mechanical means, and also with an efficient bell.* A sailing vessel of 20 tons gross tonnage or upwards shall be provided with a similar tolling bell.

In fog, mist, falling snow, or heavy rain, at day or night, the signals described in this Article shall be used, viz.: —

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Terminology and Sailing Rules

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Rule 10. Vision can, when circumstances permit, be ascertained by carefully watching the compass bearing of an approaching vessel. If the bearing does not appreciably change, such a vessel should be deemed to exist.

Article 17. When two sailing vessels are approaching one another, so as to involve risk of collision, one of them shall give way, as far as may be necessary, according to the rules of the case.

- (a.) A vessel which is running free shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled.

(b.) A vessel which is close-hauled on the port tack shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled on the starboard tack.

(c.) When both are running free with the wind on different sides, the vessel which has the wind on the port side shall keep out of the way of the other.

(d.) When both are running free with the wind on the same side, the vessel which is to windward shall keep out of the way of the vessel which is to leeward.

3. A vessel which has the wind aft shall keep out of the way of the other vessel.

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8. When two steam vessels are meeting end on, or so as to involve risk of collision, each shall alter her course, so that each may pass on the port side.

It only applies to cases where vessels are meeting or nearly end on, in such a position as to involve

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It does not apply, by day, to cases in which a vessel sees another ahead crossing her own course; or by night, to cases where the red light of one vessel is opposed to the red light of the other, or where the green light of one vessel is opposed to the green light of the other, or where a red light without a green light, or a green light without a red-light, is seen ahead, or where both green and red lights are seen anywhere but ahead.

Article 19. When two steam vessels are crossing, so as to involve risk of collision, the vessel which has the other on her own starboard side shall keep out of the way of the other.

Article 20. When a steam vessel and a sailing vessel are proceeding in such directions as to involve risk of collision, the steam vessel shall keep out of the way of the sailing vessel.

Article 21. Where by any of these Rules one of two vessels is to keep out of the way, the other shall keep her course and speed.

Note.—When, in consequence of thick weather or other causes, such vessel finds herself so close that collision cannot be avoided by the action of the giving-way vessel alone, she also shall take such action as will best aid to avert collision. (See Articles 27 and 29.)

Article 22. Every vessel which is directed by these Rules to keep out of the way of another vessel shall, if the circumstances of the case admit, avoid crossing ahead of the other.

Article 23. Every steam vessel which is directed by these Rules to keep out of the way of another vessel shall, on approaching her, if necessary, slacken her speed or stop or reverse.

Article 24. Notwithstanding anything contained in these Rules, every vessel overtaking any other, shall keep out of the way of the overtaken vessel.

Every vessel coming up with another vessel from any direction more than two points abaft her beam, i.e., in such a position, with reference to the vessel which she is overtaking, that at night she would be unable to see either of that vessel's side-lights, shall be deemed to be an overtaking vessel; and no subsequent alteration of the bearing between the two vessels shall make the overtaking vessel a crossing vessel, within the meaning of these Rules, or relieve her of the duty of keeping clear of the overtaken vessel until she is finally past and clear.

As by day the overtaking vessel cannot always know with certainty whether she is forward or astern this direction

from the other vessel, she should, if in doubt, assume that she is an overtaking vessel and keep out of the way.

Article 25. In narrow channels every steam vessel shall, when it is safe and practicable, keep to that side of the fair-way or mid-channel which lies on the leeward-side of such vessel.

Article 26. Sailing vessels under way shall keep out of the way of sailing vessels or boats fishing with nets, or lines, or trawls. This Rule shall not give to any vessel or boat engaged in fishing the right of obstructing a fairway used by vessels other than fishing-vessels or boats.

Article 27. In obeying and遵从ing these Rules, due regard shall be had to all dangers of navigation and collision, and to any special circumstances which may render a departure from the above Rules necessary in order to avoid immediate danger.

Sound Signals for Vessels in Sight of one Another.

Article 28. The words "short blast" used in this Article shall mean a blast of about one second's duration.

When vessels are in sight of one another, a steam vessel under way, in taking any course authorized or required by these Rules, shall indicate that course by the following signals on her whistle or siren, viz.:—

One short blast to mean, "I am directing my course to starboard."

Two short blasts to mean, "I am directing my course to port."

Three short blasts to mean, "My engines are going full speed astern."

No Vessel under any Circumstances to neglect proper Precautions.

Article 29. Nothing in these Rules shall exonerate any vessel, its owner, or master, or crew thereof, from the consequences of any neglect to carry lights or signals, or of any neglect to keep a proper look-out, or of the neglect of any precaution which may be required by the ordinary practice of seafarers, or by the special circumstances of the case.

Reservation of Rules for Harbour and Inland Navigation.

Article 30. Nothing in these Rules shall interfere with the operation of a special rule, duly made by local authority, relative to the navigation of any harbour, river, or inland waters.

Distress Signals.

Article 31. When a vessel is in distress and requires assistance from other vessels or from the shore, the following shall be the signals to be used or displayed by her, either together or separately, viz.:—

In the daytime—

1. A gun or other explosive signal fired at intervals of about a minute;
2. The International Code signal of distress indicated by NC;

3. The distant signal, consisting of a square flag, having either above or below it a ball or anything resembling a ball;
 4. A continuous sounding with any fog-signal apparatus.
- At night—
1. A gun or other explosive signal fired at intervals of about a minute;
 2. Flames on the vessel (as from a burning tar-barrel, oil-barrel, &c.);
 3. Rockets or shells, throwing stars of any colour or description, fired one at a time, at short intervals;
 4. Continuous sounding with any fog-signal apparatus.

SCHEDULE II.

List of countries to which the regulations contained in Schedule I. apply, subject to the limitations and conditions stated in the Order and the Schedule.

Argentine Republic.	Egypt.	Peru.
Austria-Hungary.	France.	Portugal.
Belgium.	Germany.	Romania.
Brazil.	Greece.	Russia.
Bulgaria.	Guatemala.	Siam.
Chile.	Italy.	Spain.
China.	Japan.	Sweden.
Costa Rica.	Mexico.	Turkey.
Denmark.	Netherlands.	United States.
Ecuador.	Norway.	Venezuela.

SCHEDULE III.

Orders in Council recorded.

Date.	Subject.
14th August, 1879.	Approving new regulations for British vessels, and applying them to the vessels of certain foreign countries.
27th November, 1880.	Applying the regulations of 1879 to the vessels of certain other foreign countries.
9th September, 1884.	Applying the regulations of 1884 to French vessels.
30th December, 1884.	Applying the same regulations to the vessels of certain other foreign countries.
19th May, 1885.	Applying the same regulations to the vessels of certain other foreign countries.
9th July, 1885.	Applying the same regulations to Turkish vessels.
17th September, 1885.	Applying the same regulations to Chilean vessels.
18th August, 1882.	Approving regulations as to the lights of British steam pilot vessels.
27th November, 1896.	Approving new regulations for British ships.
7th July, 1897.	Directing that the Order of 1892 shall be construed as referring to the regulations of 1896.
7th July, 1897.	Applying the regulations of 1896 to the vessels of certain foreign countries.
1st April, 1896.	Approving new regulations for British mining vessels.

DRAFT ORDER IN COUNCIL.

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WHEREAS the Colony of Kenya is

Settlements within the meaning of

Settlements Act 1887:

WHEREAS by treaty, grant, usage,

other lawful means His

power and jurisdiction

Kenya Protectorate and

territory:

it is expedient to

regulating the safety

and convenience of navigation on and over

the waters of Lakes Victoria [Nyanza] and

Kioga as so far after defined:

NOW THEREFORE His Majesty, by

virtue and in exercise of the powers by

the British Settlements Act 1887 and the

Foreign Jurisdiction Act 1890, or other-

wise, in His Majesty vested, is pleased,

by and with the advice of His Privy

Council, to order, and it is hereby

ordered,

dered, as follows:-

1. This Order may be cited as the Lake

Victoria [Nyanza] and Kioga Navigation

Order in Council 1921.

2. In this Order and in any Regu-

lations made under this Order, unless the

context otherwise requires -

The expression "Territories within

the limits of this Order" includes the

Colony of Kenya, the Uganda Protectorate

and the Tanganyika Territory.

The expressions "Lake Victoria" and

"Lake Kioga" respectively include the

said Lakes and all their navigable

affluents, branches and outlets in the

Territories within the limits of this

Order.

The expression "vessel" includes

any kind of ship, ~~and~~ lighter, ~~and~~ or

othercraft, ~~other than a~~ ship.

The expression "Secretary of

State" means one of His Majesty's

Principal Secretaries of State.

The expression "Court of"

Competent Jurisdiction" means any

Court empowered under the respective

laws of the Territories within the

limits of this Order to impose

any offence the punishment of im-

prisonment for six months.

3. Subject to the provisions of

this Order and of any Regulations made

under this Order, vessels navigating

Lakes Victoria and Kioga shall in all

respects be subject to the law in force

in that portion of the Territories within

the limits of this Order in which they

happen from time to time.

4. Vessels may navigate Lake

Victoria and Lake Kioga subject to the

regulations contained in the Schedule

hereto, which will come into operation

at the commencement of this Order.

5. Vessels navigating Lakes Victoria

and Kioga may be required to

comply with such regulations as may be

any time made by the Governor

Regulations

into effect and shall have the right

to alter amend or revise all or any of

such Regulations as occasion may re-

quire. All such Regulations and such

alterations, amendments and revocations

thereof shall have the same force and

effect for all purposes as if the same

had been made by Order in Council and

shall come into operation in such manner

and at such date as shall be provided

by the Regulations.

6. If a person commits in

contravention of this Order, or any

Regulation made thereunder shall upon

conviction thereof be liable to a fine

not exceeding five hundred pounds

sterling and to imprisonment in the

Court of Competent Jurisdiction

may order any person who is

within the local limits of its jurisdic-

tion and is charged with an offence

against

the Colony of Kenya, the Uganda

Protectorate, or the Tanganyika

Territory, or any part thereof, before

which Court the Governor, apparently in

the circumstances, may direct, such

offence has been committed within

the local limits of the jurisdiction

of which Court.

7. The respective Governor

of the Colony of Kenya, the Uganda

Protectorate and the Tanganyika

Territory shall cause this Order

to be published in the Government Gazettes in the Schedule

of the Order.

Thereafter it shall come into operation in the

territory mentioned in the said

Order on the same day and in the same

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REGULATIONS.

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The expression "Commander" when used in relation to any of the following "Commander" means the officer in command of the vessel or the officer in charge of the vessel in respect of discipline, security and the safety of the vessel.

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relation to any of them are a person having command over a vessel, but whose relation to the same is not that of a master or owner.

relation to any vessel means the person being in charge, command or management of the vessel for the time being.

The expression "Authorized Official" means any person authorized by the Governor to carry out or to supervise the carrying out of any of the provisions of these regulations.

The expression "Under Way" applied to a vessel means that she is not at anchor nor made fast to the shore nor aground.

The word "Visible" when applied to lights
means visible on a dark night with a clear atmosphere.

PART II.

Safety Provisions.

4. During the whole time a vessel is under
way a proper person must be at the wheel or tiller
and an efficient look out kept.

5. On Lake Kipog when a lighter is being towed or pushed all deck passengers shall, as far as is practicable, remain on it and not on board the Steamer.

6. On steam vessels plying on Lake Victoria
there shall be at least two lifeboats
attached to davits, and as many buoyant deck seats,
or other buoyant apparatus as can be properly
placed, so that with the boats there will be pro-
vision for 80 per cent of the total crew one carried
on board. In addition there shall be in the case

of vessels of under 200 feet in length four life buoys and in other vessels eight lifebuoys, and a life jacket for each person on board. Provided that where, owing to the size or construction of the vessel it is unnecessary or impracticable to carry two lifeboats and davits, permission may be granted to dispense with one or both sets of davits.

7. Each steam vessel navigating Lake Kioga shall either carry on board or tow alongside a boat or boats, or good serviceable canoes sufficiently large to accommodate all Europeans on the steamer, and in addition buoyant apparatus which with the boats or canoes shall provide for 40 per cent of the total persons on board. Lifebuoys may be included in the buoyant apparatus at the rate of one lifebuoy for two persons. There shall also be provided a lifejacket for each person carried on board the steamer.

8. Fire buckets shall be kept filled with water and shall be placed in a convenient and easily accessible place.

9. Boats shall be invariably kept with the following equipment in them:

Oars, rudder and tiller, crutches, bailer and plug.

The plug shall be attached by a lanyard one end of which shall be made fast to a staple in the vicinity of the plug hole.

10. Fire and Boat stations shall be exercised

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PART III.Provisions as to lights and signals and steering and sailing.General.

11. Nothing in these rules shall exonerate any vessel, or the owner, or master, or crew thereof, from the consequences of any neglect to carry lights or signals, or of any neglect to keep a proper look out, or of the neglect of any precaution which may be required by the ordinary practice of seamen, or by the special circumstances of the case.

In obeying and construing the following regulations relating to lights and signals and steering and sailing due regard shall be had to all dangers of navigation and of collision and to any special circumstances which may render a departure from them necessary in order to avoid immediate danger.

The regulations as to lights shall be complied with in all weathers from sunset to sunrise and during such time no other lights which may be mistaken for the lights prescribed shall be exhibited.

be considered a sailing vessel, and every vessel under steam whether under sail or not shall be considered a steam vessel.

(a) On a steam vessel, the white light shall be shown in front of the stern, or on any vessel without a foremast, from the forepart of the vessel, at a height above the water of not less than 20 feet, a bright white light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of 10 points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light right ahead to 2 points abaft the beam on either side, and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least 5 miles.

(b) On the starboard side a green light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of 10 points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light right ahead to 2 points abaft the beam on the starboard side, and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least 3 miles.

(c) On the port side a red light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of 10 points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light right ahead to 2 points abaft the beam on the port side, and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least 3 miles.

(d) The main green and red side-lights shall be fitted with inboard screw-on projectors at least

3 feet forward from the light, so as to prevent these lights from being seen across the bow.

13. (a) A steam-vessel when towing another vessel shall, in addition to her side lights, carry two bright white lights in a vertical line one over the other, not less than six feet apart. Each of these lights shall be of the same construction and character, and shall be carried in the same position as the white light mentioned in Article 12 (a). Such steam-vessel may carry a white light abaft the funnel or aftermast for the vessel intended to steer by, but such light shall not be visible forward of the beam.

(b) Any vessel being pushed ahead or if there be more than one the foremost vessel or vessels of those being pushed ahead shall carry a bright white light of the same construction and character as the light mentioned in Article 12 (a) excepting that such light need only be visible for a distance of one mile.

It shall be carried at a convenient height above the hull of such vessel.

(c) The sternmost of vessels being towed astern shall show from the stern a white light of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least one mile.

14. A vessel which from any accident is not under command shall carry at the same height as the white light mentioned in Article 12 (a) where they can best be seen, and, if a steam-vessel, in

show or that 1 green and red lights, in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 5 feet apart, and of such a character as to be visible all round the vessel at a distance of at least 2 miles, and shall by day carry in a vertical line one over the other, not less than 8 feet apart, where they can best be seen, two black balls or shapes each two feet in diameter.

The vessels referred to in this Article, when not making way through the water shall not carry side-lights but when making way shall carry them. The lights and shapes required to be shown by this Article are to be given by other vessels as signals that the vessel showing them is not under command and cannot therefore get out of the way.

15. Steam-vessels of 1700 tons and upwards shall carry:-

(a). In the forepart of the vessel or under in front of the funnel, where it can best be seen, and at a height above the gunwale of not less than 9 feet, a bright white light constructed and fixed as prescribed in Article 18 (a) and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least 2 miles.

(b). Green and red side-lights constructed and fixed as prescribed in Articles 18 (b) and (c) and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least 1 mile, or a combined lantern showing a green light and a red light from right

ahead to 2 points abaft the beam on their respective sides. Such lantern shall be carried not less than 3 feet below the white light.

16. Rowing boats, whether under oars, or sails, shall have ready at hand a lantern showing a white light, which shall be temporarily exhibited in sufficient time to prevent collision.

17. A vessel which is being overtaken by another shall show from her stern to such last mentioned vessel a white light or flare-up light.

The white light required to be shown by this Article may be fixed and carried in a lantern, but in such case the lantern shall be so constructed, fitted, and screened that it shall throw an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of 12 points of the compass, viz., for 6 points from right aft on each side of the vessel, so as to be visible at a distance of at least one mile. Such light shall be carried as nearly as practicable on the same level as the side lights.

18. A vessel when at anchor, shall carry forward, where it can best be seen, but at a height not exceeding 20 feet above the hull, a white light in a lantern so constructed as to show a clear, uniform and unbroken light visible all round the horizon at a distance of at least one mile.

Steam vessels to carry whistles and bell.

19. Every steam vessel shall be provided with an efficient whistle sounded by steam or substitute

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for signal purposes, that the sound shall be
as brief as possible, and the duration of each signal
efficient shall.

23. IN fog, mist, or heavy rainstorms, whether
by day or night, the signals described in ~~the~~
~~Article~~ shall be used as follows, viz:-

(a) A steam-vessel having way upon her shall
sound, ~~continually~~ at intervals of not more than 2 minutes, a
prolonged blast.

~~See article~~ The words "prolonged blast" used in
~~this Article~~ shall mean a blast of from 4 to 6
seconds' duration.

(b) A steam-vessel under way, but stopped and
having no way upon her, shall sound, at intervals
of not more than 2 minutes, two prolonged blasts,
with an interval of about 1 second between them.

(c) A vessel when at anchor shall, at intervals
of not more than one minute, ring the bell rapidly
for about 5 seconds.

(d) Sailing vessels and boats of less than
20 tons gross tonnage shall make some efficient
sound-signals at intervals of not more than 1
minute.

(e) Whistles shall not be used by vessels
under way for any other purpose than giving warning.

(f) Long blasts at intervals of a few seconds
may be sounded to call the attention of the master
of any vessel approaching.

(g) When a steam-vessel is ~~at anchor~~
for any other reason is not under command, when
it is unsafe or impracticable to keep out ~~way~~

day or any other vessel she shall signify the same by sounding, at intervals of not more than 2 minutes, three blasts in succession, viz: one prolonged blast followed by two short blasts.

Speed of ships to be moderate in fog, etc.

21. Every vessel shall, in a fog, mist, or heavy rainstorms, go at a moderate speed, having careful regard to the existing circumstances and conditions.

A steam vessel having, apparently forward of her beam, the fog signal of a vessel the position of which is not ascertained, shall, so far as the circumstances of the case admit, stop her engines, and then navigate with caution until danger of collision is over.

Vessel approaching, another.

22. When two steam-vessels are meeting end on or nearly end on, so as to involve risk of collision, each shall alter her course to starboard, so that each may pass on the port side of the other.

This Article only applies to cases where vessels are meeting end on, in such manner as to involve risk of collision, and does not apply to two vessels which must, if both keep on their respective courses, pass clear of each other.

The only cases to which it does apply are when each of the two vessels is end on, or nearly end on, to the other; in other words, to cases in which, by day, each vessel sees the mast of the

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other in a line, or nearly in a line, with her own; and, by night, to cases in which a vessel is in such a position as to see both the side-lights of the other.

It does not apply, by day, to cases in which a vessel goes slowly ahead crossing her own course; or by night, to cases where the red light of one vessel is opposed to the red light of the other, or where the green light of one vessel is opposed to the green light of the other, or where a red light without a green light, or a green light without a red light, is seen ahead, or where both green and red lights are seen anywhere but ahead.

33. When two steam-vessels are crossing, so as to involve risk of collision, the vessel which has the other on her own starboard side shall keep out of the way of the other.

34. When a steam-vessel and a sailing-vessel are proceeding in such directions as to involve risk of collision, the steam-vessel shall keep out of the way of the sailing vessel.

35. Where by any of these rules one of two vessels is to keep out of the way, the other shall keep her course and speed.

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Sailing

~~COLLISION REGULATIONS FOR VESSELS.~~

26. When two sailing vessels are moving in each other so as to involve risk of collision, the following rules shall apply:-

(a) A vessel which is running free shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled.

(b) A vessel which is close-hauled on the port tack shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled on the starboard tack.

(c) When both are running free with the wind on different sides, the vessel which has the wind on the port side shall keep out of the way of the other.

(d) When both are running free with the wind on the same side, the vessel which is to windward shall keep out of the way of the vessel which is to leeward.

(e) A vessel which has the wind astern shall keep out of the way of the other vessel.

27. Every vessel which is directed by these rules to keep out of the way of another vessel shall, if the circumstances of the case admit, avoid crossing ahead of the other.

28. Every steam-boat which is directed by these rules to keep out of the way of another vessel shall, on approaching her if necessary slacken her speed or stop or reverse.

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Every vessel coming within sight of another vessel from any direction more than two points abaft her beam, i.e., in such a position, with reference to the vessel which she is overtaking, that at night she would be unable to see either of that vessel's side-lights, shall be deemed to be an overtaking vessel; and no subsequent alteration of the bearing between the two vessels shall make the overtaking vessel a crossing vessel within the meaning of these rules, or relieve her of the duty of keeping clear of the overtaken vessel until she is finally past and clear.

As by day the overtaking vessel cannot always know with certainty whether she is forward or abaft this direction from the other vessel, she should, if in doubt, assume that she is an overtaking vessel and keep out of the way.

30. In narrow channels steam-vessel shall when it is practicable, keep to that side of the channel which lies on the starboard bow of such vessel.

31. On Lake St. Louis when rounding points, or in sharp bends, narrow or intricate channels, or when the current is strong or for any other reason there is danger of collision, the vessel navigating against the wind must keep clear of all vessel approaching from the opposite direction.

Sound signals for vessels in sight of one another.

The words "short blasts" used in this article shall mean a blast of about one second's duration.

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Two short blasts to mean, "I am directing my course to Port".

Three short blasts to mean, "My engines are going full speed astern".



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Preliminary short title and commencement.

1. These regulations may be cited as the Lower Victoria and Kings Navigation Regulation 1916 and shall come into force at once.

Application.

2. These regulations shall be applicable to Lower Victoria and Kings except that the port or any of them may be wholly limited to any particular ports.

Definitions.

3. In these regulations the words and expressions hereinafter mentioned shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them respectively unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction.

The word "vessel" includes any ship, lighter, dredger, launch, pile driver, boat, boat or craft whatever whether navigated by steam or otherwise; the word lighter means any lighter unconstructed to carry cargo and not propelled by any power the expression "other vessel" includes any vessel propelled by machinery.

The expression "Commander" when used in relation

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Regulations.

Definitions and scope and commencement.

1. These regulations may be cited as the Lakes Victoria and Kioga Navigation Regulations and shall come into force at once.

Application.

2. These regulations shall be applicable to Lakes Victoria and Kioga except where the area or size of them are respectively limited to any particular lake.

Definitions.

3. In these regulations the words and expressions hereinafter mentioned shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them respectively unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction.

The word "Vessel" includes any ship, lighter, dredger, launch, pile driver, show boat or craft whatever whether navigated by steam or otherwise; the word lighter means any lighter constructed to carry cargo and not propelled by any power the expression "steam Vessel" includes any vessel propelled by machinery.

The expression "Commander" when used in relation

relative to any vessel means the person in charge, command or management of the vessel for the time being.

The expression "authorised official" means any person authorised by the GOVERNOR to carry out or to supervise the carrying out of any of the provisions of these regulations.

The expression "Under way" applied to a vessel means that she is not at anchor nor made fast to the shore nor aground.

The word "Visible" when applied to lights means visible on a dark night with a clear atmosphere.

PART VI.

Safety Provisions.

4. During the whole time a vessel is under way a proper person shall be at the wheel or tiller and an efficient look out kept.

5. On lake-roads when a lighter is being towed or pushed off deck passengers shall, so far as is practicable, remain on it and not on board the steamer.

6. On steam vessels plying on Lake Victoria Nyanza there shall be at least two lifeboats attached to davits, and as many buoyant deck seats or other buoyant apparatus as can be properly placed, so that with the boats there will be pro-

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The expression "Under Way" means that any person authorized by written regulations or to summarize the regulations, may be provisions of these regulations.

The expression "Under Way" applied to a vessel means that she is not at anchor nor made fast to the shore nor aground.

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PART II.

Safety Provisions.

4. During the whole time a vessel is under way a proper watch is to be at the wheel of all rudder and tiller boats kept.

5. On the bridge when a lighter is being secured or unsecured a deck passenger shall, as far as practicable, remain on it and remain until the lighter is secured.

6. On Lake Ontario & Lake Victoria Kivu there shall be at least two lifeboats balanced, serviceable and in good working order, which can be properly armed and equipped for a long voyage.

7. When the commandant of the vessel is on board he shall remain while the vessel is

of vessels of more than four feet in length four life buoys and in other vessels eight lifebuoys, and a life boat for each person on board. Provided that where, owing to the size or construction of the vessel it is impossible to carry two lifeboats, by written permission may be granted to carry one, or both boats or davits.

7. Each steam vessel navigating Lake Niaga shall either carry on board or have alongside a boat or boats, or good serviceable canoes sufficient large to accommodate all Europeans on the steamer, and in addition buoyant apparatus which will support or dangers shall provide for 40 per cent of total persons on board. Lifebuoys may be by air or buoyant apparatus at the rate of one for two persons. There shall also be provided a lifejacket for each person carried on board the steamer.

8. Fire buckets shall be kept filled with water and shall be placed in a convenient and easily accessible place.

9. Boats shall be invariably kept with the oil or any equipment in them.

Boat, 1900 ft. long, 11' 6" wide, 3' 6" deep and 22 ft.

The boat shall be attached by a lanyard which shall be made fast to a staple in the deck, well away from the hull.

10. Every boat containing shall be provided

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and the following regulations shall be observed by all steam vessels navigating the coast of the United States.

PART III.

Provisions as to lights and signals and
steering and sailing.

General.

Nothing in these rules shall exonerate
any master, or the owner, or master, or crew there-
of, from the consequences of any neglect to carry
lights or signals, or of any neglect to keep a
proper look out, or of the neglect of any precaution
which may be required by the ordinary practice of
seamen, or by the special circumstances of the
case.

In obeying and construing the following
regulations relating to lights and signals and
steering and sailing due regard shall be had to all
dangers of navigation and of collision and to
any special circumstances which may render a
departure from them necessary in order to avoid
immediate danger.

The regulations as to lights shall be
complied with in all weather from sunset to sunrise
and during such time no other lights which may be
misleading for the lights prescribed shall be
exhibited.

In the following regulations every steam
vessel which is under sail and not under steam shall
be considered

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18. (a) A steamer
carrying or in front
vessel without a fore
prop of the vessel, at nightight as the hull or net
less than 25 feet. a bright white light, so
constructed as to show an 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 vessel, viz., from right ahead to 2
points abeam the beam on either side, and of such
a character as to be visible at a distance of at
least 5 miles.

(b) On the starboard side a green light, so
constructed as to show an 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 abeam the beam on the starboard side, and of
such a character as to be visible at a distance of at
least 2 miles.

(c) On the port side a red light, so con-
structed as to show an 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 abeam the beam on the port side, and of
such a character as to be visible at a distance of
at least 2 miles.

(d) The said green and red side-lights shall
be fitted with inboard screens projecting at least

4 feet forward from the light, so as to prevent these lights from being seen across the bow.

13. (a) A steam-vessel when towing another vessel shall, in addition to her side lights, carry two bright white lights in a vertical line one over the other, not less than six feet apart. Each of these lights shall be of the same construction and character, and shall be carried in the same position as the white light mentioned in Article 12 (a). Such steam-vessel may carry a white light abaft the funnel or aftermost for the vessel towed to steer by, but such light shall not be visible forward of the beam.

(b) Any vessel being pushed ahead or if there be more than one the foremost vessel or vessels of those being pushed ahead shall carry a bright white light of the same construction and character as the light mentioned in article 12 (a) excepting that such light need only be visible for a distance of one mile.

It shall be carried at a convenient height above the hull of such vessel.

(c) The sternmost of a vessel being towed astern shall show from the stern a white light of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least one mile.

14. A vessel which from any accident is not under command shall carry at the same height as the white light mentioned in Article 12 (a) where they can best be seen, and, if a steam-vessel, in

and shall be visible all round.
the horizon at a distance of least 1 mile and
shall be day and night visible for a distance of
other not less than 4 fathoms, whenever such
vessel may be seen. Two black balls or shapes
shall be shown, each not less than 12 feet in diameter.

The vessels mentioned in this Article,
when not making way through the water shall not
carry side-lights but when making way shall carry
them. The lights and shades required to be shown
by this Article, are to be taken by other vessels
as signals that the vessel showing them is not
under command and cannot therefore get out of the
way.

15. Steam-vessels of less than 40 tons will
carry:-

In the forepart of the vessel or on or in
front of the funnel, where it can best be seen, a
white light above a gunwale or not less than
9 feet, 1 bright white light constructed and
placed in such a position as to be visible
at a distance of not less than 1 mile, or such a
distance as to be visible at a distance of not
less than 2 miles.

Green and red side-lights are to be
carried and prescribed in Article 12, Part 3
and of such a character as to be visible at a
distance of not less than 1 mile. A lamp consisting
of two small lights one red and one green and

aboa to 2 points aboit the beam on their respective sides. Such lantern shall be carried not less than 5 feet below the white light.

16. Dhow and Rowing boats, whether under oars, or sails, shall have ready at hand a lantern showing a white light, which shall be temporarily exhibited in sufficient time to prevent collision.

17. A vessel which is being overtaken by another shall show from her stern to such last mentioned vessel, a white light or flare-up light.

The white light required to be shown by this article may be fixed and carried in a lantern, but so constructed that the lantern shall be so constructed, fitted, and mounted that it shall throw an unbroken light over a circle of the horizon of 12 points of the compass, viz., for 6 points from right aft on each side of the vessel, so as to be visible at a distance of at least one mile. Such light shall be carried as nearly as practicable on the same level as the other lights.

18. A vessel when at anchor, shall carry forward, where it can best be seen, but at a height not exceeding 10 feet above the hull, a white light on a lantern so constructed as to show a clear, uniform and unbroken light visible all round the horizon at a distance of at least one mile.

Steam vessels to carry white light

Steam vessels shall be prohibited from carrying whistling mounted by steam or substitute

for steam so placed that the sound shall not be interrupted by any obstruction, and also with an efficient bell.

86. In fog, mist, or heavy rainstorms, whether by day or night, the signals described in this Article shall be used as follows, viz:-

(a) A steam-vessel having way upon her shall sound, at intervals of not more than 3 minutes, a prolonged blast.

By the words "prolonged blast" used in this Article shall mean a blast of from 4 to 6 seconds' duration.

(b) A steam-vessel under way, but stopped and having no way upon her, shall sound, at intervals of not more than 3 minutes, two prolonged blasts, with an interval of about 1 second between them.

(c) A vessel when at anchor shall, at intervals of not more than one minute, ring the bell rapidly for about 5 seconds.

(d) Sailing vessels and boats of less than 20 tons gross tonnage shall make some efficient sound-signals at intervals of not more than 1 minute.

(e) Whistles shall not be used by vessels under way for any other purpose than giving warning.

(f) Long blasts at intervals of a few seconds may be sounded to call the attention of the master of any vessel approaching.

(g) When a steam-vessel is turning round or for any other reason is not under command or when it is unsafe or impracticable to keep out of the

of the other vessel and shall signify the same by sounding, at intervals of not more than two minutes, three and a half successive blasts: one prolonged blast followed by two short blasts.

Speed of ships to be moderate in fog, etc.

31. Every vessel shall, in a fog, mist, or heavy rainstorm, go at a moderate speed, having careful regard to the existing circumstances and conditions.

A steam vessel having, apparently forward of her beam, the fog signal of a vessel, the position of which is not ascertained, shall, so far as the circumstances of the case admit, stop her engines, and then navigate with caution until danger of collision is over.

32. When two steam-vessels are meeting end on or nearly end on, so as to involve risk of collision, each shall alter her course to starboard, so that each may pass on the port side of the other.

This article only applies to cases where vessels are meeting end on, in such manner as to involve risk of collision, and does not apply to two vessels which must, if both keep on their respective courses, pass clear of each other.

The only cases to which it does apply are when each of the two vessels is end on, or nearly end on, to the other; in other words, to cases in which, by day, each vessel sees the masts of the

other in a line, or nearly in a line, with her own; and, by night, to cases in which each vessel is in such a position as to see both the side-lights of the other.

It does not apply, by day, to cases in which a vessel sees another ship in her own course; or by night, to cases where the light of one vessel is opposed to the red light of the other, or where the green light of one vessel is opposed to the green light of the other, or a red light without a green light, or a green light without a red light. It does not apply where green and red lights are seen anywhere else.

23. When two steam-vessels are proceeding in such directions as to involve risk of collision, the vessel to the other on her own starboard side shall keep out of the way of the other.

24. When a steam-vessel and a sailing-vessel are proceeding in such directions as to involve risk of collision, the steam-vessel shall keep out of the way of the sailing-vessel.

25. Where by any of these rules one of the vessels is to keep out of the way, the other shall keep her course and speed.

NOTE:- When in consequence of thick weather or other causes, such vessel finds herself so situated that collision cannot be avoided by the action of the giving-way vessel alone, she also shall take such action as will best aid to avert collision.

- (a) A vessel which is running free shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled.
- (b) A vessel which is close-hauled on the port tack shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled on the starboard tack.
- (c) When both are running free with the wind on different sides, the vessel which has the wind on the port side shall keep out of the way of the other.
- (d) When both are running free with the wind on the same side, the vessel which is to windward shall keep out of the way of the vessel which is to leeward.
- (e) A vessel which has the wind astern shall keep out of the way of the other vessel.
- (f) Every vessel which is directed by those rules to keep out of the way of another vessel shall, if the circumstances of the case so demand, avoid crossing ahead of the other.
- (g) Every steam-vessel which is directed by those rules to keep out of the way of another vessel, on approaching her if necessary shall give speed by stop or reverse.

shall keep out of the way of

every vessel coming
vessel from any direction more
abreast her beam, f. e., in such
reference to the vessel which
that at night she would be
the vessel's side-lights,
an overtaking vessel; and
of the bearing between the
the overtaking vessel a crossing
meeting of these rules, or
of keeping clear of the overtaking
is finally past and clear.

As by day the overtaking
always know with certainty whether
or abreast this direction from
should, if in doubt, assume
taking vessel and keep out of

30. In narrow channels
when it is safe and practicable
abreast side of the fairway or
on the starboard side of such

31. In general keep room
in which to turn, & in which
from the other vessel, to
make way for another
vessel approaching from astern
and all other vessels in navigation.

Sound signals for vessels in sight of one another.

The words "short blasts" used in this article shall mean a blast of about one second's duration.

38. When vessels are in sight of one another, a steam-vessel under way, in taking any course authorized or required by these rules, shall indicate that course by the following signals on her whistle or siren, viz:-.

One short blast to mean, "I am directing my course to Starboard".

Two short blasts to mean, "I am directing my course to Port".

Three short blasts to mean, "My engines are going full speed astern".

DRAFT ORDER IN COUNCIL.

Review of Navigation on Lakes Victoria and Kioga.

WHICHAS the Colony of Kenya is a British Settlement within the meaning of the British Settlements Act 1887:

AND WHICHAS by treaty, grant, usage, sufferance and other lawful means His Majesty the King has power and jurisdiction within the Uganda Protectorate and the Tanganyika Territory;

AND WHICHAS it is expedient to make provision for regulating the safety and control of navigation on and over the waters of Lakes Victoria Nyanza and Kioga as hereinafter defined:

NOW THEREFORE His Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers by the British Settlements Act 1887 and the Foreign Jurisdiction Act 1890, or otherwise, in His Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby

ordered

ordered, as follows:-

1. This Order may be cited as the

Victoria, Bynum and King's invitation

Order in Council 1971.

2. In this Order and in any Report

context otherwise requires.

The expression "territories within the limits of this Order" includes the Colony of Kenya, the Uganda Protectorate and the Tanganyika Territory.

The expression "Lake Victoria" and
"Lake Kagera" respectively include the
said Lakes and all their navigable
affluents, branches and outlet; in the
Territories within the limits of this
Order.

The expression "vessel" includes
any kind of ship boat lighter gauge or
other raft, other than a mobile ship.

The expression "Secretary of State" means one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Regulations for carrying this Order into effect and may from time to time alter amend or revoke all or any of such Regulations as occasion may require. All such Regulations and such alterations amendments and revocations thereof shall have the same force and effect for all purposes as if the same had been made by Order in Council, and shall come into operation in such manner and on such date as shall be provided by such Regulations.

6. Every person who acts in contravention of this Order or of any Regulation made thereunder shall upon conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding a sum of five thousand rupees or more than one month's imprisonment or both.

7. This Order may from time to time be varied or revoked or suspended within the local limits of the jurisdiction and is charged with all offences against

against this Order or any Regulation made thereunder committed in any part of the Territories within the limits of this Order to be brought before it, and enquire of her and determine such charge as if each offence had been committed within the local limits of the jurisdiction of such Court.

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6. Every person who acts in contravention of this Article or of any Regulations made thereunder shall upon conviction be liable to a penalty not exceeding £¹⁰⁰ or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months.

7. Any person who commits an offence within the local limits of his jurisdiction and is charged with an offence

against this Order or any Regulation made thereunder committed in any part of the Territories within the limits of this Order to be brought before it, and enquire of how and determine such charge as if such offence had been committed within the local limits of the jurisdiction of such Court.

The respective Governors of the Provinces of Bihar, Bengal and Orissa, and the Commissioner of the Jumna Sagar Project, shall be responsible for the execution of the provisions contained in the said Article.

His Majesty may from time

to time across either or both the

SCHEDULE.REGULATIONS.Preliminary short title and commencement.

1. These regulations may be cited as the Lakes Victoria and Kioga navigation regulations 1914, and shall come into force at once.

Application.

2. These regulations shall be applicable to Lakes Victoria and Kioga except where the same or any of them are expressly limited to any particular lake.

Definitions.

3. In these regulations the words and expressions herein after mentioned shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them respectively unless there be something in the subject or context repugnant to such construction.

The word "vessel" includes any ship, barge, dredger, launch, pile driver, show boat or craft whether navigating by steam or otherwise; the word lighter means any lighter unengaged to carry cargo and not propelled by any power; the expression "steam vessel" includes any vessel propelled by steam.

The expression "Commander" is used in relation

relation to any vessel means "the person being in charge, command or management of the vessel for the time being."

The expression "Authorised Official" means any person authorised by the Governor to carry out or to supervise the carrying out of any of the provisions of these regulations.

The expression "Under Way" applied to a vessel means that she is not at anchor nor made fast to the shore nor aground.

The word "Visible" when applied to lights means visible on a dark night with a clear atmosphere.

PART II.

Safety Provisions.

4. During the whole time a vessel is under way a proper person must be at the wheel or tiller and an efficient look out kept.

5. On Lake Kioga when a lighter is being towed or pushed all deck passengers shall, so far as is practicable, remain on it and not on board the steamer.

6. On steam vessels plying on Lake Victoria Nyanza there shall be at least two lifeboats attached to davits, and as many buoyant deck seats, or other buoyant apparatus as can be properly arranged, so that with the boats there will be provided for 80 per cent of the total persons carried on board. In addition there shall be in the case

or vessels of under 300 feet in length four life buoys and in other vessels eight lifebuoys, and a life jacket for each person on board. Provided that where, owing to the size or construction of the vessel it is unnecessary or impracticable to carry two lifeboats under davits, permission may be granted to dispense with one or both sets of davits.

7. Each steam vessel navigating Lake Nioga shall either carry on board or tow alongside a boat or boats, or good serviceable canoes sufficient large to accommodate all Europeans on the steamer, and in addition buoyant apparatus which with the boats or canoes shall provide for 40 per cent of the total persons on board. Lifebuoys may be included in the buoyant apparatus at the rate of one lifebuoy for two persons. There shall also be provided a lifejacket for each person carried on board the steamer.

8. Fire buckets shall be kept filled with water and shall be placed in a convenient and easily accessible place.

9. Boats shall be invariably kept with the following equipment in them:

Care, rudder and tiller, crutches, bailer and plug.

The plug shall be attached by a lanyard one end of which shall be made fast to a staple in the vicinity of the plug hole.

10. Fire and Boat stations shall be exercised

Provisions for lights and signals and
steering and safety.

General.

11. Nothing in these rules shall exonerate any vessel, or the owner, or master, or crew thereof, from the consequences of any neglect to keep lights or signals, or of any neglect to have a proper look out, or of the neglect of any provision which may be required by the ordinary practice of seafarers, or by the special circumstances of the case.

In applying and interpreting the following provisions relative to lights and signals and steering and safety the regard shall be had to all conditions of navigation and of collision and to any special circumstances which may render a departure from the rules necessary in order to avoid imminent danger.

12. Departure from the lights shall be permitted when it can be shown that it is necessary and that there are no other lights which may be mistaken for the lights prescribed or in question.

be considered a sailing vessel, and every vessel under steam whether under sail or not shall be considered a steam vessel.

13. (a) A steam vessel when under way shall carry on or in front of the foremast, or if a vessel without a foremast, then in the forepart of the vessel, at a height above the hull of not less than 30 feet, a bright white light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of 20 points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to 2 points abaft the beam on either side, and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least 3 miles.

(b) On the starboard side a green light, so constructed as to show an 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 at a distance of at least 3 miles.

(c) On the port side a red light, so constructed as to show an 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 at a distance of at least 3 miles.

(d) The said green and red side-lights shall be fitted with inward screens projecting at least

5 feet

3 feet forward from the light, so as to prevent these lights from being seen across the bow.

13. (a) A steam-vessel when towing another vessel shall, in addition to her side lights, carry two bright white lights in a vertical line one over the other, not less than six feet apart. Each of these lights shall be of the same construction and character, and shall be carried in the same position as the white light mentioned in Article 12 (a). Such steam-vessel may carry a white light abaft the funnel or aftermost for the vessel towed to steer by, but such light shall not be visible forward of the beam.

(b) Any vessel being pushed ahead or if there be more than one the foremost vessel or vessels of those being pushed ahead shall carry a bright white light of the same construction and character as the light mentioned in Article 12 (a) excepting that such light need only be visible for a distance of one mile.

It shall be carried at a convenient height above the hull of such vessel.

(c) The sternmost of a vessel being towed astern shall show from the stern a white light of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least one mile.

14. A vessel which from any accident is not under command shall carry at the same height as the white light mentioned in Article 12 (a), where they can best be seen, and, if a steam-vessel, in

shead to 8 points abft the beam on their respective sides. Such lantern shall be carried not less than 3 feet below the white light.

16. Drive and Rowing-boats - the oars, or sails, shall have a lantern showing a white light, which shall be exhibited in sufficient time to be seen at least one mile.

17. A vessel sailing by day, and the sun is not visible, shall exhibit such last mentioned lantern, and a red light.

The words "The words of this Article shall apply to all vessels, but in proportion to the size of the vessel, a light equal to that of the compass, viz., one light on each side, at the same distance of 30 feet, shall be carried as required as the side lights."

18. A vessel sailing forward, where it can be done without exceeding 20 feet above the horizon, in a lantern so constructed as to show a uniform and unbroken light visible all round the horizon at a distance of at least one mile.

Steam vessels to carry whistles.

19. Every steam vessel shall be provided with an efficient whistle sounded by steam or substitute

or stem so placed that the sound shall not be interrupted by any obstruction, and also with an efficient bell.

50. IN FOG, MIST, OR BY RUMINATIONS, WHETHER BY DAY OR NIGHT, THE SIGNALS DESCRIBED IN THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE USED AS FOLLOWS, VIZ:-

(a) A steam-vessel having way upon her shall sound, at intervals of not more than 2 minutes, a prolonged blast.

NOTICE: By the words "prolonged blast" used in this Article shall mean a blast of from 4 to 8 seconds' duration.

(b) A steam-vessel under way, but stopped and having no way upon her, shall sound, at intervals of not more than 2 minutes, two prolonged blasts, with an interval of about 1 second between them.

(c) A vessel when at anchor shall, at intervals of not more than one minute, ring the bell rapidly for about 5 seconds.

(d) Sailing vessels and boats of less than 20 tons gross tonnage shall make some efficient soundings at intervals of not more than 1 minute.

(e) Whistles shall not be used by vessels under way for any other purpose than giving warning.

(f) Long blast at intervals of a few seconds may be used to call the attention of the master of any vessel approaching.

(g) When a steam-vessel is turning about or for any other reason is not under command or when it is impossible or impracticable to keep out of the way

way of any other vessel she shall signify the same by sounding, at intervals of not more than 3 minutes, three blasts in succession, viz: one prolonged blast followed by two short blasts.

Speed of ships to be moderate in fog, etc.

31. Every vessel shall, in a fog, mist, or heavy rainstorm, go at a moderate speed, having careful regard to the existing circumstances and conditions.

A steam vessel having, apparently forward of her beam, the fog signal of a vessel the position of which is not ascertained, shall, so far as the circumstances of the case admit, stop her engines, and then navigate with caution until danger of collision is over.

32. When two steam vessels are meeting end on or nearly end on, so as to involve risk of collision, each shall alter her course to starboard, so that each may pass on the port side of the other.

This Article only applies to cases where vessels are meeting end on, in such manner as to involve risk of collision, and does not apply to two vessels which must, if both keep on their respective courses, pass clear of each other.

The only cases to which it does apply are when each of the two vessels is end on, or nearly end on, to the other; in other words, to cases in which, by day, each vessel sees the wake of the other.

ether in a line, or nearly in a line, with her own; and, by night, to cases in which each vessel is in such a position as to see both the side-lights of the other.

It does not apply, by day, to cases in which a vessel sees another ahead crossing her own course; or by night, to cases where the red light of one vessel is opposed to the red light of the other, or where the green light of one vessel is opposed to the green light of the other, or where a red light without a green light, or a green light without a red light, is seen ahead, or where both green and red lights are seen anywhere but ahead.

33. When two steam-vessels are crossing so as to involve risk of collision, the vessel which has the other on her own starboard side shall keep out of the way of the other.

34. When ~~one~~ a vessel and a sailing-vessel are proceeding in such directions as to involve risk of collision, the steam-vessel shall keep out of the way of the sailing vessel.

35. Where by any of these rules one of two vessels is to keep out of the way, the other shall keep her course and speed.

NOTE:- When in consequence of thick weather or other causes, such vessel finds herself so close that collision cannot be avoided by the action of the giving-way vessel alone, she shall take such action as will best avert collision.

Sailing vessels approaching one another.

26. When two sailing vessels are approaching each other so as to involve risk of collision, the following rule shall apply.

(a) A vessel which is running free shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled.

(b) A vessel which is close-hauled on the port tack shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled on the starboard tack.

(c) When both are running free with the wind on different sides, the vessel which has the wind on the port side shall keep out of the way of the other.

(d) When both are running free with the wind on the same side, the vessel which is to windward shall keep out of the way of the vessel which is to leeward.

(e) A vessel which has the wind aft shall keep out of the way of the other vessel.

27. Every vessel which is directed by these rules to keep out of the way of another vessel shall, if the circumstances of the case admit avoid crossing ahead of the other.

28. Every steam-vessel which is directed by these rules to keep out of the way of another vessel shall, on approaching her if necessary slacken her speed or stop or reverse.

29. Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, every vessel overtaking any other shall

shall keep out of the way of the overtaking vessel.
Every vessel coming up with another
should from any circumstance have given the latter
sight her head, i.e., if such a position
of reference to the vessel while it is overtaking
that at night she has the right of way, or
any vessel which is likely to be overtaken
or the overtaking vessel do request alight
or the headlight of the overtaking vessel within
the meaning of the rules, or relieve her of the duty
of keeping clear of the overtaking vessel until
it is finally passed.

As by definition overtaking vessel cannot
always know with certainty whether she is forward
or astern the direction from the other vessel,
she should, if in doubt, assume that she is an over-
taking vessel and keep out of the way.

III. IN NARROW CHANNELS every steam-vessel
should when it is safe and practicable keep to
the outer edge of the channel which lies
on the side of the narrowest part of the channel
and when so doing, (in the narrowest part)
keep up a sharp lookout, or
when so doing, or for any other reason
when so doing, by day
against the steamer most likely to be
approaching from the opposite direction.

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sound signals for vessels in sight of one another.

The words "short blasts" used in this article shall mean a blast of about one second's duration.

52. When vessels are in sight of one another, a steam-vessel under way, in saving any course authorised or required by these rules, shall indicate that course by the following signals on her whistle or siren, viz:-

One short blast to mean, "I am about to alter

my course to Starboard".

Two short blasts to mean "I am about to alter my course to Port".

Three short blasts to mean, "I am about to go full speed astern".