

Regulation 19

Use of the Automatic Pilot

- (a) In areas of high traffic density, in conditions of restricted visibility and in all other hazardous navigational situations where the automatic pilot is used it shall be possible to establish human control of the ship's steering immediately.
- (b) In circumstances as above, it shall be possible for the officer of the watch to have available without delay the services of a qualified helmsman who shall be ready at all times to take over steering control.
- (c) The changeover from automatic to manual steering and vice versa shall be made by or under the supervision of a responsible officer.

Regulation 20

Nautical Publications

All ships shall carry adequate and up-to-date charts, sailing directions, lists of lights, notices to mariners, tide tables and all other nautical publications necessary for the intended voyage.

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RESOLUTION A.147(ES.IV)

REPORTS ON ACCIDENTS INVOLVING SIGNIFICANT SPILLAGES OF OIL

The Assembly,

For the purpose of promoting rapid action by the governments concerned in cases of significant spillages of oil following accidents,

Having in mind the recommendation of the Council of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization at its third extraordinary session,

Recommends to governments that they:

- (a) require masters of all ships to report immediately through the channels which may be found most practicable and adequate under the circumstances, all accidents in which their ships are involved which have given or may give rise to significant spillages of oil. Such reports should, if possible, include details on the nature and degree of pollution, the movement of the oil slick and any other useful information as appropriate;
- (b) appoint an appropriate officer or agency to whom such information may be referred. Such officer or agency would also be responsible for transmission of relevant details to all other governments concerned;
- (c) ensure that any such reports received by any authority in the country be forwarded to such an officer or agency with all despatch;

- (d) provide the Organization with information concerning the appointment of such officer or agency for circulation to governments.

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RESOLUTION A.148(ES.IV)

NATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEALING WITH
SIGNIFICANT SPILLAGES OF OIL

The Assembly,

For the purpose of promoting rapid action by the governments concerned in cases of significant spillages of oil following accidents,

Having in mind the recommendation of the Council of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization at its third extraordinary session,

Recommends to governments that they implement such national arrangements as to enable them to deal with significant spillages of oil from ships. These may include the establishment of emergency ports, equipped with the necessary facilities for emergency operations.

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RESOLUTION A.149(ES.IV)

REGIONAL CO-OPERATION IN DEALING WITH
SIGNIFICANT SPILLAGES OF OIL

The Assembly,

Being aware of the value of regional co-operation between governments in cases of significant spillages of oil involving or threatening several countries,

Having been informed of the progress made in this respect by the North Sea countries on the initiative of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany,

Invites the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany to consider bringing the outcome of the present discussions to the attention of governments through the Organization so that, whenever suitable, similar co-operation be established in other sea areas,

Recommends that the Organization be kept informed and consulted as necessary on matters concerning such regional co-operation.

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