Regulations of 1 July 2014 No. 956 on additional safety measures for bulk carriers

Legal basis: Laid down by the Norwegian Maritime Authority on 1 July 2014 under the Act of 16 February 2007 No. 9 relating to ship safety and security (Ship Safety and Security Act) sections 6, 9, 11, 12 and 43, cf. Royal Decree of 16 February 2007 No. 171 and Formal Delegation of 31 May 2007 No. 590 by the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Fisheries.

Amendments: Amended by Regulation of 15 September 2014 No. 1218.

Section 1

Scope of application

These Regulations apply to Norwegian cargo ships of 500 gross tonnage and upwards engaged on foreign voyages, which primarily carry dry cargo in bulk.

Section 2

Requirements for additional safety measures for bulk carriers

The International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS) consolidated edition 2009, chapter XII, shall apply as regulation.

Section 3

Exemptions

The Norwegian Maritime Authority may upon written application permit other solutions, when it is established that such solutions are equivalent to the requirements of these Regulations.

The Norwegian Maritime Authority may exempt ships which in exceptional circumstances are required to undertake a single international voyage from one or more of the requirements of these Regulations, when the company applies for such exemption in writing and one of the following requirements is met:

- a) it is established that the requirement is not essential and that the exemption is justifiable in terms of safety;
- b) it is established that compensating measures will maintain the same level of safety as the requirement of these Regulations.

Section 4

Entry into force

These Regulations enter into force on 15 September 2014.