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By Command.

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REGULATIONS

Made on the 5th day of December, 1901, by the Governor in Council, under section 42 sub-sections 8 and 9 of The Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance, 1891, (Ordinance 26 of 1891), with regard to the disposal of ashes from ships within the Harbour Limits.

1. All ships within the Harbour Limits shall dispose of the ashes from their boiler or other furnaces by discharging the same into the boats of the Ashes Contractor and in no other way.
2. No vessels or boat of any description not authorized therefor by the Ashes Contractor shall receive ashes discharged from the boiler or other furnaces of ships within the Harbour Limits.
3. Ships requiring an ash boat or boats for the discharge of ashes shall hoist flag *H* of the Commercial Code.
4. Steam-launches requiring to discharge ashes shall either hoist the said flag signal for an ash boat or boats, or may go alongside one of the ash boats of the Ashes Contractor stationed for the reception of ashes from steam-launches, and there discharge.
5. The master of any ship or steam-launch from which any ashes shall be discharged within the Harbour Limits otherwise than into the boats of the Ashes Contractor, and any person who shall commit any breach of these regulations shall be liable upon summary conviction before a Magistrate to a penalty not exceeding two hundred dollars or to imprisonment for not more than six months.

Conditions on which the exclusive privilege of receiving the ashes from ships within the harbour will be granted.

1. To provide boats of a description to be approved by the Harbour Master and sufficient in number for the reception of all ashes required to be discharged from ships within the Harbour Limits.
2. To send an ash boat or boats as may be sufficient without delay alongside every ship within the Harbour Limits whenever such ship shall make the regulation signal (viz., flag *H* of the Commercial Code) that she requires to discharge ashes.
3. To receive into such boat or boats without delay all ashes required to be discharged from such ship.
4. To provide boats of a description to be approved by the Harbour Master and at such stations in number within the waters of the Colony as may be decided on by the Harbour Master for the purpose of receiving, and receive without delay the ashes from all steam-launches coming alongside and requiring to discharge the same.
5. No portion of the ashes discharged into the ash boats shall be emptied into the waters of the Colony.
6. In these conditions "Ashes" shall mean and include all refuse whatever from ship's boiler or other furnaces.
7. The premium to be paid for the privilege to be paid in monthly instalments in advance on the first day of each calendar month.
8. The Governor reserves to himself the right to determine the grant on default of punctual payment of any instalment or on breach of any of these conditions.

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