EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

No. 445.

Hong Kong.

ORDINANCE No. 10 of 1899. (MERCHANT SHIPPING).

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 37 of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, the Governor in Council makes the undermentioned further additions to and amendment of Table E in the Schedule to the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899:—

Additions.

Add to the regulations in Table E:--

- 42. No motor boat shall, except with the permission in writing of the Harbour Master, ply for hire at or receive any passenger from any public pier or wharf, or lie or moor or anchor within a distance of one hundred yards from any public pier or wharf: Provided that nothing in this regulation shall operate to prohibit the landing of any passenger at a public wharf or pier or the mooring of any motor boat alongside any private pier or wharf which may be at a distance of less than one hundred yards from any public pier or wharf: And Provided also that this regulation shall not apply to any motor boat on an occasion when it has been hired beforehand solely for picnic or like pleasure purposes or to any motor boat which has been licensed by the Governor to use public piers or wharves or any of them and which is using or about to use the same in accordance with such licence.
- 43. Notwithstanding anything contained in regulation 24 of these regulations there shall be payable to the Harbour Master by the holder of every permit granted under the preceding regulation a fee of Five dollars for every month or part of a month for which such permit shall be issued.

Every permit shall at all times, except when otherwise provided by law, be kept on board the motor boat for which it is issued, and shall be produced on demand to any harbour, police or revenue officer.

Every permit shall be subject to cancellation at the discretion of the Harbour Master.

44. The following is the maximum scale of hire for motor boats within Harbour limits irrespective of the number of passengers carried:—

Period.	Between 7 a.m. and midnight.	Between midnight and 7 a.m.
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Not exceeding 30 minutes	1.20	1.40
Exceeding 30 minutes but not exceeding 45 minutes	1.80	2.10
Exceeding 45 minutes but not exceeding one hour	2.20	2.60
Exceeding one hour but not exceeding one and a half hours	3.00	3.30
For every subsequent hour or part of an hour	2.00	2.20
Waiting time, with engine shut off, for every quarter hour or part thereof	0.30	0.40

The periods, other than waiting time, shall be calculated from the time of starting the engine until the time when the motor boat could return to the place of hiring.

Waiting time shall be deducted from the gross period of the trip and shall be paid for at the prescribed rate.

A copy of this regulation shall be exhibited in every motor boat plying for hire.

Amendment.

In regulation 13 in Table E delete the words "and motor boats".

D. W. TRATMAN,

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Council Chamber, 30th June, 1932.