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REGULATIONS

MADE UNDER

THE RIVER NAVIGATION ORDINANCE,

(Chapter 128).

UNDER SECTION 7 OF THE RIVER NAVIGATION ORDINANCE AS AMENDED BY SECTION 3 OF THE RIVER NAVIGATION (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 1944, THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE COMMISSIONER OF LANDS AND MINES WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the River Navigation (Amendment) Regulations, 1947, and shall be construed with the River Navigation Regulations, 1924, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Regulations.

2. The Principal Regulations are hereby amended by the addition after Regulation 26 of the following Regulations:

"Provisions where vessels or boats navigate certain portions of the Demerara, Essequibo and Berbice rivers. 26A. (1) Except as hereinafter provided in this regulation, every vessel or boat when navigating the Demerara River below Mackenzie, the Essequibo River below Bartica, or the Berbice River below Kwakwani, shall be in charge of a person duly licensed under the Harbours Regulations, 1939, to act as master of a vessel in a harbour.

(2) Any person guilty of a breach of this regulation shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars or to imprisonment for two months.

(3) The provisions of this regulation shall not apply—

- (a) to any officer of the Royal Navy; or
 - (b) to any naval officer of any foreign power;
- or**

- (c) to any person holding a certificate of competency, issued by any competent authority outside the Colony, for the particular type of vessel or boat being navigated; or

- (d) to fishing vessels or boats under 10 tons burden not propelled by machinery; or
- (e) to vessels or boats not propelled by machinery belonging to and used solely by farmers and not carrying passengers or goods for hire or reward.

Speed limits for vessels or boats navigating the Demerara River.

26B. (1) Except with the special permission of the Harbour Master, no vessel or boat having an overall length of more than 50 feet shall be navigated—

- (a) in any part of the Demerara River, at a speed exceeding 10 knots; or
- (b) in that portion of the Demerara River between the lower boundary of Plantation Providence and the upper boundary of Craig (and defined by public notice there erected of the speed restriction under this paragraph), or within such other portions of the said river as may from time to time be prescribed by the Governor in Council by notice published in the *Gazette*, at a speed exceeding 5 knots.

(2) Any person guilty of a breach of this regulation shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars or to imprisonment for two months”.

3. Regulation 49 of the Principal Regulations as substituted by regulation 4 of the River Navigation (Amendment) Regulations, 1945*, is hereby amended by the deletion of the words “or more” in paragraph (a) of sub-regulation (3) thereof.

Made this 30th day of August, 1947.

G. A. MOORHEAD,
Commissioner of Lands and Mines.

Approved in Council this 30th day of August, 1947.

JOHN C. MALONE,
Clerk to the Executive Council.

*No. 34 of 1945.
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