

Navigation (Deck Cargo) Regulations (Amendment) 1991 No. 374

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

STATUTORY RULES 1991 No. 374

Issued by the authority of the Minister for Shipping and Aviation Support

Navigation Act 1912

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Section 425 of the *Navigation Act 1912* (the Act) provides that the Governor-General may make regulations for the purposes of the Act. Other provisions of the Act set out many matters in respect of which provision is to be made by the regulations. Under regulations made pursuant to this provision, a large number of functions were conferred on the Minister, the Department, or particular officers of the Department.

The *Australian Maritime Safety Authority Act 1990* (the AMSA Act) established the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (the Authority) from 1 January 1991. The Authority has taken over from the Department its functions regarding maritime standards and safety.

The regulations amend the previous regulations to provide for these administrative changes by removing previous references to the Minister or the Department, or officers of the Department, and replacing them with references to the Authority or its officers as appropriate.

The Navigation (Master and Seamen) Regulations have been amended by the deletion of subregulation 25(2), which formerly required the master of a ship to note in the ship's log particulars of any births or deaths on board. The obligation to do so is now imposed directly by section 418 of the Act.

The regulations do not amend the previous regulations in any other substantive way.

All the regulations came into force on the day they were notified in the Gazette.

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