L.N. 90 of 1988

FISH INDUSTRY ACT, 1953

(ACT NO. XII OF 1953)

CODE OF POLICE LAWS (CAP. 10)

FEES ORDINANCE (CAP. 35)

Registration of Fishing Boats Regulations, 1988

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Fish Industry Act, 1953, by section 305 of the Code of Police Laws, and by section 2 of the Fees Ordinance, the Minister of Productive Development, with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance, has made the following regulations:—

1. These regulations may be cited as the Registration of Fishing Boats Regulations, 1988, and shall come into force on the 1st January, 1989. Citation and commencement.

2. In these regulations unless the context otherwise requires — Interpretation.

"Director" means the Director of Agriculture and Fisheries; and

"Work Book" has the same meaning assigned to it by the Work Books Order, 1974. L.N. 110 of 1974.

3. (1) Every boat used principally for the purpose of fishing shall be registered with the Director who shall issue a licence therefor: Registration of fishing boats.

Provided that licences shall be renewable at the beginning of each year and shall be valid only to the end of the year of issue, unless previously suspended or revoked for any breach of the existing laws and regulations.

(2) Fishing boats owned by whole-time fishermen shall be marked with the letter "F" and fishing boats owned by part-time fishermen shall be marked with the letters "PTF" followed by their respective registration numbers.

(3) Both such letters and numbers shall be of such size as indicated on the licence issued by the Director and shall be displayed on both sides of the bow.

4. A boat shall only be registered as an "F" marked fishing boat if owned by — "F" marked fishing boats.

(a) a whole-time gainfully occupied fisherman holding a Work Book wherein he is registered as such; or

(b) an owner who employs on his fishing boat at least one whole-time gainfully occupied fisherman holding a Work Book wherein he is registered as such.

Renewal of licences of "PTF" marked fishing boats.

5. Licences of boats registered as "PTF" marked fishing boats shall only be renewed if the owner sells, every year, through the Fishmarket, fish valued as shown hereunder in respect of the metric length of his fishing boat:

(a)	under 6 metres	Lm200
(b)	over 6 metres but under 9 metres	Lm600
(c)	over 9 metres but under 12 metres	Lm1,200
(d)	over 12 metres	Lm2,000.

Annual licence fee.

6. The annual licence fee for the registration of fishing boats with the Director shall be as follows —

"F" marked fishing boats	Lm5 per annum
"PTF" marked fishing boats	Lm10 per annum.

Seaworthiness and suitability of boat.

7. An owner of a boat shall satisfy the Director that his boat and its machinery, if any, is seaworthy and suitable for the purpose for which it is intended.

Compliance with regulations.

8. Owners of boats shall comply with the regulations in force, from time to time, for the prevention of collisions at sea and shall ensure that their boats carry the lights prescribed therein.

Repeal.

9. The regulations published by Government Notice No. 212 of the 1st June, 1937, and by Government Notice No. 549 of the 21st December, 1937, are hereby repealed.

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