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# The Safety of Small Commercial Vessels Operating from a Nominated Departure Point - A Code of Practice.

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#### 1. Structured Information Line

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## 2. Member State

United Kingdom

# 3. Department Responsible



Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate

#### 3. Originating Department

Department of Transport: Marine Safety Agency.

#### 4. Notification Number

97/0033/UK

#### 5. Title

The Safety of Small Commercial Vessels Operating from a Nominated Departure Point - A Code of Practice.

## 6. Products Concerned

Small vessels in commercial use for sport or pleasure and operating from nominated departure points around the coast of the United Kingdom.

#### 7. Notification Under Another Act

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#### 8. Main Content

The Code of Practice sets safety requirements for construction, machinery and electrical installations, safety equipment, manning qualifications, survey and certification. Two areas of operation are covered by the Code: up to 3 nautical miles radius to sea and up to 20 miles radius. The vessels covered by the Code cannot operate internationally. They are United Kingdom domestic service small vessels. Certificates will be issued to vessels complying with the Code: the Small Commercial Vessel Certificate - Sport or Pleasure Use. The Code will be given statutory force by means of an amendment to the Merchant Shipping (Small Vessels in Commercial Use for Sport or Pleasure) Regulations 1993. Reference is made in those Regulations to recognition of results and tests carried out by other EU member states. The Code of Practice includes a general mutual recognition clause.

The UK will fulfil its obligation under Article 12 of Directive 83/189/EEC (as amended) when these regulations are officially published

# 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

To improve the safety of small commercial vessels by making a national standard which has been developed specifically to address small vessels of up to 24 metres in load line length and which is compatible with the safety standards already in force by the application of two existing Codes, namely

(i) the Safety of Small Commercial Motor Vessels - A Code of Practice, and the Safety of Small Commercial Sailing

Vessels - A Code of Practice, both of which came into force on 1 April 1994 (notified under 92/0121/UK)

#### 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- i. Draft of the ?Safety of Small Commercial Vessels Operating from a Nominated Point of Departure - A Code of Practice?.
- ii. The Safety of Small Boats in Commercial Use. (92/0121/UK)

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# **11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure** No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

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14. Fiscal measures

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