

Decree N° 34 of 22 December 1985 establishing the specifications for markings and identification numbers for fishing vessels

Article 1. - All fishing vessels and high-sea trawlers are required to bear identification plates indicating their names and registration numbers in accordance with the forms and specifications defined below:

I. Vessels constructed in wood and provided with a cabin

The names and registration numbers of vessels belonging to this category are to be inscribed on four plates in metal, wood or plastic:

- (a) two of these shall be 50 x 30 cm. surface area, shall be painted in white and shall bear the inscriptions in indelible black characters at least 25 mm. in width; the plates shall be affixed on each of the vessel forward of the cabin, the inscriptions to be freshly painted each time that they are affixed;
- (b) the two other plates shall be 125 x 30 cm. surface area, shall be painted in white and shall bear the inscriptions in indelible black characters at least 40 mm. in width; each of these plates shall be affixed on each side of the bows of the ship directly above the waterline, and the inscriptions shall be repainted each time that they are affixed.

II. Vessels constructed in wood and not provided with a cabin

The names and registration numbers of vessels belonging to this category shall be inscribed on two plates in metal, wood or plastic of 60 x 30 cm. surface area, shall be painted in white and shall bear the inscriptions in indelible black characters at least 25 mm. in width; each of these plates shall be affixed on each of the two sides at the bows of the vessel, directly above the waterline, and the inscriptions shall be repainted each time that they are affixed.

III. Vessels constructed in metal

The names and registration numbers of the vessels belonging to this category shall be inscribed:

- (a) on two plates in metal, wood or plastic of 50 x 30 cm. surface area, shall be painted in white and shall bear the inscriptions in indelible black characters at least 25 mm. in width; the plates shall be affixed on each of the vessel forward of the cabin, directly behind the navigation lights;

- (b) the name and registration number of the vessel shall also be painted on both sides of the bow just above the waterline in a colour which contrasts with that of the hull in characters at least 40 mm. in width and in such a way that the surface area is not less than 125 x 20 cm.

#### IV. Highseas trawlers

The name and registration number of a high seas trawler shall be in a colour which contrasts with that of the hull and shall be painted on both sides of the bow just above the waterline using a surface area of 60 x 40 mm. and characters of at least 25 mm. in indelible colour; the inscriptions shall be repainted each time that they are affixed.

Article 2. - This Decree applies to all concerned persons; it shall be published in the Official Journal and shall enter into force on the date of its publication.