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1. These Regulations may be cited as the Harbours General Regulations.

**GENERAL**

Drogher certificates.

2. Vessels having drogher certificates when under sail or steam within the waters of Trinidad and Tobago between the hours of sunrise and sunset shall carry at the masthead, or if vessels having more than one mast, at the foremasthead, a blue flag with a white cross in the centre.

Hoisting of colours.

3. Vessels which have been boarded in any harbour of Trinidad and Tobago shall on arrival in another harbour of Trinidad and Tobago hoist their colours at the foremasthead.

In case of any contravention of this regulation the master or person in charge is liable to a fine of forty dollars.

Boat identification.

4. Every licensed boat shall have the number of its licence and the initial of the harbour where it is licensed and the name of the owner legibly painted on the stern in letters and figures not less than forty millimetres in length, and not on a board moveable at pleasure.

In case of any contravention of this regulation the owner is liable to a fine of two hundred dollars.

Maximum number of passengers.

5. All licensed boats shall be licensed to carry a specified number of passengers and no licensed boat shall carry more than the number so specified.

For the purpose of arriving at the number of passengers to be carried, the Harbour Master shall allow one passenger for every lineal half metre of seating accommodation in such boat, provided, however, that when such accommodation is of an unusual character he may allow such number of passengers as he may consider adequate.

In case of any contravention of this regulation every boatman in the boat is liable to a fine of two hundred dollars.

**6.** Droghers when at anchor at night shall exhibit a bright white light visible all round the horizon. Droghers at anchor.

**7.** Boats (licensed or not) when moving about in harbours at night shall exhibit a bright light carried at least one metre above the gunwale and so fixed that it can be seen all round the compass. Boats moving at night.

This regulation applies also to fishing boats, whether moving or stationary, when fishing within the limits of harbours, but shall not apply to Police or Customs boats.

**8.** If any person by any act or default commits any breach of regulation 6 or 7, such person is liable to a fine of two hundred dollars for each such breach, and the drogher, boat or vessel in respect of which such breach was committed may be charged with the payment of such fine. Breach of regulations.

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**9.** Unless otherwise provided for in these Regulations, no lighter, launch, boat or coasting vessel shall lie alongside the wharves between the hours of 6.00 p.m. and 6.00 a.m. and on Sundays and public holidays, unless they are actually working at such times, but shall proceed to one of the places assigned to them hereunder; but vessels loaded at the wharves for the coast may remain alongside after 6.00 p.m. if they are to leave during the night immediately following such loading: Vessels lying alongside wharves.

- (a) Empty lighters, and water boats whether laden or not shall anchor East of 2 black buoys in line with the eastern side of the Railway Export Shed on the Queen's Wharf;
- (b) Vessels with cargo for or from the Railway Export Shed or Railway Wharf may remain alongside such places; if for any reason they cannot remain alongside, they shall anchor between the shore and the two inner buoys off the Railway Export Shed and the Harbour Master's boathouse.

- (c) Small craft from the West Indian Islands and Venezuela, coasting vessels, launches and boats using the Queen's Wharf, shall anchor within the area, marked by two red buoys in line with the eastern side of the Harbour Master's Boathouse and two red buoys in line with the ridge of the Public Weighbridge Building on the Queen's Wharf;
- (d) Lighters with cargo for the Custom House or with cargo from the Custom House awaiting shipment to an exporting ship shall lie alongside the Customs Wharf or Customs Jetties. If for any reason they cannot lie alongside, they shall anchor within the area marked by two white buoys in line with the eastern side of the Customs bonded Warehouse and two white buoys in line with the eastern jetty of the Custom House. Lighters with lumber, coal, bricks, loose iron or machinery from an importing ship for discharge at the public wharves may remain alongside such wharves at all times until discharged;
- (e) Lighters with cargo loaded at the wharves or with cargo from the coast awaiting the arrival of an exporting ship shall anchor within the area marked by two red buoys in line with the western jetty of the Custom House and two red buoys in line with the eastern side of the Customs Office on St. Vincent Wharf. Lighters which have not completed loading for an exporting ship shall also anchor within this area from 6.00 p.m. to 6.00 a.m. and on Sundays and public holidays if not working at such times;
- (f) Boats and launches using the St. Vincent Wharf, when not employed, shall anchor within the area marked by two white buoys off the 10-ton crane and parallel to St. Vincent Jetty and two white

buoys off the foot of Richmond Street and also parallel to St. Vincent Jetty;

- (g) No vessel shall anchor in any of the above described anchorages so that she can swing between the wharves and the buoys nearest the wharves or into any of the spaces between the various anchorages which are reserved for navigation to and from the wharves.

**10.** Vessels which have discharged at the wharves or warehouses shall remove at once to one of the anchorages assigned to such vessels, provided however, that when such vessels are required to take in cargo on the same day of discharge they may remain alongside in order to secure the berth, but in no other case.

Discharge.

**11.** No vessel shall anchor in the channel leading to the St. Vincent Jetty or so that, when she swings, she shall lie nearer than  $\frac{1}{2}$  cable from the line of buoys on the side of the channel nearer to her.

St. Vincent Jetty.

**12.** No stationary moorings shall be permitted in the harbour without the approval in writing of the Harbour Master.

Stationary moorings.

**13.** No vessels shall be permitted to remain alongside any landing place except when actually taking in or landing passengers.

Remaining alongside landing place.

**14.** No wares, merchandise, or other articles or packages, except small parcels and passengers' personal baggage and packages for the Government Steamers shall be landed on or taken off the Jetty at Queen's Wharf.

Landing of articles on Jetty at Queen's Wharf.

**15.** The penalty for the breach of any of regulations 9 to 14 is a fine of two hundred dollars.

Penalty.

#### HARBOUR OF SAN FERNANDO

**16.** All goods shall be landed on the wharf space between the north side of the Government Petroleum Store and the south-east end of the wharf, and the Harbour Master may appropriate particular

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portions of this space for the landing of particular classes of goods. Moreover, the Harbour Master may give directions as to the time during which goods landed shall be allowed to remain when landed, and as to particular classes of goods may require that they be immediately removed to some adjacent ground. The Harbour Master may also give directions as to the time during which goods or anything deposited within six metres of the edge of the wharf shall be allowed to remain when so deposited.

In case of any contravention of this regulation or of any directions given by the Harbour Master thereunder the offender shall be liable to a fine of two hundred dollars and the goods or things in respect of which the contravention takes place shall be charged with the payment of the fine.

Beaching  
of boats.

**17.** Boats shall be beached on such parts of the shore as the Harbour Master may appoint for that purpose.

Anchoring  
of boats.

**18.** No boats shall be anchored within forty-five metres of any part of the shore.

Fine.

**19.** In case of any contravention of regulations 17 and 18 the offender shall be liable to a fine of forty dollars and the boat in respect of which the contravention takes place shall be charged with the payment of such penalty.

**HARBOUR OF BRIGHTON (LA BREA)**

Landing  
of goods.

**20.** All goods must be landed on the beach or pier between Point d'Or and Point Boyer, and the Harbour Master may appropriate particular portions of this space for the landing of particular classes of goods. Moreover, the Harbour Master may give directions as to the time during which goods landed shall be allowed to remain when landed, and as to particular classes of goods may require that they be immediately after landing removed to some adjacent ground.

In case of any contravention of this regulation or of any directions given by the Harbour Master thereunder the offender shall be liable to a fine of two hundred dollars and the goods in

respect of which the contravention takes place shall be charged with the payment of the fine.

**21.** Boats may be beached on any part of the shore between Mr. McCarthy's dwelling house and Point Boyer, but not elsewhere except with the permission of the Harbour Master.

Beaching  
of boats.

**22.** Fishing boats, corials and other open boats may be pulled up or anchored to the west of Mr. McCarthy's dwelling house and to the east of King's Point, but not elsewhere.

Open boats.

**23.** No boat shall be anchored within forty-five metres of any part of the shore.

Anchoring  
of boats.

**24.** In case of any contravention of any of the three last preceding regulations as to boats, the offender shall be liable to a fine of forty dollars, and the boat in respect of which the contravention takes place shall be charged with the payment of such fine.

Fine.