

L. N. 137 of 1963

THE MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT, 1962

The Merchant Shipping (Accepted Safety Convention Certificates)
Order, 1963*Commencement : 1st August, 1963*

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 180 (1) and 199 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1962, the Federal Minister of Transport hereby makes the following order—

1. This Order may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Accepted Safety Convention Certificates) Order, 1963. Short title.
2. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires—
 “Convention certificate” means a certificate issued in accordance with the Safety Convention or as subsequently amended, by the Government of any country other than Nigeria. Interpretation.
3. Every Convention certificate in respect of a Safety Convention ship, not being a Nigerian ship, which complies with such of the requirements of this Order as are applicable to it in the circumstances, shall be accepted as having the same force as the corresponding certificate issued by the Minister under the Act. Certificates accepted.
4. Every Convention certificate shall by its terms be applicable to the voyage in respect of which a clearance or transire is demanded and to the trade in which the ship is for the time being engaged. Certificate to be applicable to current voyage.
5. Every Convention certificate shall show by its terms that it was issued by or under the authority of the Government of the country in which the ship is registered or to which she belongs or that it was issued at the request of that Government by the Minister or by or under the authority of the Government of any other country to which the Safety Convention applies. The certificate shall be in English if issued by the Minister and, in any other case, in the official language of the country of the Government by or under the authority of which it was issued ; and any particulars inserted whether by handwriting, typescript or otherwise in the blank spaces provided for that purpose shall be in Roman characters and Arabic figures. Certificate to show by whom issued, etc.
6. Every Convention certificate shall show the date on which it was issued and the period of its validity, which shall not exceed twelve months from the date of issue, except Safety Equipment Certificates which shall be issued for a period of not more than twenty-four months. Validity of Certificate.

Provided that if a duly authorised officer of the country in which the ship is registered or to which she belongs has extended the period of the validity of any certificate by a period not exceeding either five months for the specific purpose of enabling the ship to return to that country or one month for any other purpose, the certificate shall be accepted during the period of any such extension if the ship complies with any other requirements of this Order which are applicable to it in the circumstances.

Countries
which have
accepted
Convention.

Territories
to which
Convention
extends.

7. It is hereby declared that the countries listed in the First Schedule hereto have accepted the provisions of the Safety Convention.

8. It is hereby declared that the provisions of the Safety Convention extend to the territories listed in the Second Schedule hereto.

FIRST SCHEDULE

(Para.7)

COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE ACCEPTED THE SAFETY CONVENTION

The first column of this Schedule specifies the countries other than Nigeria which have accepted the Safety Convention as stated in the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organisations' Circular dated 31st August, 1963 :—

<i>Country</i>	<i>Date of Entry</i>
ARGENTINA	31 October 1956
AUSTRALIA	6 January 1960
BELGIUM	19 November 1952
BRAZIL	17 April 1956
BULGARIA	17 November 1956
CAMBODIA	2 June 1954
CAMEROUN	16 May 1960
CANADA	19 November 1952
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	6 November 1961
CHILE	5 September 1953
CONGO (BRAZZAVILLE)	25 April 1961
CUBA	26 November 1954
CZECHOSLOVAKIA	25 June 1957
DAHOMY	20 April 1961
DENMARK	19 November 1952
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	29 June 1955
FINLAND	13 November 1953
FRANCE	19 November 1952
OVERSEAS FRANCE	31 May 1955
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY	19 November 1954
GHANA	22 February 1958
GREECE	21 April 1954
GUINEA	4 May 1960
HAITI	26 August 1954
HUNGARY	15 November 1956
ICELAND	19 November 1952
INDIA	19 November 1952
IRELAND	19 November 1953
ISRAEL	19 November 1952
ITALY	19 November 1952
IVORY COAST	1 April 1961

FIRST SCHEDULE—*continued*COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE ACCEPTED THE SAFETY CONVENTION—*continued*

JAPAN	19 November 1952
KOREA (REPUBLIC OF)	10 June 1960
KUWAIT	12 April 1959
LIBERIA	13 April 1953
MADAGASCAR	2 June 1961
MALAYA (FEDERATION)	21 October 1953
MAURITANIA	5 December 1961
MEXICO	4 April 1962
MONACO	12 April 1955
MOROCCO	28 May 1956
NETHERLANDS	19 November 1952
NETHERLANDS ANTILLES	11 January 1955
NEW ZEALAND	19 November 1952
NICARAGUA	19 May 1954
NIGER	24 September 1962
NORWAY	19 November 1952
PAKISTAN	19 November 1952
PANAMA	8 April 1954
PHILIPPINES	19 November 1952
POLAND	11 September 1954
PORTUGAL	19 November 1952
PORTUGUESE OVERSEAS	
PROVINCES OF CAPE VERDE,	
GUINEA, S. TOME AND	
PRINCIPE, ANGOLA,	
MOZAMBIQUE, MACAO AND TIMOR	23 February 1957
ROUMANIA	30 December 1954
SENEGAL	8 June 1961
SOMALIA	17 September 1961
SOUTH AFRICA	19 November 1952
SPAIN	26 March 1953
SPANISH COLONIES	26 March 1953
SWEDEN	19 November 1952
SWITZERLAND	19 August 1954
TUNISIA	20 August 1963
TURKEY	19 January 1957
UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC	11 September 1954
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS	10 August 1954
UNITED KINGDOM	19 November 1952
HONG KONG	7 April 1953
SINGAPORE	5 August 1953
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	19 November 1952
PUERTO RICO	19 November 1952
URUGUAY	15 May 1961
VENEZUELA	8 May 1956
VIET-NAM (REPUBLIC OF)	12 December 1953
YUGOSLAVIA	19 November 1952

SECOND SCHEDULE

TERRITORIES TO WHICH THE PROVISIONS OF THE SAFETY CONVENTION
HAVE BEEN EXTENDED

The first column of this Schedule specifies the territories to which the provisions of the Safety Convention have been extended as stated in the Inter-Governmental Consultative Organisation circular dated 31st August 1963.

<i>Territory</i>							<i>Date of application</i>
CHAD	..	..	..	..	..	..	31 May 1955
GABON	..	..	..	..	..	..	31 May 1955
MALI	..	..	..	..	..	..	31 May 1955

DATED at Lagos this 31st day of October, 1963.

R. A. NJOKU,
Federal Minister of Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Order provides that safety certificates issued, in accordance with the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea signed at London on 10th June, 1948, by the Government of any country to which the Convention according to the declaration in this Order applies, shall be accepted as having the same force as corresponding certificates issued by the Federal Minister of Transport under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1962.