

And whereas rules are not and cannot be made under the authority of any local Act concerning lights and signals to be carried, or the steps for avoiding collision to be taken by vessels navigating the waters of Lake Windermere:

And whereas application has been made that such rules may be made for vessels navigating the waters of Windermere:

And whereas the provisions of Section One of The Rules Publication Act, 1893, have been complied with:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by virtue of the powers in Him vested by the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to make the rules which are set forth in the Schedule hereto, and to direct that the same shall come into force from the date of this Order.

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SCHEDULE,
Preliminary.

These Rules shall be followed by all vessels upon Lake Windermere and in all waters connected therewith, navigable by vessels.

The word "vessel" shall include any ship or boat or any other description of vessel used in navigation.

The word "steam vessel" shall include any vessel propelled by machinery.

A vessel is "under way" within the meaning of these Rules, when she is not at anchor, or made fast to the shore or aground.

Rules concerning Lights, &c.

The word "visible" in these Rules, when applied to lights, shall mean visible on a dark night with a clear atmosphere.

ART. 1. The Rules concerning lights shall be complied with in all weathers from sunset to sunrise.

ART. 2. A steam vessel when under way shall carry:

(a.) On or in front of the foremast, or if a vessel without a foremast, then in the fore part of the vessel, at a height above the hull of not less than the breadth of the vessel, a bright white light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of twenty points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light ten points on each side of the vessel, viz., from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on either side, and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least two miles.

(b.) On the starboard side a green light so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of ten points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the starboard side, and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least one mile.

(c.) On the port side a red light so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of ten points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the port side, and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least one mile.

(d.) The said green and red side lights shall be fitted with inboard screens projecting at least three feet forward from the light, so as to prevent these lights from being seen across the bow.

ART. 3. A steam vessel when towing another vessel shall, in addition to her side lights, carry two bright white lights in a vertical line one over the other, not less than six feet apart. Each of these lights shall be of the same construction and

character, and shall be carried in the same position as the white light mentioned in Article 2 (a).

ART. 4. A sailing vessel under way, and any vessel being towed, shall carry the same lights as are prescribed by Article 2 for a steam vessel under way, with the exception of the white light mentioned therein, which they shall never carry.

ART. 5. Steam vessels of less than forty, and vessels under oars or sails of less than twenty, tons gross tonnage, respectively, and rowing boats, when under way, shall not be obliged to carry the lights mentioned in Article 2 (a) (b) and (c), but if they do not carry them they shall be provided with the following lights:—

1. Steam vessels of less than forty tons shall carry:—

(a.) In the fore part of the vessel, or on or in front of the funnel, where it can best be seen, and at a height above the gunwale of not less than nine feet, a bright white light constructed and fixed as prescribed in Article 2 (a), and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least two miles.

(b.) Green and red side lights constructed and fixed as prescribed in Article 2 (b) and (c), and of such a character as to be visible at a distance of at least one mile, or a combined lantern showing a green light and a red light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on their respective sides. Such lantern shall be carried not less than three feet below the white light.

2. Small steam launches may carry the white light at a less height than nine feet above the gunwale, but it shall be carried above the combined lantern, mentioned in subdivision one (b).

3. Vessels under oars or sails, of less than twenty tons, shall have ready at hand a lantern with a green glass on one side and a red glass on the other, which, on the approach of or to other vessels, shall be exhibited in sufficient time to prevent collision, so that the green light shall not be seen on the port side nor the red light on the starboard side.

4. Rowing boats, whether under oars or sail, shall have ready at hand a lantern showing a white light, which shall be temporarily exhibited in sufficient time to prevent collision.

ART. 6. A vessel which is being overtaken by another shall show from her stern to such last-mentioned vessel a white light or a flare-up light.

ART. 7. A vessel, when at anchor, shall carry forward, where it can best be seen, but at a height not exceeding twenty feet above the hull, a white light in a lantern so constructed as to show a clear, uniform, and unbroken light visible all round the horizon at a distance of at least one mile.

This article shall not apply to vessels and boats when at their permanent recognized moorings, if those moorings are out of the fairway.

ART. 8. Every vessel shall in fog, mist, snow or heavy rain storms go at a moderate speed, having careful regard to existing circumstances and conditions, and shall, if necessary, slacken speed or stop or reverse in order to avoid risk of collision. Every vessel shall in fog, mist, snow or heavy rain storms blow the steam whistle or sound the foghorn at frequent intervals.

Steering and Sailing Rules.

ART. 9. When two sailing vessels are approaching one another, so as to involve risk of collision, one of them shall keep out of the way of the other, as follows, viz:—

(a.) A vessel which is running free shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled.

(b.) A vessel which is close-hauled on the port tack shall keep out of the way of a vessel which is close-hauled on the starboard tack,