

a vessel used by any person following the business of a fisherman on the Thames and in respect of which vessel the requirements of the Thames Fishery Bye-laws 1914 are for the time being fulfilled and not being a launch or a house-boat and not being used solely as a tug or for the carriage of goods and, not being certified by the Board of Trade as a passenger steamer to carry two hundred or more passengers.

"Pleasure boat for hire" means any pleasure boat let for hire or used or intended to be used for any purpose of profit.

"Private pleasure boat" means any pleasure boat other than a pleasure boat for hire.

"Houseboat Certificate" means a certificate of registration of a houseboat pursuant to the Acts of 1894 to 1924 and includes any renewal of such certificate.

"Boat Certificate" means a certificate of registration of a private pleasure boat or of a pleasure boat for hire as the case may be pursuant to the Acts of 1894 to 1924 and includes any renewal of such certificate.

Except as hereinbefore otherwise provided words and expressions to which a special meaning is assigned by the Acts of 1894 to 1924 have respectively the same meaning in these Bye-laws as they have in the said Acts.

5.—(1) No person shall use on the Thames or hire or let for hire for use on the Thames any houseboat unless a houseboat certificate relating thereto be then in force.

(2) Every person applying to the Conservators for the registration of a houseboat or for the renewal of a houseboat certificate in respect thereof shall deliver to the Conservators in writing on the appropriate form mentioned in the Schedule hereto the particulars therein prescribed concerning such houseboat and shall afford to the Conservators all reasonable facilities for satisfying themselves as to the accuracy of the particulars aforesaid.

(3) The Conservators may decline to register two or more houseboats in the same name and may decline to register any houseboat in a name which is likely to deceive and in case of any dispute as to which houseboat shall bear the name the houseboat which has longest borne the name shall be the houseboat to be registered in such name and registration of the other houseboat shall be deferred until the owner thereof shall have furnished a name for it which can be properly registered.

(4) Every houseboat in respect of which there is a houseboat certificate in force shall have legibly and conspicuously painted upon each side thereof either the registered number or the registered name thereof.

(5) No person shall knowingly conceal or cover the registered name or number painted on a houseboat on the Thames.

(6) No person shall display upon or about any houseboat on the Thames any number except in accordance with the provisions of these Bye-laws.

6.—(1) No person shall use on the Thames or hire or let for hire for use on the Thames any pleasure boat unless a boat certificate relating thereto be then in force.

(2) Every person applying to the Conservators for the registration of a private pleasure boat or of a pleasure boat for hire or for re-

newal of a boat certificate in respect of any such pleasure boat shall deliver to the Conservators in writing on the appropriate form mentioned in the Schedule hereto the particulars therein prescribed concerning such pleasure boat.

(3) The Conservators may provide the owner of a pleasure boat in respect of which a boat certificate is in force with a plate (hereinafter in these Bye-laws referred to as a registration plate) bearing such particulars for the more effectually identifying the pleasure boat as the Conservators may think fit.

(4) Every registration plate shall be and remain the property of the Conservators and shall on demand by the Conservators be returned to them within three months after the expiration of the boat certificate to which the registration plate relates unless the certificate shall in the meantime have been renewed.

(5) Every registration plate shall be placed and kept in upon or about the pleasure boat to which the plate refers in a conspicuous position and if outside the boat above the water line and shall be maintained in a clean and plainly distinguishable condition and to the satisfaction of the Conservators or their officers.

(6) No person shall use on the Thames or hire or let for hire for use on the Thames any pleasure boat without there being affixed thereto a registration plate relating to a boat certificate then in force respecting such pleasure boat.

(7) No person shall knowingly conceal or cover a registration plate affixed to any pleasure boat or affix any registration plate in or upon any other pleasure boat than that in relation to which the plate is provided.

7.—(1) For the purposes of registration under the Acts of 1894 to 1924 the Conservators may classify and keep a separate list of skiffs punts and canoes owned by any rowing club punting club or canoe club or by the members of such club and of sailing boats owned by any sailing club or by the members of such club.

(2) The Conservators in their absolute discretion may refuse to classify as aforesaid the boats of any club or of the members thereof or they may cancel any such classification.

(3) Where the pleasure boats of any club or of the members thereof are classified as aforesaid the Conservators may keep a record in the case of a rowing club punting club or canoe club of the approved colours of the club and in the case of a sailing club of the approved burgee or ensign of the club. And upon being requested so to do the Conservators may assign to any such pleasure boat as aforesaid in respect of which a boat certificate is in force the said colours burgee or ensign as the case may be as a crest badge or mark in addition to the number assigned to the boat pursuant to the Acts of 1894 to 1924. And may provide the owner thereof with a special registration plate (in lieu of the registration plate mentioned in Bye-law 6 hereof) bearing the colours burgee or ensign of the club as the case may be and such other particulars as the Conservators may think fit on payment to them of a reasonable sum (not exceeding 2s. 6d.) in respect of such plate in addition to the sum payable for the registration of such boat and thereupon the provisions