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Shipping Guidance Notice – 004

To: Ship Owners, Operators, Masters and Officers

RADIO LOG BOOK
Global Maritime Distress & Safety System (GMDSS)

This Notice concerns those vessels operating under the (GMDSS) It is a requirement in accordance with the relevant Regulations that a Radio Log of matters must be maintained and be available for inspection. The matters specified, to include a time of their occurrence, are:

- a) a summary of communications relating to distress, urgency and safety traffic,
- b) a record of important incidents connected with the radio service, and
- c) where appropriate, the position of the ship at least once a day.

British GMDSS radio log books can be obtained by quoting the following ISBN 0-11-551634-4

The log book contains instructions for its completion to meet legal requirements and gives details of the periodic checks of the equipment, which need to be carried out.

For illustrative purposes, an example of a typical day's log is attached.

All notices of all categories will be posted on the Department of Shipping's website which can currently be accessed through www.gibmaritime.com. As part of plans for an upgraded website the Department of Shipping will be introducing a restricted area (accessed through a password) for its clients.

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