

RESOLUTION A.131(V)

RECOMMENDATION ON THE APPLICATION OF CERTAIN  
RULES OF THE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR  
PREVENTING COLLISIONS AT SEA, 1960

The Assembly,

*Noting* Article 16(i) of the IMCO Convention concerning the functions of the Assembly,

*Recalling* Rules 2(a) and 3(a) of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1960,

*Bearing in mind* that difficulties might arise in the arrangement of lights in large vessels with high superstructures aft,

*Recognizing* that the intention of Rule 2(a)(iii) is that the sidelights be lower than the two masthead lights,

*Recognizing further* that the intention of Rule 3(a), seen in conjunction with Rule 2(a)(ii) is that the second masthead light be exhibited by vessels of 150 feet or over in length when towing or pushing,

*Having examined* the Report of the fourteenth session of the Maritime Safety Committee (paragraph 51, MSC XIV/20),

*Recommends* that:

- (a) particular attention should be paid to large vessels with high superstructures aft with a view to ensuring that the requirements of Rule 2(a)(iii) are strictly complied with, taking into account all normal conditions of trim;
- (b) governments bring to the attention of all concerned that vessels of 150 feet or over in length when towing or pushing should exhibit the second masthead light.

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*Agenda item 10*