

58. Requirements as to oil vessels

- (1) The Master of an oil vessel having on board flammable liquids other than as deck cargo, and all other persons concerned, must comply with the following provisions —
 - (a) after the vessel is made fast, all holds, tanks, and spaces containing flammable liquid must be kept securely closed and fastened down, except when opened for the purpose of discharging;
 - (b) an oil vessel with its cargo in bulk must not be berthed until it is ready to load or discharge, and must at all times continue and complete the loading or discharging with all possible despatch;
 - (c) a hold, tank, or space containing flammable liquid in containers must not be opened until all trucks or other vehicles into which such goods are to be loaded are placed alongside the vessel and all is in readiness to commence the work;
 - (d) after the vessel is made fast in a Berth, vapours from all holds, tanks or spaces containing flammable liquid must be properly vented to the atmosphere to the satisfaction of the Marine Manager, so that dangerous vapour concentrations do not occur;
 - (e) an oil vessel loading or unloading flammable liquid in casks, barrels, or other receptacles or containers must work its cargo or carry out any other work on board only as directed by the Marine Manager;
 - (f) flammable liquid contained in casks, barrels or other receptacles must not be landed on any wharf from a vessel unless the casks, barrels or other receptacles are staunch and free from leakage and are of such strength and construction as to be not liable to break or leak;
 - (g) where the Marine Manager so approves in writing, flammable liquid in bulk may be unloaded after sunset into shore tanks, and may, in special circumstances, be loaded into tank ships, and the following conditions and such other conditions as the Marine Manager may in those circumstances impose, must be complied with —
 - (i) unless circumstances render it unavoidable, pipelines and hoses must not be coupled, uncoupled, or otherwise interfered with, except in daylight; and
 - (ii) sufficient electric flood lighting of approved type must be provided to give ample light for all operations;and
 - (h) general cargo, other than deck cargo, must not be unloaded after sunset on any day from any oil vessel without the approval in writing of the Marine Manager.
- (2) A Master of an oil vessel who contravenes this by-law commits an offence.