

UNION STEAM SHIP CO. OF NEW ZEALAND, LTD.

THE MARINE SUPERINTENDENT,  
WELLINGTON

To:-

The Master,

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LOAD LINE CONVENTION ACT, 1932.

In order to meet the requirements of the above Act it is necessary for attention to be given to the following matters:-

1. Widley & Engine Room Entrance doors:- Doors, together with locking arrangements, to be kept in good working order.
2. Hatchways in Bridge Deck Spaces:- Wooden covers, canvas and efficient battening arrangements are to be available for closing all hatchway openings in these spaces. Savealls or second-hand canvas can be used for this purpose.
3. Air Pipes & Ventilators:- Satisfactory means of closing air pipes and sockets of ventilators leading to spaces below freshboard deck to be available. These may consist of wooden plugs and canvas covers in the case of the latter and wooden plugs or canvas covers alone for the former.
4. Widley Gratings:- Steel covers to be permanently attached in the proper positions for covering these openings. Attachments may be either hinges or short lengths of chain.
5. Life-Lines:- Satisfactory means are to be provided for the protection of the crew in getting to and from their quarters. Life-lines may consist of ropes attached to suitable positions on the exposed parts of deck.
6. Timber Deck Cargo Lashings:- The requirements in this connection necessitate a complete system of overall lashings of suitable strength fitted with releasing arrangements, the latter being accessible at all times. All fittings required for securing lashings are to be of strength corresponding to the strength of the lashings.

Masters are requested to investigate the foregoing requirements and to forward a report to this Department advising all items and work necessary to comply with the Regulations.



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