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In their reply the Board state that:-

... Society as the loadline assigning Authority, consider the freeing ports required by the second clauses of Paragraph ... the Board's Tonnage measurement Instructions should be used with, the Board would be prepared to accept in lieu of scuppers of not less than 5 inches diameter, and, further Board would not regard it as infringing the conditions of exemption if such scuppers were fitted with screw-down return valves in order to satisfy loadline requirements. As to that part of the shelter deck spaces which is forward of tonnage well, the Board would not regard the omission of scuppers (if such omission is considered necessary by your Society as a condition of loadline assignment) as affecting the condition of the eligibility of the spaces concerned for tonnage exemption."....

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They desire the Society to inform the Owners that they should make formal application to the Board in respect of any proposed alterations under the conditions on which tonnage exemption of the shelter tween deck spaces were granted. Such applications should give details of the proposed alterations and state the Port in the U.K. at which the ship could be inspected by the Board of Trade Surveyors after the alterations have been approved and carried out.

*attention*  
*Act the Bureau*  
*17/6/32*



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