Regulations of 30 June 1987 No. 579 concerning special trade areas for vessels and mobile offshore units engaged in the petroleum activity and registered in the Norwegian International Ship Register


§ 1
Definitions
For the purpose of these regulations, ship means vessels and mobile offshore units engaged in the petroleum activity, such as supply vessels, standby vessels, drilling platforms and other mobile offshore units.

§ 2
Application
These regulations shall apply to vessels and mobile offshore units engaged in the petroleum activity as referred to in § 1. These regulations do not apply to seismic vessels. Regulations of 4 November 1981 concerning trade areas shall not apply to ships to which the present regulations are applicable.

§ 3
Trade area. Trade permit
Ships to which these regulations apply, shall be assigned a trade area which excludes trade between Norwegian ports. For the purpose of these regulations, the expression Norwegian port shall include any installation for oil and/or gas activities on the Norwegian Continental Shelf. Applications for trade areas shall be submitted to the Norwegian Maritime Directorate.

A permit to engage in trade on the Norwegian Continental Shelf may in exceptional cases be granted to special types of vessel for special voyages upon submission of the application to the Ministry of Trade and Industry.

The trade area shall be inserted in the ship’s trade certificate or specification of crew as unrestricted trade, with the exception of the Norwegian Continental Shelf and trade between Norwegian ports. The limitation of trade area shall not apply to regular transit.

Amended by regulation of 6 November 2002 no. 1262 (effective from 1 December 2002).

§ 4
Penalty
Wilful or negligent violation of these regulations or decisions made in pursuance of these regulations will be punished by fines in accordance with § 339 subsection 2 of the General Civil Penal Code of 22 May 1902 No. 10, provided no stricter penalty is applicable pursuant to any other statutory provision.

In the case of violations, the Ministry may decide that the ship shall be deleted from the Register, cf. § 12 second paragraph of the Act relating to the Norwegian International Ship Register.

§ 5
Entry into force
These regulations enter into force on 1 July 1987.