

Provided that—

(a) in conforming with the above-mentioned regulations, it shall be borne in mind that steam-vessels in narrow channels are not able to manœuvre so as to avoid collision with aircraft;

(b) the aircraft shall carry only the lights specified in Section I of this Part, and not those prescribed for steam-vessels in the regulations for preventing collisions at sea; it shall use the sound signals specified in the above-mentioned regulations only as specified in rule 103 and clause (d) of sub-rule (2) of rule 107; and it shall not be deemed to hear any sound signals;

(c) every aircraft in flight or in process of manœuvring near the surface of the water shall as far as possible keep clear of all vessels and avoid impeding the navigation thereof.

SECTION VII.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

130. Ballast.—The dropping of ballast other than fine sand or water from aircraft in the air is prohibited. ...

130A. Meteorological information.—(1) The person in charge of an aircraft flying along an international air traffic route or on a regular line or service of public air transport shall—

(a) before the aircraft commences any flight, procure information concerning the general meteorological situation and the way in which it is developing; and

(b) immediately before the departure of the aircraft on any flight ascertain, from such information as may be available at the aerodrome or other place of departure—

(i) what meteorological conditions are expected along the routes he intends to follow during the period of the flight, and

(ii) the latest observed meteorological conditions at places along the route or at places near the route where the meteorological conditions are likely to affect the flight.

(2) Where there is a forecasting service in operation at the aerodrome of departure, the person in charge of the aircraft shall personally consult the meteorologist in charge of the forecasting service.

131. Observance of general and special rules for air traffic.—In conforming with the provisions of Sections III, IV and V of this Part, due regard shall be had to all dangers of navigation and collision and to any special circumstances which may render a departure from these rules necessary in order to avoid immediate danger.

132. Neglect in the use of lights for signals, etc.—Nothing in this Part shall exonerate any aircraft, or the owner, pilot or crew thereof, from the consequences of any neglect in the use of lights or