

However, if such act results in fire, shipwreck, or the sinking of the ship or fire, crash or loss of the aircraft, the penalty shall be imprisonment of from two to ten years. When the vessel or the aircraft is used for the transport of passengers, the punishment shall be from three to fifteen years imprisonment.

*Art. 1141.* (Damage to a vessel or aircraft.) Whoever commits the act specified in Article 635 of the Criminal Code for the purpose of damaging a ship, a floating object or an aircraft, or the supplies on board shall be punished by imprisonment of from one to five years.

If the offense is committed by a crew member to the damage of the vessel, floating object or aircraft on which he serves, the punishment shall be increased up to one third and, if it is committed by its commander, the penalty shall be increased up to one half. In such cases the second and third paragraphs of the preceding article shall apply.

In any case prosecution shall be *ex officio*.

*Art. 1142.* (Damage to cargo and equipment on board.) The crew member of a vessel, floating object or aircraft who destroys, gets rid of, ruins or renders unserviceable, in part or in whole, the cargo, equipment, machinery, and installation on board shall be punished by imprisonment of from six months to three years and by a fine of up to 3,000 liras.

The second and third paragraphs of Article 1140 shall apply.

*Art. 1143.* (Wrongful employment of a vessel or an aircraft.) A commander who wrongfully uses, in part or in whole, a ship, floating object or aircraft for his own advantage or that of others, shall be punished by imprisonment of from six months to five years and by a fine of up to 10,000 liras.

However, a commander who loads small quantities of goods for his own account shall not be punished.

*Art. 1144.* (Embezzlement of money borrowed by the commander.) The commander of a ship or an aircraft who, in order to obtain for himself or others an unjust profit, embezzles the money borrowed as in the cases specified in Articles 307 and 892, shall be punished by imprisonment of up to five years and by a fine of up to 10,000 liras.

*Art. 1145.* (Misappropriation of the cargo.) A crew member of a ship or an aircraft who, for the purpose of obtaining for himself or others an unjust profit, misappropriates the cargo in part or entirely, shall be punished by imprisonment of from six months to five years and by a fine of up to 10,000 liras.

*Art. 1146.* (Misappropriation of ship and air wrecks.) Whoever takes possession of a wreck indicated in Articles 510 and 993, when he has the obligation to report them, shall be punished by imprisonment of up to three years or by a fine of up to 10,000 liras.

For members of maritime or aviation personnel and all persons engaged in whatever capacity in harbor or navigation services or in the exercise of any of the activities specified in Article 68, the penalty shall be increased up to one third.

*Art. 1147.* (Taking possession of a shipwreck or a lost aircraft.) Whoever takes possession of a ship or an abandoned, shipwrecked, or submerged floating object or of an abandoned, crashed or lost aircraft, shall be punished by imprisonment of from one to five years and by a fine of from 2,000 to 10,000 liras.

For any person specified in the second paragraph of the preceding article, the penalty shall be increased up to one third.