

## Guidance on provisions<sup>1</sup> that include the term "to the satisfaction of the Administration" or equivalent in mandatory IMO instruments

### International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREG)

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No.	Annex	Regulation	Title	Provision	Guidance
1	I Positioning and Technical Details of Lights and Shapes	14	Approvals	The construction of lights and shapes and the installation of lights on board the vessel <b>shall be to the satisfaction of the appropriate authority of the State</b> whose flag the vessel is entitled to fly.	Only type approved lamps appropriate for the size of the vessel may be fitted. IMO Resolution MSC.253(83) 'Performance Standards for Navigation Lights, Navigation Light Controllers and associated equipment' to be adhered to. The Administration <sup>2</sup> will determine 'closest possible compliance' on a case-by-case basis whenever a vessel of special construction or purpose cannot fully comply with the provisions of any of these Standards. The following IACS Unified Interpretations (UI) may be applied: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ UI COLREG1 Rev.1 Corr.1</li> <li>➤ UI COLREG3 Rev.1 Corr.1</li> <li>➤ UI COLREG4 Corr.1</li> <li>➤ UI COLREG5</li> </ul>
2	III Technical Details of Sound Signal Appliances	3	Approvals	The construction of sound signal appliances, their performance and their installation on board the vessel <b>shall be to the satisfaction of the appropriate authority of the State</b> whose flag the vessel is entitled to fly	

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- Provisions that require a definite action or determination by the Administration (where "shall" is used in the Convention)  
 - Provisions that require an approval or determination by the Administration (where "approved" is used in the Convention)  
 - Provisions that do not require a definite action by the Administration but may require an action or determination in specific circumstances (where "may" is used in the Convention)

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