

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>SWEDEN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: National Maritime Administration Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: National Board of Trade
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Fire extinguishing systems
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Swedish Maritime Administration Regulations Concerning Amendment to Swedish Maritime Administration Regulation (SJÖ 1985:24) Concerning Fire Safety Measures in Ships to which the 1974 Convention on Safety of Life at Sea Applies
6.	Description of content: The regulation contains guidelines for installation and construction for fire-extinguishing systems as alternative to halon fire-extinguishing systems.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The aim with the regulations is to recognize the urgent necessity to provide guidelines for alternative arrangements for halon fire-extinguishing systems which are prohibited to be installed on board ships.
8.	Relevant documents: Swedish Maritime Administration Regulation (SJÖFS 1985:24) concerning fire safety measures in ships to which the 1974 Convention on Safety of Life at Sea applies. MSC/Circ. 668, Alternative arrangements for halon fire extinguishing systems in machinery spaces and pump rooms. MSC/Circ. 728, Revised test method for equivalent water based fire extinguishing systems for machinery spaces of category A and cargo pump rooms contained in MSC/Circ. 668.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force: } 1 June 2000
10.	Final date for comments: 25 April 2000
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: