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# Navigation Rules



## Synopsis

This book fulfils your legal requirement to have a copy of the Navigation Rules on your vessel. These are the official rules updated and corrected for 2016. They are clearly laid out in plain English. There are links to videos and a code to download a FREE APP. This book includes instructions on how to find the updates at the USCG NAVIGATION RULES centre. If you ever have an accident on the water you have legal reporting requirements. Also there is a body of legal questions and previous experience that you will need to look up online. Relevant FAQ is also available. PART A-GENERAL Rule 1-Application Rule 2-Responsibility Rule 3-General Definitions PART B-STEERING AND SAILING RULES Section/Subpart I-Conduct of Vessels In Any Condition of Visibility Rule 4-Application Rule 5-Look-out Rule 6-Safe Speed Rule 7-Risk of Collision Rule 8-Action to Avoid Collision Rule 9-Narrow Channels Rule 10-Traffic Separation Schemes/Vessel Traffic Services SECTION/SUBPART II-CONDUCT OF VESSELS IN SIGHT OF ONE ANOTHER Rule 11-Application Rule 12-Sailing Vessels Rule 13-Overtaking Rule 14-Head-on Situation Rule 15-Crossing Situation Rule 16-Action by Give-way Vessel Rule 17-Action by Stand-on Vessel Rule 18-Responsibilities Between Vessels Section/Subpart III-Conduct of Vessels In Restricted Visibility Rule 19-Conduct of Vessels in Restricted Visibility PART C-LIGHTS AND SHAPES Rule 20-Application Rule 21-Definitions Rule 22-Visibility of Lights Rule 23-Power-driven Vessels Underway Rule 24-Towing and Pushing Rule 25-Sailing Vessels Underway and Vessels Under Oars Rule 26-Fishing Vessels Rule 27-Vessels Not Under Command or Restricted in Their Ability to Maneuver Rule 28-Vessels Constrained by Their Draft Rule 29-Pilot Vessels Rule 30-Anchored Vessels and Vessels Aground Rule 31-Seaplanes PART D-SOUND AND LIGHT SIGNALS Rule 32-Definitions Rule 33-Equipment for Sound Signals Rule 34-Manoeuvring and Warning Signals Rule 35-Sound Signals in Restricted Visibility Rule 36-Signals to Attract Attention Rule 37-Distress Signals PART E-EXEMPTIONS Rule 38-Exemptions If you ever have an accident look at this online information before you do anything. Responsibility is a legal concept. AROUND-THE-WORLD SAILING GUIDE.

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The official navigation rules are something that every boater should own. If your vessel is large enough or operating in international waters, you are legally required to have it aboard and understand its contents. Regardless of whether you have to have it aboard, if you go out on the water you have to understand what the rules are and what your obligations are to avoid collisions. Think you don't need it? Collisions are the most serious boating accident, and virtually every collision is later determined to be avoidable by later investigation, had the operators been closely following the Nav Rules. Here's the problem, though, if you rely on the Official Navigation Rules as your only reference: this edition of the rules is technical, and illustrated, but is often incomprehensible. The diagrams are schematic by necessity, but they are not useful if you're trying to decide what to do out in the real world. New boaters will be easily confused by the situations, since there's no perspective on what is a typical or atypical scenario. Experienced boaters will be perplexed by the eccentricities of the wording. It is not a tutorial on the rules, and as a reference is decipherable basically if you already know the rules. So what are you to do, if you have to know the Navigation Rules? You have to own this book. And then you have to learn the rules. There are numerous other sources for the knowledge. You should have a basic seamanship reference, such as Chapman's or the Annapolis Seamanship book. You should probably also take a boating safety class at your local US Coast Guard Auxiliary or US Power Squadron, both of which cover the navigation rules.

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