
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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MERCHANT SHIPPING

The Merchant Shipping (Watercraft) Order 2023

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THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (WATERCRAFT) ORDER 2023

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Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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Explanatory Note