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3. Table 4, paragraph 16 of § 706.2 is amended by adding, in numerical order, the following entry for USS Roosevelt:

§ 706.2 Certifications of the Secretary of the Navy under Executive Order 11964 and 33 U.S.C. 1605.

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TABLE 4

Vessel					Number	Obstruction angle relative ship's headings	
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USS Roosevelt					DDG 80	101.70 thru 112.50°	

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4. Table 5 of § 706.2 is amended by adding, in numerical order, the following entry for USS Roosevelt:

§ 706.2 Certifications of the Secretary of the Navy under Executive Order 11964 and 33 U.S.C. 1605.

TABLE 5

Vessel No		Masthead lights not over all other lights and obstruc- tions. annex I, sec. 2(f)	Forward mast- head light not in forward quarter of ship. annex I, sec. 3(a)	After masthead light less than ½ ship's length aft of forward masthead light. annex I, sec. 3(a)	Percentage hori- zontal separation attained.
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USS Roosevelt	DDG 80	X *	X *	X *	13.7

Approved: February 4, 2000.

G.A. Cervi,

Lieutenant Commander, JAGC, U.S. Navy,, Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General (Admiralty and Maritime Law).

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

32 CFR Part 706

Certifications and Exemptions Under the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD. **ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy is amending its certifications and exemptions under the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972 (72 COLREGS), to reflect that

the Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General of the Navy (Admiralty and Maritime Law) has determined that USS *Tornado* (PC 14) is a vessel of the Navy which, due to its special construction and purpose, cannot fully comply with certain provisions of the 72 COLREGS without interfering with its special function as a naval ship. The intended effect of this rule is to warn mariners in waters where 72 COLREGS apply.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 24, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lieutenant Commander Gregg A. Cervi, JAGC, U.S. Navy Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General (Admiralty and Maritime Law), Office of the Judge Advocate General, Navy Department, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, DC 20374–5066, Telephone number: (202) 685–5040.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the authority granted in 33 U.S.C. 1605, the Department of the Navy amends 32 CFR part 706. This amendment provides notice that the Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General of the Navy (Admiralty and

Maritime Law), under authority delegated by the Secretary of the Navy, has certified that USS Tornado (PC 14) is a vessel of the Navy which, due to its special construction and purpose, cannot fully comply with the following specific provisions of 72 COLREGS without interfering with its special function as a naval ship: Rule 23(a)(ii) pertaining to vessels more than 50 meters in length exhibiting a second masthead light; Annex I paragraph 2(k) pertaining to placement of the forward anchor light not less than six meters above the hull and not less than 4.5 meters above the after anchor light; and, Rule 21(c) pertaining to the placement of the stern light as nearly as practicable at the stern. The Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General of the Navy (Admiralty and Maritime Law) has also certified that the lights involved are located in closest possible compliance with the applicable 72 COLREGS requirements.

Moreover, it has been determined, in accordance with 32 CFR parts 296 and 701, that publication of this amendment for public comment prior to adoption is impracticable, unnecessary, and contrary to public interest since it is based on technical findings that the placement of lights on this vessel in a manner differently from that prescribed herein will adversely affect the vessel's ability to perform its military functions.

List of Subjects in 32 CFR Part 706

Marine safety, Navigation (water), and Vessels.

Accordingly, 32 CFR part 706 is amended as follows:

PART 706—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 32 CFR part 706 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1605.

2. Table 3 of § 706.2 is amended by adding, in numerical order, the following entry for USS *Tornado*:

§ 706.2 Certifications of the Secretary of the Navy under Executive Order 11964 and 33 U.S.C. 1605.

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TABLE 3

Vessel	No.	Masthead lights arc of visibility; rule 21(a)	Side lights arc of visi- bility; rule 21(b)	Stern light arc of visi- bility; rule 21(c)	Side lights distance in- board of ship's sides in meters 3(b) annex	Stern light, distance for- ward of stern in me- ters; rule 21(c)	Forward an- chor light, height above hull in meters; 2(K) annex 1	Anchor lights rela- tionship of aft light to forward light in meters 2(K) annex
*	*	*	•	*	*	*		*
USS Tornado	PC-14					27.8 ¹	3.01	1.1 below
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¹ Only when towing.

Approved: January 24, 2000.

G.A. Cervi.

Lieutenant Commander, JAGC, U.S. Navy, Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General (Admiralty and Maritime Law).

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

32 CFR Part 706

Certifications and Exemptions Under the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD. **ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy is amending its certifications and exemptions under the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972 (72 COLREGS), to reflect that the Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General (Admiralty) of the Navy has determined that USS *Benfold* (DDG 65) is a vessel of the Navy which, due to its special construction and purpose,

cannot comply fully with certain provisions of the 72 COLREGS without interfering with its special function as a naval ship. The intended effect of this rule is to warn mariners in waters where 72 COLREGS apply.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 5, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lieutenant Commander G. A. Cervi, JAGC, U.S. Navy Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate (Admiralty and Maritime Law), Office of the Judge Advocate General, Navy, Department, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374–5066, Telephone number: (202) 685–5040.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the authority granted in 33 U.S.C. 1605, the Department of the Navy amends 32 CFR part 706. This amendment provides notice that the Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General (Admiralty and Maritime Law) of the Navy, under authority delegated by the Secretary of the Navy, has certified that USS Benfold (DDG 65) is a vessel of the Navy which, due to its special construction and purpose, cannot comply fully with the following specific provisions of 72 COLREGS without interfering with its special function as a naval ship: Annex I, paragraph 3(a) pertaining to the horizontal distance between the forward and after masthead lights. The Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General

(Admiralty and Maritime Law) has also certified that the lights involved are located in closest possible compliance with the applicable 72 COLREGS requirements.

Moreover, it has been determined, in accordance with 32 CFR parts 296 and 701, that publication of this amendment for public comment prior to adoption is impracticable, unnecessary, and contrary to public interest because it is based on technical findings that the placement of lights on this vessel in a manner different from that prescribed herein will adversely affect the vessel's ability to perform its military functions.

List of Subjects in 32 CFR part 706

Marine safety, Navigation (water), and Vessels.

PART 706—[AMENDED]

Accordingly, 32 CFR part 706 is amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 32 CFR part 706 continues to read:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1605.

2. Table 5 of § 706.2 is amended by revising the entry for USS *Benfold* to read as follows:

§ 706.2 Certifications of the Secretary of the Navy under Executive Order 11964 and 33 U.S.C. 1605.

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