

CHAPTER 8

INTERIM EMERGENCY PROCEDURES AND COMMUNICATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR U.S. MERCHANT SHIPS IN TIMES OF CRISIS, CONFLICT, NATIONAL EMERGENCY OR WAR

Chapter 8 sets forth instructions and procedures for U.S. merchant vessels which will ensure a rapid and smooth transition from a peacetime status to that of war upon outbreak of hostilities. This chapter is intended to serve as interim emergency instructions only. Further instructions will be issued upon arrival in port.

Masters and GMDSS Equipment Operators are urged to become familiar with the instruments contained in this chapter in order to receive maximum protection from U.S. Naval Forces.

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