

PART C - LIGHTS AND SHAPES

Rule 20 - Application

- (a) Rules in this part shall be complied with in all weathers.
- (b) The Rules concerning lights shall be complied with from sunset to sunrise, and during such times no other lights shall be exhibited, except such lights as cannot be mistaken for the lights specified in these Rules or do not impair their visibility or distinctive character, or interfere with the keeping of a proper look-out.
- (c) The lights prescribed by these Rules shall, if carried, also be exhibited from sunrise to sunset in restricted visibility and may be exhibited in all other circumstances when it is deemed necessary.
- (d) The Rules concerning shapes shall be complied with by day.
- (e) The lights and shapes specified in these Rules shall comply with the provisions of Annex I to these Regulations.

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In all weathers Rule 20 (a)



Rules shall be complied with in all weathers even if moonlight give the impression that vessels can be seen without lights

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Lights shall be shown Rule 20 (b), (c)

- From sunset to sunrise (AT NIGHT)
- From sunrise to sunset (BY DAY)
 - In restricted visibility
 - When deemed necessary

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Lights shall be shown Rule 20 (b)

Ship at night

At night all ships must carry the prescribed navigation lights



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In all weathers Rule 20 (a)

Ship by day

In restricted visibility, vessels must also show their navigation lights (or other lights) by day



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Lights that may create confusion Rule 20 (b)

- Other lights than those prescribed
 - Lights that impair the visibility or distinctive character of those prescribed
 - Lights that interfere with the keeping of a proper look-out
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- Red or green curtains, deck lights, light in the wheelhouse, instrument control lights, lights shining outward, etc.

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Lights that may create confusion Rule 20 (b)

From sunset to sunrise, no other lights shall be exhibited



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Lights that may create confusion Rule 20 (b)

The use of deck lights for a vessel underway should be avoided



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Lights that may create confusion Rule 20 (b)



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Lights that may create confusion Rule 20 (b)

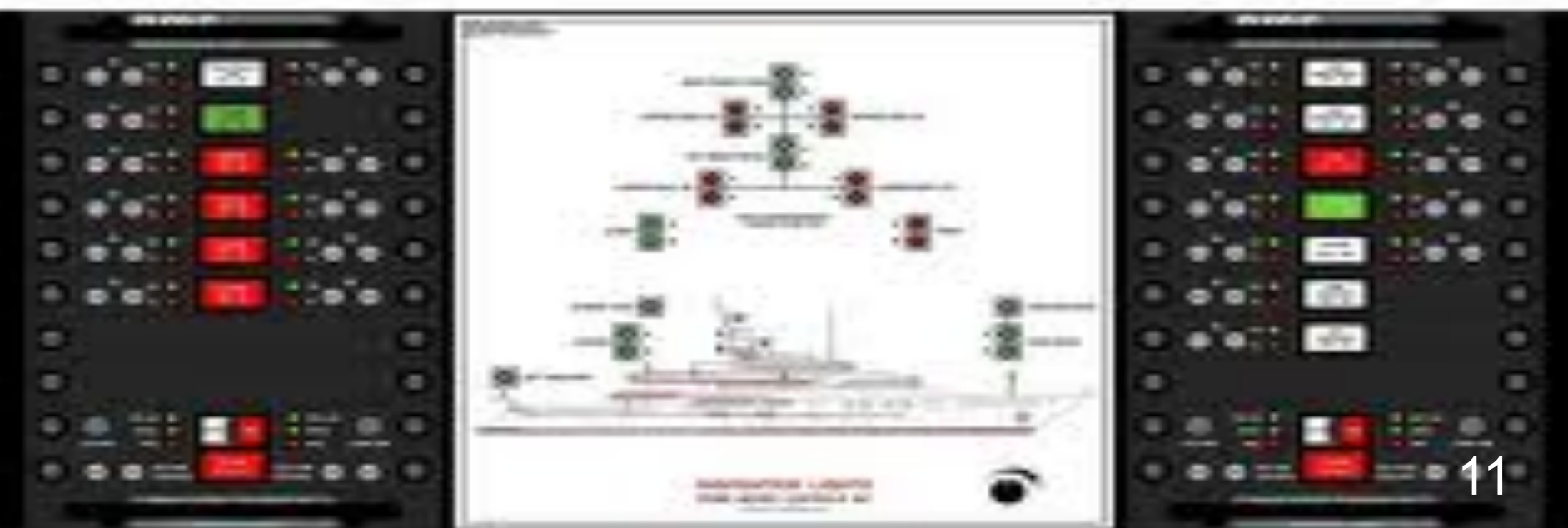
Red or green curtains may be mistaken for navigation lights



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Lights that may create confusion Rule 20 (b)

Instrument control lights in the wheelhouse may reflect in the windowpanes



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Lights that may create confusion Rule 20 (b)

Vessels engaged in fishing use work lights



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Shapes Rule 20 (d), (e)



Ball



Cone



Cylinder



Diamond

Shapes shall be complied with by day. At twilight, both shapes and lights should be exhibited

For technical date, see Annex I

The vertical distance between shapes shall be at least 1.5 metres.

In a vessel of less than 20 metres in length shapes of lesser dimensions but commensurate with the size of the vessel may be used and the distance apart may be correspondingly reduced