

or other location designated by the port director. The report of arrival, except as supplemented in local instructions issued by the port director and made available to interested parties by posting in Customs offices, publication in a newspaper of general circulation, and other appropriate means, shall be made by any means of communication to the port director or to a Customs officer assigned to board the vessel. The Customs officer may require the production of any documents or papers deemed necessary for the proper inspection/examination of the vessel, cargo, passenger, or crew.

(b) For purposes of this part, "foreign port or place" includes a hovering vessel, as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1401(k), and any point in Customs waters beyond the territorial sea or on the high seas at which a vessel arriving in a port or place in the U.S. has received merchandise.

(c) In the case of certain vessels arriving either in distress or for the limited purpose of taking on certain supplies and departing within a 24-hour time period without having landed or taken on any passengers or other merchandise (see section 441(4), Tariff Act of 1930, as amended), the report may be filed by either the master, owner, or agent, and shall be in the form and give the information required by that statute, except that the report need not be under oath. A derelict vessel shall be considered one in distress and any person bringing it into port may report its arrival.

(d) The report of baggage and merchandise required to be made by certain passenger vessels making three or more trips a week between U.S. and foreign ports and vessels used exclusively as ferryboats carrying passengers, baggage, or merchandise (see section 441(2), Tariff Act of 1930, as amended), is in addition to the required report of arrival, and shall be made within 24 hours of arrival.

[T.D. 93-96, 58 FR 67315, Dec. 21, 1993, as amended by T.D. 94-44, 59 FR 23795, May 9, 1994]

§ 4.3 Vessels required to enter.

(a) Except as specified in section 441, Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, or as otherwise specified in this part, every

American vessel arriving in the U.S. from a foreign port or place and every foreign vessel arriving at a port in the U.S. from another such port or from a foreign port or place shall make entry at the customhouse within 48 hours after arrival of a vessel, in accordance with § 4.9.

(b) For the purposes of the vessel entry requirement in this section and § 4.9, a "foreign port or place" includes a hovering vessel, as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1401(k), and any point in the Customs waters beyond the territorial sea or on the high seas at which a vessel arriving in a port or place in the U.S. has received merchandise, or a vessel on the high seas when the vessel arriving in the U.S. is returning from that vessel on the high seas after having transported merchandise out of the U.S. to the vessel on the high seas and there transshipped the merchandise to that vessel.

(c) For purposes of the vessel entry requirement in this section and § 4.9, a "foreign port or place" shall include a vessel on the high seas when the vessel arriving in the U.S. is returning from the vessel on the high seas after having—

(1) Transported export merchandise out of the U.S. to the vessel on the high seas and there transshipped the merchandise to that vessel; or

(2) Transported import merchandise to the U.S. from the vessel on the high seas after having there received the merchandise from that vessel.

[28 FR 14596, Dec. 31, 1963, as amended by T.D. 83-214, 48 FR 46511, Oct. 13, 1983; T.D. 85-91, 50 FR 21428, May 24, 1985; T.D. 85-123, 50 FR 29952, July 23, 1985; T.D. 93-96, 58 FR 67316, Dec. 21, 1993]

§ 4.3a Penalties for violation of vessel reporting and entry requirements.

Violation of the arrival or entry reporting requirements provided for in this part may result in the master being liable for certain civil and criminal penalties, as provided under 19 U.S.C. 1436, in addition to other penalties applicable under other provisions of law. The penalties include civil monetary penalties for failure to report arrival or make entry, and any conveyance used in connection with any such

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violation is subject to seizure and forfeiture. Further, if any merchandise (other than sea stores or the equivalent for conveyances other than a vessel) is involved in the failure to report arrival or entry, additional penalties equal to the value of merchandise may be imposed, and the merchandise may be seized and forfeited unless properly entered by the importer or consignee. The criminal penalties, applicable upon conviction, include fines and imprisonment if the master intentionally commits any violation of these reporting and entry requirements or if prohibited merchandise is involved in the failure to report arrival or make entry.

[T.D. 93–96, 58 FR 67316, Dec. 21, 1993]

§ 4.4 Panama Canal; report of arrival required.

Vessels which merely transit the Panama Canal without transacting any business there shall be required to report their arrival because of such transit. The report of arrival shall be made in accordance with § 4.2(a).

[T.D. 79–276, 44 FR 61956, Oct. 29, 1979]

§ 4.5 Government vessels.

(a) No report of arrival or entry shall be required of any vessel owned by, or under the complete control and management of the United States or any of its agencies, if such vessel (1) is manned wholly by members of the uniformed services of the United States, by personnel in the civil service of the United States, or by both, and (2) is transporting only property of the United States or passengers traveling on official business of the United States, or it is ballast. However, if any cargo is on board, the master or commander of each such vessel arriving from abroad shall file a Cargo Declaration, Customs Form 1302, or an equivalent form issued by the Department of Defense, in duplicate. The original of each Cargo Declaration or equivalent form required under this paragraph shall be filed with the port director within 48 hours after the arrival of the vessel. The other copy shall be made available for use by the discharging inspector at the pier. See § 148.73 of this chapter with respect to baggage on car-

riers operated by the Department of Defense.

(b) The arrival of every vessel owned or controlled and manned as described in paragraph (a) of this section but transporting other property or passengers, and every vessel so owned or controlled but not so manned, whether in ballast or transporting cargo or passengers, shall be reported in accordance with § 4.2 and the vessel shall be entered in accordance with § 4.9.

(c) Every vessel owned by, or under the complete control and management of, any foreign nation shall be exempt from or subject to the laws relating to report of arrival and entry under the same conditions as a vessel owned or controlled by the United States.

[28 FR 14596, Dec. 31, 1963, as amended by 39 FR 10897, Mar. 22, 1974; T.D. 83–213, 48 FR 46978, Oct. 17, 1983]

§ 4.6 Departure or unloading before report or entry.

(a) No vessel which has arrived within the limits of any Customs port from a foreign port or place shall depart or attempt to depart, except from stress of weather or other necessity, without reporting and making entry as required in this part. These requirements shall not apply to vessels merely passing through waters within the limits of a Customs port in the ordinary course of a voyage.

(b) The “limits of any Customs port” as used herein are those described in § 101.3(b) of this chapter, including the marginal waters to the 3-mile limit on the seaboard and the waters to the boundary line on the northern and southern boundaries.

(c) Violation of this provision may result in the master being liable for certain civil penalties and the vessel to arrest and forfeiture, as provided under 19 U.S.C. 1436, in addition to other penalties applicable under other provisions of law.

[T.D. 93–96, 58 FR 67316, Dec. 21, 1993, as amended by T.D. 98–74, 63 FR 51287, Sept. 25, 1998]

§ 4.7 Inward foreign manifest; production on demand; contents and form.

(a) The master of every vessel arriving in the United States and required to make entry shall have on board his