

*Rules and Regulations for the government of the Engineers employed in the U. S. Revenue Marine.*

In order to prevent any misunderstanding as to rank, privileges, &c., the following regulations are prescribed, until a revision of the General Regulations shall be made, and detailed rules for the government of the Engineers shall be thereto appended.

*Article 1.* It is to be distinctly understood that no Engineer shall exercise any authority over a commissioned sea or deck officer, nor shall the vessel under any circumstances be left in their charge.

*Article 2.* The Engineers are bound to render obedience to the officer of the deck, whether it be the third lieutenant or commander.

*Article 3.* In the distribution of state-rooms, the first lieutenant will occupy the starboard after one, and the Chief Engineer the larboard one; the second lieutenant the next on the starboard side, and the third lieutenant that on the larboard side; the Assistant Engineer the starboard room forward, and the pilot (when one is employed) that on the larboard side.

*Article 4. The Chief Engineer.*—It is the duty of the Chief Engineer to see that the engines and all matters connected with his department are always in order for immediate use; that no combustibles are kept in exposed situations in the engine room. He will keep a regular journal, noting the correct time steamed, the number of revolutions made, speed, quantity of coal consumed each day, the kind of coal, anthracite or bituminous; the quantity on hand, remarking the quality of coal, different kinds compared; and, in fact, every thing worthy of noting in his department. A copy of the journal he will deliver to the commander on the first day of each month, to be transmitted to this Department. In these duties he will be assisted by the Assistant Engineer, who will be subject to his orders. He will make daily reports to the commander of the condition of all matters connected with his department.

*Article 5. The Assistant Engineer.*—He will, under the orders of the Chief Engineer, render to that officer all the aid in his power to enforce the foregoing articles; and, in the absence of the Chief Engineer, the duties therein will devolve upon him, and he will be responsible for their execution.

*Article 6.* When not steaming, and their services not required in the engine room, the services of the firemen, coal-heavers, &c., must be rendered on deck, if required by the deck officer, to trim sails, wash decks, &c., &c.

*Article 7.* The Engineers, firemen, coal-heavers, &c., will be held subject to the General Regulations for the government of the service.

*Article 8. Uniform.*—The dress of the Chief Engineers will be the same as the first lieutenants, omitting the epaulet and strap, and with the addition of the Treasury arms embroidered in gold on each side of the collar. Assistant Engineers same as third lieutenants, omitting the epaulet and strap, and with the addition of the Treasury arms embroidered in silver on each side of the collar.

R. J. WALKER, *Secretary of the Treasury.*

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