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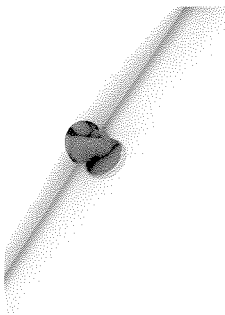
ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and of Our other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith, to all to whom these Presents shall come,

GREETING!

WHEREAS, WE are desirous of recognising those who have rendered meritorious service in the Merchant Navy and Fishing Fleets of the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands and the British overseas territories.

We do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, institute and create a new Medal and We do hereby direct that it shall be governed by the following rules and ordinances:-

*First: Style.* - It is ordained that The Medal shall be designated and styled "The Merchant Navy Medal for Meritorious Service".



*Secondly: Description.* - It is ordained that the Award shall be circular in form and in silver, bearing on the obverse the Crowned Effigy of The Sovereign, and on the reverse the inscription “For Meritorious Service”, and a design emblematic of the Merchant Navy.

*Thirdly: Name of Recipient.* - It is ordained that the name of the recipient shall be engraved or stamped on the rim of the Medal.

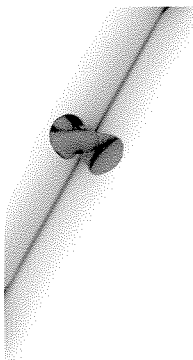
*Fourthly: Ribbon.* - It is ordained that the Medal shall be worn by recipients on the left breast suspended on a ribbon one-and-a-quarter inches in width of which shall be in colour green with on either side a red stripe, and a white stripe in the centre.

*Fifthly: Eligibility.* - It is ordained that the Medal shall be awarded only to those of Our Faithful Subjects and Others who have served in the Merchant Navy or Fishing Fleets of the United Kingdom, Isle of Man, the Channel Islands and the British overseas territories

who shall have rendered such devotion to duty and exemplary service as shall have been of particular value and constituted an outstanding example to others.

*Sixthly: Order of Wear.* - It is ordained that in the official list showing the order in which Orders, Decorations and Medals shall be worn, The Merchant Navy Medal for Meritorious Service shall be placed immediately after the Jersey Honorary Police Medal for Long and Meritorious Service.

*Seventhly: Miniatures.* - It is ordained that reproductions of the Medal, known as miniature medals, which may be worn on certain occasions by those to whom the Medal is awarded, shall be approximately half the size of The Merchant Navy Medal for Meritorious Service.



*Eighthly: Registration.* – It is ordained that the names of all those to whom the Medal is awarded shall be recorded in a central Register kept in the Department for Transport.

*Ninthly: Delegated Powers.* – It is ordained that delegated powers to make awards under the terms of this Our Warrant shall be vested in Our Secretary of State for Transport.

*Tenthly: Regulations.* – It is ordained that Our Secretary of State for Transport shall make the Regulations for the carrying into effect of this Our Royal Warrant.

*Eleventhly: Forfeiture and Restoration.* – It is ordained that it shall be competent for Our Secretary of State for Transport to cancel and annul the conferment of the Medal on any person and also to restore a Medal which has been so forfeited.


*Lastly: Annulment* – We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting or dispensing with these rules and ordinances, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Sign Manual.

GIVEN at Our Court at Saint James's  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2020;  
In the sixty-eighth Year of Our Reign.  
By Her Majesty's Command.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lord Brough". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the printed text of the command.

### **The Merchant Navy Medal for Meritorious Service Regulations:**

1. Eligibility for the Medal is limited to those who have served in the Merchant Navy or Fishing Fleets of the United Kingdom, Isle of Man, the Channel Islands and the British overseas territories who have shown devotion to duty and exemplary service which has been of particular value and has constituted an outstanding example to others.
2. The number of recommendations for award of the Medal which may be submitted for approval in any one year shall not exceed 20 (twenty).
3. Recommendations for award of the Medal are to be submitted on the appropriate nomination form.

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4. It will be usual that members of the Merchant Navy and Fishing Fleets shall have completed 20 years' good conduct and exemplary service before being recommended for award of the Medal. Only in exceptional circumstances shall recommendations be considered for those with less than 20 years' service.