

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>NETHERLANDS</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Transport and Public Works Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification can be indicated if different from above: National enquiry point
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Inland waterways shipping
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Decree Amending the Inland Waterways Shipping Decree
6.	Description of content: An indicative summary of the technical regulations appears below:  - Articles 19, 26 and 36 to 44 inclusive of the Inland Waterways Shipping Decree;  - Appendix III. Appendix III contains technical requirements relating to passenger ships and is drawn from the Rules governing the testing of ships navigating the Rhine 1976 (Dutch designation: ROSR 1976) but is a national Regulation in view of its scope.
7.	Objective and rationale: The present Decree has been established to increase safety on inland waterways. Article 28 contains a mutual recognition clause in implementation of Directive 76/135/EEC.
8.	Relevant documents:  - Inland Waterways Shipping Decree (16 July 1987);  - Original explanatory note.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 19 November 1997 Proposed date of entry into force: 20 November 1997

10. Final date for comments: 18 November 1997

The Netherlands will proceed to implement the proposed measure after 45 days if no comments or requests for extension of the time-limit have been received from other Members within that time.

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: