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MATERIALS TRANSPORTATION BUREAU  
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{Docket No. HM-130; Amdt. CGD 74-292}

**PART 146—TRANSPORTATION OR STORAGE OF EXPLOSIVES OR OTHER DANGEROUS ARTICLES OR SUBSTANCES AND COMBUSTIBLE LIQUIDS ON BOARD CARGO VESSELS**

**Portable Tank Gross Weights**

The purpose of these amendments to Part 146 of Title 46, Code of Federal Regulations, is to allow the carriage of a portable tank having a gross weight of 55,000 pounds or less on board a vessel.

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in this rulemaking by notice of proposed rulemaking that was published in the **FEDERAL REGISTER** on June 9, 1975 (40 FR 24532), and by public hearing that was held on July 1, 1975. Ten written comments were received, all of which endorsed the proposed amendment. One of the commenters suggested that paragraphs §§ 146.21-15(b), 146.26-10(b) and 146.26-20(f) should also be amended by striking the figures "20,000" wherever they appear and inserting "55,000" in place thereof. This suggestion has been incorporated in the amendment.

Compliance with these amendments before the effective date is considered by the Bureau as compliance with existing regulations.

In consideration of the foregoing, Part 146 of Title 46 Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

§ 146.05-5 [Amended].

1. By revoking § 146.05-5(h) which increased the gross weight limitation for DOT specification tanks from 8,000 pounds to 20,000 pounds.

§§ 146.21-100, 146.23-100, 146.24-100, 146.25-100, 146.26-100 [Amended].

2. By striking the figures "8,000" and "20,000" wherever they appear in §§ 146.21-100, 146.23-100, 146.24-100, 146.25-200, and 146.26-100 and inserting "55,000" in place thereof.

§ 146.07-1 [Amended].

3. By striking the figure "20,000" in the second and third sentences in § 146.07-1(b) (4) and inserting the figure "55,000" in place thereof.

§§ 146.21-15, 146.26-10, 146.26-20 [Amended].

4. By striking the figure "20,000" wherever it appears in §§ 146.21-15(b), 146.26-10(b), and 146.26-20(f), and inserting the figure "55,000" in place thereof.

Effective: December 31, 1975.

(46 U.S.C. 170(7), 49 CFR 1.53(f))

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