

122C. *Certificate of crew of Malabar vessels.*—Notwithstanding anything contained in rules 112 to 122, the Port Officer, Cochin, may, after such examination as he deems sufficient grant certificates of competency to persons proposed to be employed as the Master, Syrang or Engine Driver of Steam vessels that are registered in Malabar under the provisions of Madras Act 11 of 1890 or under the Indian Ports Act 1908 and are for that reason included in the classes of vessels referred to in rule 6 (a) and 6 (b) and such examination and such certificates shall in the case of the persons acting as Master, Syrang, or Engine Driver of such vessels be deemed to be lawful under the Act and rules. The certificate shall contain such particulars as are sufficient to identify the person certified.

Miscellaneous

123. *Embarking passengers.*—The transfer or taking in of passengers in a steam vessel shall be done only at the prescribed wharves or landing ghauts. In open backwater canal or river, passengers in steam vessels shall not be transhipped from one steam or motor vessel into any other vessel except in case of accidents or other danger to the boats themselves (such as bursting of a boiler or fire on the steamer) which render such transhipment in an open backwater absolutely necessary.

124. *Log Book and Traffic Register.*—(a) It shall be the duty of every owner or master of a vessel to maintain a log book or diary in each vessel showing the time of departure from starting stations, time of arrival, number of passengers at the starting station, number embarked and disembarked at other stations and stoppage on the way enroute with a column in it for passengers to enter their complaints. A similar register in form appended at the end of the rules—Vide Form L should be maintained at each jetty or wharf by the jetty maistry or wharf superintendent of the P. W. D. for recording the time of arrival or departure of vessel, etc. at the jetty and of the number of passengers found on board the vessels at the time of arrival and departure of the vessels. The owner or master of the vessels should, after necessary verification and before the vessel leaves the jetty attest the entries made in the register.

“(aa) In the case of vessels registered under rule 5 (a) and let out on hire, a log book in form ‘L’ appended to these rules shall be maintained and details of all trips of hire shall be recorded therein duly attested by the Syrang/Driver who will be deemed to be the master of the vessel for the purpose of these rules”.

(b) The owner or master or other person in charge of a vessel shall enter in the log book a detailed account of any accident that may occur as soon after the occurrence as possible. These entries should be shown to the nearest jetty maistry or wharf superintendent within twelve hours of the occurrence of the accident.

¹ Inserted by 4696/P2/70-1; W&P dated 1-8-1974.

(c) In the case of any accident involving the loss of life or property, vessels, that contribute to the accident shall not be moved or changed from their position and from the place of accident and no repairs shall be attended to them until the necessary mahazars of these vessels are prepared and the vessels are ordered to be removed from the place of incident by the Canal Officer.

In the rule accident shall include all incidents by collision, submergence, partially or wholly, whether or not it involves loss of life or property.

(d) The officers in charge at the starting station or on the first checking station on each route shall check every boat running on the route for compliance with safety requirements and shall record in the log book of the boat a certificate of his check (in the following form) before the boat is allowed to proceed on her journey.

Certificate of safety

I have checked the boat at
on her journey from to
and certify that the provisions of the rules, for the safety of passengers are fully complied with.

Signature,	
Designation	
Station	Date

125. *Help to vessels in distress.*—It shall be the duty of steam vessels as also of other classes of boats plying along the water ways to halt and give assistance to vessels in distress.

126. *Each passenger to have one ticket.*—The owner or master of a vessel shall prohibit the issue of a single ticket for more than one passenger.

127. *Admission of excess passengers prohibited.*—The master of a vessel may refuse admission to or remove from his vessel any passenger or passengers in excess of the number which his vessel is licensed to carry.

128. *Orders of Master to be obeyed.*—Any person or persons failing to comply with the order of the master of the vessel in the above respect shall be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty rupees.

129. *Arrest of passengers by Master.*—In the event of a breach of rule 128 and the failure of the passenger or passengers to furnish the master with their correct name and address, the master may arrest the said passenger or passengers and call to his assistance, in doing so, any other persons or passengers on the vessel.

130. *Badges of Crew.*—The master, syrang and drivers of steam vessels other than those solely used for personal purposes shall wear some distinctive badge that may be prescribed by the Chief Engineer so that they may be distinguished readily.

131. *Head dress and light for checking officers.*—Jetty Superintendent, checking officers and their subordinates shall wear a suitable head dress that may be prescribed by the Chief Engineer and use for inspection of vessels during night time such special pattern lights, as may be prescribed by the Chief Engineer and on showing which the boats shall stop.

132. *Circulation of Rules.*—(a) Copy of the rules in English or in Malayalam, shall at the time of taking out a licence or certificate of registration for every vessel other than a raft be given on payment prescribed for a copy to the owner or person in charge thereof, if he has not already got one and his signature taken in the register of licences or certificates in token that he has received or has already in possession a copy of the Navigation rules.

(b) Notices or orders with reference to any matter affecting these vessels may be served by letter or by affixing such notices or orders to the vessel which will then be considered as served on the owner and master of the vessel.

133. *Unless otherwise provided for in the Act.*—(1) An appeal shall lie (a) from the orders of the Canal Officer to the Executive Engineer (b) from the orders of the Executive Engineer and Inspector to the Chief Engineer and (c) from the orders of the Chief Engineer to the Board of Revenue provided that appeals under this sub-rule shall be filed within 30 days from the date of the order complained against.

(2) No second appeal shall lie from the order of any appellate authority.

(3) The appellate authority shall not dispose of the appeal without giving the appellant sufficient opportunity to be heard.

(4) The appellate authority may on the application of the appellant and subject to such terms as it may deem fit, suspend the order appealed against pending disposal of the appeal.

(5) Notwithstanding anything contained in any of sub-rules (1) to (4), it shall be open to the Board of Revenue or the Chief Engineer to revise on its or of his own motion or on the application of any party, any order passed by any subordinate officer, provided that no order shall be passed in revision to the prejudice of any person without giving him an opportunity to present his case.

(Sd.)

Chief Inspector of Boats.

APPENDIX A

Fees for grant of Licences

	Rs.
1. (a) Steam or motor boat, per ton of registered tonnage	16.00
(b) Vallams used and owned by Navikathozhilali per ton of registered tonnage	1.00
2. Other vessels per ton of registered tonnage	2.00
3. Rafts of timber and bamboos per 100 square feet or fraction thereof	1.00
4. Rafts of bamboos per 100 square feet or fraction thereof	0.50
5. Copy of licence or registration certificate if the original is lost or if the expired licence or registration certificate is not produced on renewal	2.00
6. First copy of the crew certificate	10.00
7. Subsequent copy of the crew certificate	15.00
8. Copies of D1 and D2 certificates each (Penalty)	2.00 ¹ ;
9. Additional fee for the renewal after the date of expiry of 'A' form licence of steam and motor boats upto 10.16 metric tonnes per quarter	5.00
Additional fee for the renewal after the date of expiry of 'A' form licence of steam and motor boats from 10.16 metric tonnes to 101.605 metric tonnes per quarter	10.00
Additional fee for the renewal after the date of expiry of 'A' form licence of steam and motor boats above 101.605 metric tonnes per quarter	15.00
Additional fee for the renewal after the date of expiry of 'A' form licence for other vessels per half year per vessel.	1.00

¹. Amended by 19477/P2/73/W & P dated 1-8-1975 with effect from 1-10-1975.

¹. Inserted by G. O. Rt. 468/72/W & P dated 15-12-1972.

APPENDIX B
Registration Fees

	Rs.
1. Vessels other than steam or motor boats intended for personal use.	4.00
2. Steam or motor boats intended for personal use	<u>80.00</u>
3. Annual renewal of registration of vessels other than steam or motor boats intended for personal use	4.00
4. Annual renewal of the registration certificates of the steam and motor boats intended for personal use	<u>80.00</u> ;
5. Additional fee for the renewal after the date of expiry of certificate of registration of steam and motor boats upto 10.16 metric tonnes per quarter	<u>5.00</u>
Additional fee for the renewal after the date of expiry of certificate of registration of steam and motor boats from 10.16 metric tonnes to 101.605 metric tonnes per quarter	<u>10.00</u>
Additional fee for the renewal after the date of expiry of certificate of registration of steam and motor boats above 101.605 metric tonnes per quarter	15.00
Additional fee for the renewal after the date of expiry of certificate of registration for other vessels per half year per vessel.	<u>1.00</u>

APPENDIX C

(Vide Rule 79)

Fees for the grant of Inspection Certificate to Steam Vessels

	Rs.
1. For vessels of less than 10 tons	25.00
2. For vessels of 10 tons and above up to 25 tons	30.00
3. For vessels of 25 tons and above up to 50 tons	<u>40.00</u>
4. For vessels of 50 tons and above	50.00
5. For vessels of 100 tons and up to 200 tons	80.00
6. For vessels of 200 tons and up to 400 tons	100.00
7. For vessels of 400 tons and up to 800 tons	120.00

N.B.—For special inspection i.e. first inspection of vessel and inspection conducted after expiry of the validity of last certificate issued for a vessel, double the rate prescribed above.”;

1. Amended by 19477/P2/73/W&P dated 1-8-1975 with effect from 1-10-1975.

2. Inserted by G. O. Rt. 468/72/W&P dated 15-12-1972.

APPENDIX D

Fees for the renewal of competency certificates

	Rs.
1. Fees for the renewal of Master's Engine driver's or Syrang's certificate	9.00
2. Fees for the renewal of a Lascar's competency certificate	3.00
3. Fees for the renewal of Master's, Engine Driver's, or Syrang's certificate which has lapsed	11.00
4. Fees for the renewal of a lascar's certificates which has lapsed	5.00
5. Fees for the issue of probationary Licence	5.00;

These amendments shall come into force from 1st October, 1975.

FORM A

[Vide Rule 4 (a)]

Annual licence for vessels other than rafts

Record of suspension of licence

Signature of the officer ordering suspension	Place	Clause of suspension	Period of suspension	
			To	From

This licence is granted to permit the vessel noted below to navigate the canal according to the Notification issued under Act VI of 1096.

Number of licence

Owner's name

Owner's residence

Description of vessel

Place where vessel was built

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Year in which vessel was built

Extreme dimensions { Length, feet
Breadth, feet

Measurements of tonnage { Length, feet
Breadth, feet
Depth, feet

Contents, cubic feet

Gross tonnage

Deduction

Registered tonnage

Date of expiry of licence

Amount of licence fee paid, Rs.

Number of passengers licensed to carry

Maximum load to be carried

Navigating Officer and crew to be carried

Other special conditions, if any, required by the licensing officer should be specified here.

Place of issue

Date of issue

Signature of Canal Officer

NOTE:—1. Ten cubic feet of cargo is equivalent to one passenger.
2. This licence is to be returned on renewal or expiry of its term.

FORM B
(Vide Rule 18)

Pass for vessels for which the Certificate Licence has been lost

This pass is granted to permit the vessel noted below to navigate the canal without the certificate of Registration Licence as it is reported that Certificate Licence has been lost. The fee prescribed for issuing a duplicate

Certificate Licence has been paid.

Number of vessel.
Description of vessel.

Place and date of Certificate Licence

Name of owner

Residence of owner

Fees paid, Rs.

Date of issue

Place of issue

Period of currency

Signature of Canal Officer

FORM C
[Vide Rule 4 (c)]
Licence for Raft

This licence is granted to permit the raft noted below to navigate the canal according to the Notification issued under Act VI of 1096.

Number of raft.

Description of raft.

Dimensions { Length, feet.
Breadth, feet.

Superficial areas, square feet.

Number of units of 100 sq. feet or fraction thereof.

Amount of fees paid, Rs.

Date of expiration of the licence.

Rates of fees per unit Timber or Timber and bamboos Bamboos

Rs. P. Rs. P.

Place of issue.....

Date of issue.....

Signature of Canal Officer

Renewal		Date of expiry	Signature of the officer who renews the licence.
Place	Date		

N.B.—This licence is to be returned on renewal or expiry of its term.

FORM D

[Vide Rules 4 (b), 78 and 79 (e)]

Certificate of inspection of steam and motor boats

PART I—MACHINERY

- No. of certificate.
- Owner's name and address.
- Tonnage of the vessel.
- Amount of fee paid.
- Residence or place of incorporation.
- Description of Boiler, Engine, etc.
- car in which they were built.
- Are they all in sound condition and fit for the service and for what period.
- At what pressure may the Boiler be safely worked.
- Are the safety valves correctly set to blow off at this pressure.
- Are the water gauge and all other fittings in order.
- Are the oil or the petrol tanks in good order and do they satisfy all the requirements of clauses from 96 to 98 and 100 to 106 of the Rules, dated 28th July '24.

FORM D

[Vide Rules 4 (b), 78 and 79 (e)]

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- Are the water gauge and all other fittings in order.
- Are the oil or the petrol tanks in good order and do they satisfy all the requirements of clauses from 96 to 98 and 100 to 106 of the Rules, dated 28th July '24.

- Nature of fuel used.
 - Were any repairs, renewals or other conditions needed at the inspection and were they all carried out before the issue of this Certificate, if so, state them here
 - Period for which this certificate shall hold good.
 - No. of passengers the vessel is licensed to carry (as detailed at foot)

1st Cl. No.	}	No. of passengers the vessel is licensed to carry (as detailed at foot)
2nd Cl. No.		
3rd Cl. No.		
- Total No.
- Are the certificates of service or competency of the Master, Engine-Driver and Syrang sufficient as per the Rules.
 - No. and date of the Boiler certificate in the case of steam boats.

Station }
Date } *Signature of Inspector*

NOTE:—1. This certificate as also the certificate in Form D Part II must be carried on the vessel along with the Boiler Certificate in the case of steam boats and produced when called for by any Canal Officer.

2. Nothing in this certificate shall permit of the plying of the vessel beyond the date of expiry of the period of validity as specified in this certificate or resulting from suspension or other causes.

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 - Period for which this certificate shall hold good.
 - No. of passengers the vessel is licensed to carry (as detailed at foot)

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Date } *Signature of Inspector*

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2. Nothing in this certificate shall permit of the plying of the vessel beyond the date of expiry of the period of validity as specified in this certificate or resulting from suspension or other causes.

Details for the number of passengers given against column 16

Part or section of the vessel	Class			Total
	1st	2nd	3rd	
Deck				
Cabin				
Upper deck				
Other parts				
Total				

FORM D

[Vide Rules 4 (b), 77 and 84]

Certificate of inspection of steam and motor boats

PART II—(STABILITY AND EQUIPMENT)

- No. of certificate.
- Description of vessel.
- Extreme dimensions of the vessel } Length ft.
 } Breadth ft.
 } Depth ft.
- Year in which the vessel was built.
- Is the hull of the vessel in good condition and it for the service.
- Has the vessel been tested for stability and found safe for passenger service.

Details for the number of passengers given against column 16

Part or section of the vessel	Class			Total
	1st	2nd	3rd	
Deck				
Cabin				
Upper deck				
Other parts				
Total				

FORM D

[Vide Rules 4 (b), 77 and 84]

Certificate of inspection of steam and motor boats

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- No. of certificate.
- Description of vessel.
- Extreme dimensions of the vessel } Length ft.
 } Breadth ft.
 } Depth ft.
- Year in which the vessel was built.
- Is the hull of the vessel in good condition and it for the service.
- Has the vessel been tested for stability and found safe for passenger service.

- Are the life-buoys, lights, signals, ropes, buckets, sand boxes, etc., such as are prescribed by the Regulations and Rules; and are they all kept ready on board? If so, state them briefly.
 - Are all the fittings and equipments prescribed under the Rules provided on board the vessel?
 - Is the passenger accommodation clean, good and sufficient.
 - Number of passengers the vessel is licensed to carry as detailed at foot and to be painted in the respective parts or sections of the vessel.

1st Class No.	
2nd „ No.	
3rd „ No.	
 - Are sufficient and suitable latrines provided
 - Are protective railings provided wherever necessary
 - What other precautions against fire or other danger necessary
 - Are they provided on board ready for immediate use in emergencies
 - Nature of repairs, renewals or alterations (if any) needed at the time of inspection; were they carried out before the issue of this Certificate?
 - Period for which this certificate shall hold good.
- Station Date } Signature of the Inspector

Station Date } Signature of the Inspector

NOTE :—1. This certificate as also the certificate in Form D Part I, must be carried on the steam vessel along with the Boiler certificate in the case of steam boats, and produced when called for by any Canal Officer.

2. Nothing in this certificate shall permit of the plying of the vessel beyond the date of expiry of the period of validity as specified in this certificate or resulting from suspension or other causes

FORM D

Details for the number of passengers given against column 10

Part or Section of the vessel	Class			Total
	1st	2nd	3rd	
Deck ..				
Cabin ..				
Upper Deck ..				
Other Parts ..				
Total ..				

FORM E
(Vide Rule 19)

Pass for a vessel, the licence of which is suspended to proceed to its destination or place of repair

The pass is granted to permit the vessel noted below to proceed to its destination or place of repairs its licence having been suspended.

Number of vessel :

Place and date of licence :

Name of owner :
Residence of owner :
Period of suspension :
Number of rule infringed :
Place of destination :
Lock or wharf wherever suspension should take effect :

Place :

Date :

Signature of Canal Officer.

FORM F
(Vide Rule 5)

Certificate of registration for vessels intended for personal use of the owners

Record of suspension of the Certificate of Registration					
Period of suspension		Cause of suspension	Place	Date	Signature of the Canal Officer ordering suspension
From	To				

The vessel noted below is registered in accordance with the rules passed under Act VI of 1096 to use the Canal but not to carry goods, animals or passengers for hire or purpose of trade.

Number :

Name of owner :

Residence of owner :

Description of vessel :

Vessel built at :

Year in which the vessel was built :

Amount of the fee paid Rs.

Period for which this certificate holds good :

Date of expiration of the term of this certificate :

Place of issue :

Date of issue :

Signature of the Canal Officer.

A. B.—(i) This certificate will cease to have force and must be surrendered to the Canal Officer who granted it on the person named above as owner ceasing to be the owner of the vessel.

(ii) Any new owner may apply for a fresh registration.

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FORM G
(Vide Rule 113)

Application for a Master's/Driver's/Syrang's/Lascar's Certificate
of Competency/Service under the provisions of the
Travancore Public Canals and Public Ferries
Act (Act VI of 1096)

1. Full name and address of the applicant Date and place of birth	
2. The name of the house, property and taluk to which he belongs	
3. The full name and address of his father or uncle	
4. List of certificate or testimonials, etc., sent in with the application	
5. A full history of previous service, i. e. how and where employed, etc.	
6. Whether as Master, Driver, Syrang, Lascar in a steam launch or factory	
7. Height and other marks of identification	
8. Amount of fees remitted or paid into a treasury. If latter whether the receipt is attached	
9. Orders to be communicated by the officer concerned to the applicant	
10. Date of the application	
11. Signature of applicant	
12. Signature of the Officer	

FORM H

(Vide Rule 118, Canals and Ferries Act VI of 1096)
Certificate of Competency/Lascar/Master/Driver/Syrang

No.

Name:

Son of (father's name):

(Permanent address):

(Temporary address):

Date of birth:

Height:

Marks of identification:

Photo

Signature or thumb impression

NOTE:— When thumb impressions are taken they should be those of all the five fingers of the left hand.

Whereas it has been reported to me that you have been found duly qualified to fulfil the duties of a Lascar/Master/Driver/Syrang on an Inland Steam or Motor Vessel, I do hereby under the provisions of the Rules issued under Act VI of 1096 (Public Canals and Public Ferries Act) grant you the certificate of competency as a Lascar/Master/Driver/Syrang on a Motor/Steam launch fitted with a Prime Mover up to 10, 20 and over 20 H.P. in a vessel of a registered tonnage of under 10, 20 and over 20 tons.

Station:

Date:

Chief Inspector of Boats.

Chief Engineer,
Government of Kerala.

Authorisation to serve in a Public Service Steam or Motor Vessel

So long as this licence is valid and is renewed from time to time, the holder is authorised to serve in a public service steam or motor vessel.

Chief Engineer,
Government of Kerala.

Date:

This licence is hereby renewed up to:—

The	day of	19
The	day of	19
The	day of	19
The	day of	19
The	day of	19

Signature of
Licensing Authority.

Endorsements

Date	Section and Rule	Fine or other punishment	Signature of endorsing authority

Navigation Rules

1. All steam or motor vessels shall be manned by sufficient number of crew as may be determined by the Inspector and no person who in the opinion of the Inspector is not fully qualified or who is unaccustomed to the use of boats or is inefficient shall be employed on such vessels. The Master, Syrahg, Driver and Lascar should possess the certificates prescribed by the rules.

2. Every steam or motor vessel using a public canal shall be in charge of a 'Master' who shall be qualified and hold a certificate to that effect under Rule 115 of the Public Canals and Public Ferries Rules. Such master shall singly and conjointly with the owner or manager of a company owning the vessel be responsible for any or all breaches of the Act. All the crew employed on board a steam vessel shall be under the control and orders of the master of such vessel, who shall see that proper discipline and good conduct is maintained by them. The crew shall on no account interfere with

passengers or behave rudely towards them. Any help or assistance which the passengers may seek in times of need or emergency or accident shall not be interpreted as interference and shall be freely given to passengers by the crew. When the master of a vessel is temporarily absent during a voyage, the syrahg on board the vessels shall be held to be in charge with the powers and responsibilities of the master.

3. Every owner or master of a vessel shall maintain a Log Book or Diary in each vessel showing the time of departure from each landing jetty or wharf, time of arrival at the next landing jetty or wharf, number of passengers at the starting station, number embarked and disembarked at other stations and stoppage on the way en route with a column in it for passengers to enter their complaints. The owner or master or other person in charge of the vessel shall enter in the Log Book a detailed account of any accident that may occur as soon after the occurrence as possible. These entries shall be shown to the nearest jetty maistry or wharf superintendent immediately after arrival at the said landing jetty or wharf and in every case not later than twelve hours of the occurrence of the accident.

N. B.—The term 'accident' shall include all incidents by collision submergence, partially or wholly whether or not it involves loss of life or property.

4. All steam and motor vessels used for passenger service shall always be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition. Decks, cabins, etc. shall be washed down daily and the bilges cleaned and all offensive bilge water and refuse removed and closets effectively disinfected.

5. A vessel licensed to carry passengers may also carry cargo, every 10 cft. of cargo being considered as equivalent to one passenger, but the total of the number of passengers, so calculated and the passengers actually carried shall not exceed the number of passengers which the boat is licensed to carry. No passenger vessel shall carry cargo such as fish, manure, bone, skins or other articles which in the opinion of the Canal Officer are offensive and dangerous.

6. Steam or motor vessels using any of the public canals shall between sunset and sunrise exhibit the following lights:—

When moving

(a) On the starboard side a green light so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of 10 points of the compass or 112½ degrees from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the starboard side.

When anchored

One clear white light at not less than 4' above the water level and so placed that it shall be visible fore and aft.

(b) On the port side, a red light so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of 10 points of the compass or $112\frac{1}{2}$ degrees from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the port side.

The above lights to be fitted within board screens so as to prevent the lights being seen across the beam.

(c) A white light so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of 20 points of the compass or 225 degrees from two points abaft the beam on the one side ahead to two points abaft the beam on the other. The white light to be carried forward of and at a higher level than the coloured side lights of not less than 3 ft.

(d) Small vessels of 20 ft. in length and less may carry a combined lantern fitted with a green glass on the one side and a red glass on the other, so arranged that the green light may not be seen on the port side nor the red light on the starboard side. The combined lantern shall be carried beneath the white light.

7. Vessels passing through public canals shall keep to the left side that is to say vessels going north shall keep to the west and vessels going south shall keep to the east side of the canals. When one vessel overtakes overtaking vessel shall pass outside that is to the right of the overtaken vessel which shall keep as far to the left as possible to give room. In this regard, the Port Rules should be observed while plying in Cochin Harbour.

8. In open water, a steam vessel shall keep out of the way of a vessel under sail.

9. In all public canals other than open backwaters the speed of a steam vessel shall not exceed four miles an hour between sunrise and sunset and three miles an hour between sunset and sunrise. In Varkala Barrier canal and the Alleppey canals the speed shall not exceed three miles an hour. The speed shall be reduced to two miles when passing round bends in Varkala Barrier canal and to three miles an hour when passing round bends in other canals. A steam vessel shall whistle or hoot when within 150 yards of another vessel, wharf locks, or landing ground and shall reduce speed to 3 miles an hour.

Locks, tunnels and wharves shall be approached dead slow, the speed of steam vessels passing through tunnels shall not exceed two miles an hour.

10. No vessel shall moor, load or unload cargo or ship or land passengers within the limits prohibited by notice boards, at any lock or masonry work other than the jetties, quays or wharves specially provided for the purpose. Vessels when moored shall strike sail, and lower masts and shall be made fast stem and stern to the bank in a single line.

11. Steam vessels, shall be warped or pulled and shall not be put under steam or use their propeller or paddle wheels until clear of the lock.

12. The transfer or taking in of passengers in a steam or motor vessel shall be done only at the prescribed wharves or landing ghats. In open backwater, canal or river passengers in steam vessels shall not be transhipped from one steam or motor vessel into any other vessel except from a vessel in distress due to accidents or other danger to the boats themselves (such as bursting of a boiler or fire on the steamer, engine break down, damage to the rudder or machinery and similar, disabilities) which render transshipment in an open backwater absolutely necessary. In such cases however the two vessels shall be made fast to each other so as not to permit of any relative movement or space between the coast. This shall not however apply to vessels which have sprung a leak and are in danger of sinking.

13. The master of vessel in any canal shall report the occurrence on such vessel of any case of cholera, small-pox, etc., or other epidemic diseases at the lock, wharf or licensing station at which the vessel arrives next after such occurrence when he shall report the case to lock or Wharf Superintendent or other Officers of the Public Works Department in charge at such places.

14. No person suffering from leprosy shall be carried on board any vessel licensed to carry passengers unless:

(i) arrangements have been made to the satisfaction of the Canal Officers for the isolation of the person and his attendants during the whole time that they remain on the vessel from other persons carried in the same vessel, and

(ii) any other special precautions which the Canal Officer may consider necessary have been taken to prevent infection being communicated to the persons employed on or travelling in the vessel.

15. It shall be the duty of steam and motor vessels as also other classes or boats plying along the waterways to halt and give assistance to vessels in distress.

16. Every steam vessel shall be furnished with an efficient whistle or hooter and shall whistle or hoot when passing or approaching other vessels or a bend, lock or tunnel.