

**§87-A. Exceptions**

**1. Vessels exempt.** This subchapter does not apply to:

A. Vessels under enrollment; [PL 1985, c. 389, §35 (NEW).]

B. Fishing vessels; [PL 1985, c. 389, §35 (NEW).]

C. Vessels powered predominantly by sail; [PL 1999, c. 355, §7 (AMD).]

D. [PL 2011, c. 498, §1 (RP).]

E. All military ships navigating the Kennebec River to and from the Bath Iron Works Corporation for the purpose of accomplishing overhaul, repair, post shakedown availability and sea trials; [PL 2025, c. 253, §3 (AMD).]

F. Noncommercial foreign vessels with overall length of under 253 feet, except in the case of Portland Harbor; and [PL 2025, c. 253, §4 (AMD).]

G. In the case of Portland Harbor, noncommercial foreign vessels under 350 gross tons for yacht or recreational purposes and noncommercial American vessels under 350 gross tons under registry for yacht or recreational purposes. [PL 2025, c. 253, §5 (NEW).]

[PL 2025, c. 253, §§3-5 (AMD).]

**2. Limitation.** If any such vessel employs a pilot, the pilot is entitled to receive as compensation for that pilot's service pilotage fees in the amount established by the commission.

[PL 1999, c. 355, §7 (AMD).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 1985, c. 389, §35 (NEW). PL 1999, c. 355, §7 (AMD). PL 2011, c. 14, §§1-3 (AMD). PL 2011, c. 498, §1 (AMD). PL 2015, c. 14, §1 (AMD). PL 2025, c. 253, §§3-5 (AMD).

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