

Over Night Rooms For Sale Plus Supper

Overtaken

Not Under Command

Restricted in Maneuverability

Fishing

Sailing

Power-driven

Sea Plane

Rule 18 Responsibilities Between Vessels

Except where Rules 9, 10 and 13 otherwise require:

- (a) A power-driven vessel underway shall keep out of the way of:
- (i) a vessel not under command;
 - (ii) a vessel restricted in her ability to maneuver;
 - (iii) a vessel engaged in fishing;
 - (iv) a sailing vessel.
- (b) A sailing vessel underway shall keep out of the way of:
- (i) a vessel not under command;
 - (ii) a vessel restricted in her ability to maneuver;
 - (iii) a vessel engaged in fishing.
- (c) A vessel engaged in fishing when underway shall, so far as possible, keep out of the way of:
- (i) a vessel not under command;
 - (ii) a vessel restricted in her ability to maneuver.

Notes on Rule 18

- Rule 18 gives a pecking order of who has the right-of-way.
- This rule pertains to only vessels in sight of each other.
- Overtaken vessels would be the trump to all the vessels listed. However, there won't be many situations where a vessel Not Under Command (NUC) would be overtaking another vessel. Despite this, review the memory device to assist you in placing the "privileged" vessels in the right order (see above).
- Keep in mind that the INLAND Rules do NOT recognize vessels Constrained By Draft (CBD).
- INTERNATIONAL Rules states that "any vessel other than a vessel not under command or a vessel restricted in her ability to maneuver" must avoid impeding the safe passage of a vessel that is CBD.
- CBD vessels should be placed between RAM vessels and Fishing vessels in the priority of the of this list. We have left it out since it pertains to only INTERNATIONAL Rules.

International

- (d)(i) Any vessel other than a vessel not under command or a vessel restricted in her ability to maneuver shall, if the circumstances of the case admit, avoid impeding the safe passage of a vessel **constrained by her draft**, exhibiting the signals in Rule 28.
- (ii) A vessel constrained by her draft shall navigate with particular caution having full regard to her special condition.

- (e) A seaplane on the water shall, in general, keep well clear of all vessels and avoid impeding their navigation. In circumstances, however, where risk of collision exists, she shall comply with the Rules of this Part.
- (f) (i) A WIG craft shall, when taking off, landing and in flight near the surface, keep well clear of all other vessels and avoid impeding their navigation;
- (ii) A WIG craft operating on the water surface shall comply with the Rules of this Part as a power-driven vessel.