

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

APPLICATION FOR WAIVER ORDER UNDER NAVIGATION AND VESSEL INSPECTION CIRCULAR NO. 37

1. Name and nationality of vessel SS CAPE MENDOCINO (United States)
2. Name of operator American President Lines, Ltd.
3. Scheduled time of departure of vessel Imminent
4. Mission of vessel Military in character
5. Requirements of law or regulations on which waiver is requested To permit the above named freight vessel to carry not exceeding 2012 persons, consisting of 69 Merchant crew, and 1943 Military passengers
This vessel will carry lifeboats, life rafts and floats of sufficient combined capacity to accommodate all persons on board
6. Period of time for which waiver is requested Completion of mission
7. Extent to which requested waiver will affect the safety of the vessel and the persons on board Not ascertainable
8. Reasons why waiver is necessary It is necessary in the conduct of the war that this vessel sail at the hour and date stated in the orders issued to the Master and that said vessel have aboard passengers in the number indicated in paragraph 5 above. It is impracticable to reconstruct and/or equip said vessel so that she can obtain a certificate authorizing the carriage of passengers in the indicated amount above.

I hereby certify that in my opinion waiver of compliance with the requirements of law specified above is necessary in the conduct of war.

28 March, 1946
Date
San Francisco, California
Place

W. C. FRANCH
Signature of applicant
Marine Superintendent
Title or position



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This is to certify that pursuant to the application on the reverse side hereof a waiver of the requirements of the navigation and vessel inspection laws administered by the Coast Guard has been made effective to the vessel named below to the extent, for the period and under the conditions hereinafter set forth.

1. Name and nationality of vessel SS CAPE MENDOCINO U.S.
2. Requirements of law or regulation waived (give U.S.C. citation of law and concise statement of provision waived) The navigation and vessel inspection laws and the rules and regulations thereunder which are applicable exclusively to passenger-carrying vessels or vessels carrying passengers, and 46 USC 481 and 46 CFR 59.6(e), 159.2(2)(b) concerning boats and rafts required on freight vessels, waived so as to permit the above-named freight vessel to carry not exceeding 2012 persons consisting of 69 merchant crew and 1943 military passengers.

3. Period of time covered by waiver (for example, 10 days, a particular voyage, etc.) Until conditions corrected, return of the vessel to a port of the continental United States, or until waiver order is superseded by competent authority, whichever first occurs.

4. Conditions (if any) to which waiver is subject This vessel shall have on board the required number of life preservers and in addition shall carry a sufficient number of fully equipped lifeboats, life rafts and life floats of sufficient combined capacity to accommodate all persons on board.

No.	Unit	Total capacity
2	Metal lifeboats	50
2	Metal lifeboats	62
4	Metal lifeboats	200
2	Metal lifeboats	116
6	Life rafts	114
41	Floats	2255
4	Floats	100
3	Floats	60
2	Floats	30
		TOTAL: 3019

5. Time within which written application is to be filed with the undersigned in cases where oral application was made _____

John P. Tibbitts
Signature of Coast Guard officer
JOHN P. TIBBITTS, Captain, USCGR
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San Francisco, California

Address

(Place)

29 March 1946

(Date)

Title or position