

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

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

1. Name and nationality of vessel S/S EXPLORER - American steamship.
2. Name of operator American Export Lines, Inc.
3. Scheduled time of departure of vessel _____
4. Mission of vessel movement of military personnel.

5. Requirements of law or regulations on which waiver is requested _____

R.S. 4465 (46 U.S.C. 452)

Carries 2800 troops

Carries 130 crew members

On hand

2 motorboats - capacity 87

4 lifeboats - capacity 146

10 liferafts - capacity 192

89 lifefloats - capacity 2225

15 lifefloats - capacity 225

9 buoyant apparatus - cap. 180

Total cap. 3055

6. Period of time for which waiver is requested for one voyage

7. Extent to which requested waiver will affect the safety of the vessel
and the persons on board none

8. Reasons why waiver is necessary carrying troops.

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

November 17, 1945

Date

San Francisco, Calif.

Place

R. A. Wood

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 S/S EXPLORER - American steamship.
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 R. S. 4488, 46 USC 481 and 46 CFR 59.5(c) concerning boats and rafts required on freight vessels, waived so as to permit the above-named freight vessel to carry not exceeding 2930 persons consisting of 130 merchant crew and 2800 military passengers.

3. Period of time covered by waiver (for example, 10 days, a particular voyage, etc.) This waiver to continue until conditions corrected, return of the vessel to a port of the continental United States, or superseded by competent authority, whichever first occurs. 17, 1945, remain in effect.

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.

Lifesaving Equipment Actually on Board

No.	Unit	Total Capacity
1	Boat	45
1	Boat	45
2	Boats	21
1	Boat	51
1	Boat	51
6	Rafts	180
6	Rafts	180
13	Floats	225
9 Buoyant Apparatus		20
Total Capacity All Units		3055

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

John P. Tibbets
JOHN P. TIBBETS, Capt., U.S.C.G.R.
Signature of Coast Guard officer

San Francisco, California
(Place)
220 Appraisers Building.
Address

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(Date)

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