



**REGULATIONS FOR THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE
REVENUE CUTTER SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES,
WITH
AN APPENDIX
CONTAINING THE LAWS RELATING TO THAT SERVICE.**

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[EXCERPT OF THE 1894 SECTION OF THE *REGULATIONS* RELATING TO PAINTING OF CUTTERS]:

PAINTING VESSELS.

839. Commanding officers shall be governed by the following rules in painting ship:

1. Unless the authority of the Department has been previously obtained they shall make no alterations in the outside paintwork of a vessel which shall tend to materially change her general appearance. Nor shall they, without permission, make any decided change in the paintwork of interior apartments.
2. In repainting a vessel the hull outside above loadwater line shall be either black or white.
3. The bulwarks inside shall be white.
4. The top rail of bulwarks may be white when the hull is black.
5. Masts, bowsprits, doublings, yards, etc., shall be either kept bright or painted yellow.
6. Smokestacks and all fixtures above the houses and decks shall be so painted as to harmonize with the other paintwork.
7. Boats of all vessels shall be painted white outside and the same inside except the bottoms, which may be drab or other suitable color.
8. The outside of the hull from water line up shall be painted not oftener than twice a year; all other outside work, such as inside of bulwarks and outside of houses, shall be painted not oftener than once a year. The berth deck shall be painted not oftener than once in two years; the cabin and wardroom not oftener than once in three years. This is not intended to prohibit the touching up of places where the paint has worn off.

[CHANGES TO THE 1894 SECTION OF THE *REGULATIONS* RELATING TO PAINTING OF CUTTERS]:

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1. Unless the authority of the Department has been previously obtained they shall make no alterations in the outside paintwork of a vessel. Nor shall they, without permission, make any change in the paintwork of interior apartments.
2. In repainting a vessel the hull outside above loadwater line, including top sail, shall be white.
3. The bulwarks inside shall be white.
4. The top rail of bulwarks may be white when the hull is black.
5. Spars, except bowsprits, shall be painted straw color, bowsprit white
6. Smokestacks and all fixtures above the houses and decks shall be straw color.
7. Boats of all vessels shall be painted white outside and the same inside except the bottoms, which shall be lead color.
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