REGULATIONS FOR GARBAGE DISPOSAL AT SEA (ANNEX V OF MARPOL 73/78)

GARBAGE TYPE	OUTSIDE SPECIAL AREAS	IN SPECIAL AREAS
Plastics - includes synthetic ropes and fishing nets and plastic garbage bags	DISPOSAL IS PROHIBITED	DISPOSAL IS PROHIBITED
Floating dunnage, lining and packing materials	DISPOSAL IS PERMITTED ONLY IF THE DISTANCE FROM THE NEAREST LAND IS MORE THAN 25 NAUTICAL MILES	DISPOSAL IS PROHIBITED
Paper, rags, glass, metal, bottles, crockery and similar refuse	DISPOSAL IS PERMITTED ONLY IF THE DISTANCE FROM THE NEAREST LAND IS MORE THAN 12 NAUTICAL MILES	DISPOSAL IS PROHIBITED
All other garbage including paper, rags, glass, etc. comminuted or ground*	DISPOSAL IS PERMITTED ONLY IF THE DISTANCE FROM THE NEAREST LAND IS MORE THAN 3 NAUTICAL MILES	DISPOSAL IS PROHIBITED
Food waste not comminuted or ground	DISPOSAL IS PERMITTED ONLY IF THE DISTANCE FROM THE NEAREST LAND IS MORE THAN 12 NAUTICAL MILES	DISPOSAL IS PERMITTED ONLY IF THE DISTANCE FROM THE NEAREST LAND IS MORE THAN 12 NAUTICAL MILES
Food waste comminuted or ground*	DISPOSAL IS PERMITTED ONLY IF THE DISTANCE FROM THE NEAREST LAND IS MORE THAN 3 NAUTICAL MILES	DISPOSAL IS PERMITTED ONLY IF THE DISTANCE FROM THE NEAREST LAND IS MORE THAN 12 NAUTICAL MILES
Mixed refuse types		**

^{*:} Comminuted or ground garbage must be able to pass thought a screen with mesh size no larger than 25mm.

^{**:} When garbage is mixed with other harmful substances having different disposal or discharge requirements, the more stringent disposal requirements shall apply.