Sea, 1960 (77 Stat. 194, 33 U.S.C. 10511094).
[CGD 76-133, 42 F R 35792, J uly 11, 1977. Redesignated at CGD 81-017, 46 FR 28154, May 26, 1981]

## PART 82-72 COLREGS:

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## §82.1 Purpose.

This part contains the interpretative rules concerning the 72 COLREGS that are adopted by the Coast Guard for the guidance of the public.
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§ 82.3 Pushing vessel and vessel being pushed: Composite unit.
Rule 24(b) of the 72 COLREGS states that when a pushing vessel and a vessel being pushed ahead are rigidly connected in a composite unit, they are regarded as a power-driven vessel and
must exhibit the lights under Rule 23. A "composite unit" is interpreted to be a pushing vessel that is rigidly connected by mechanical means to a vessel being pushed so they react to sea and swell as one vessel. "Mechanical means" does not include the following:
(a) Lines.
(b) Hawsers.
(c) Wires.
(d) Chains.
[CGD 76-133, 42 F R 35792, J uly 11, 1977. Redesignated by CGD 81-017, 46 FR 28154, May 26, 1981]

## § 82.5 Lights for moored vessels.

F or the purposes of Rule 30 of the 72 COLREGS, a vessel at anchor includes a barge made fast to one or more mooring buoys or other similar device attached to the sea or river floor. Such a barge may be lighted as a vessel at anchor in accordance with Rule 30, or may be lighted on the corners in accordance with 33 CFR 88.13.
[CGD 94-011, 63 F R 5731, F eb. 4, 1998]

## § 82.7 Sidelights for unmanned barges.

An unmanned barge being towed may use the exception of COLREGS Rule 24(h). However, this exception only applies to the vertical sector requirements.
[CGD 94-011, 63 F R 5731, F eb. 4, 1998]

