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deck forming a tight enclosure capable of preventing sulfur dust from entering the 'tween decks during loading.

(b) Ceiling must be made tight to prevent sulfur dust from entering the bilges; any chinking necessary in the way of tank tops or bilges must be made of noncombustible material.

(c) Cowl ventilators serving the hold into which sulfur is being loaded or discharged must be opened to provide circulation of air.

(d) No smoking is permitted on board the vessel and "No Smoking" signs must be conspicuously posted.

(e) If a metal chute is used it must be grounded using a flexible cable.

(f) Upon completion of loading, the sulfur must be leveled off. Any decks, bulkheads, or overheads containing sulfur dust must be swept clean or washed down.

(g) Other cargo, which is oxygen bearing, must not be stowed in the same hold with sulfur.

(h) An oxygen breathing apparatus, or proper gas mask, must be made available.

(i) A fire hose, preferably supplied with fresh water from a shore supply source, must be available at each hatch through which sulfur is being loaded.

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**§ 148.04-21 Coconut meal pellets (also known as copra pellets).**

(a) Coconut meal pellets;

(1) Must contain at least 6 percent and not more than 13 percent moisture and not more than 10 percent residual fat contents;

(2) Must not be loaded if the temperature exceeds 120 °F;

(3) Must not be stowed within 4 feet of any bulkheads subject to artificial heat; and

(4) Must not be overstowed with any other cargo.

(b) A clear space of at least 1 foot must be provided between the top of the cargo and underside of deck beams.

**§ 148.04-23 Unslaked lime in bulk.**

(a) Unslaked lime in bulk must be transported in unmanned, all steel, double-hulled barges equipped with weathertight hatches or covers. The barge must not carry any other cargo while unslaked lime is on board.

(b) The originating shipping order and transfer shipping paper requirement in §148.02-1 and the dangerous cargo manifest requirements in §148.02-3 do not apply to the transportation of unslaked lime under paragraph (a) of this section.

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