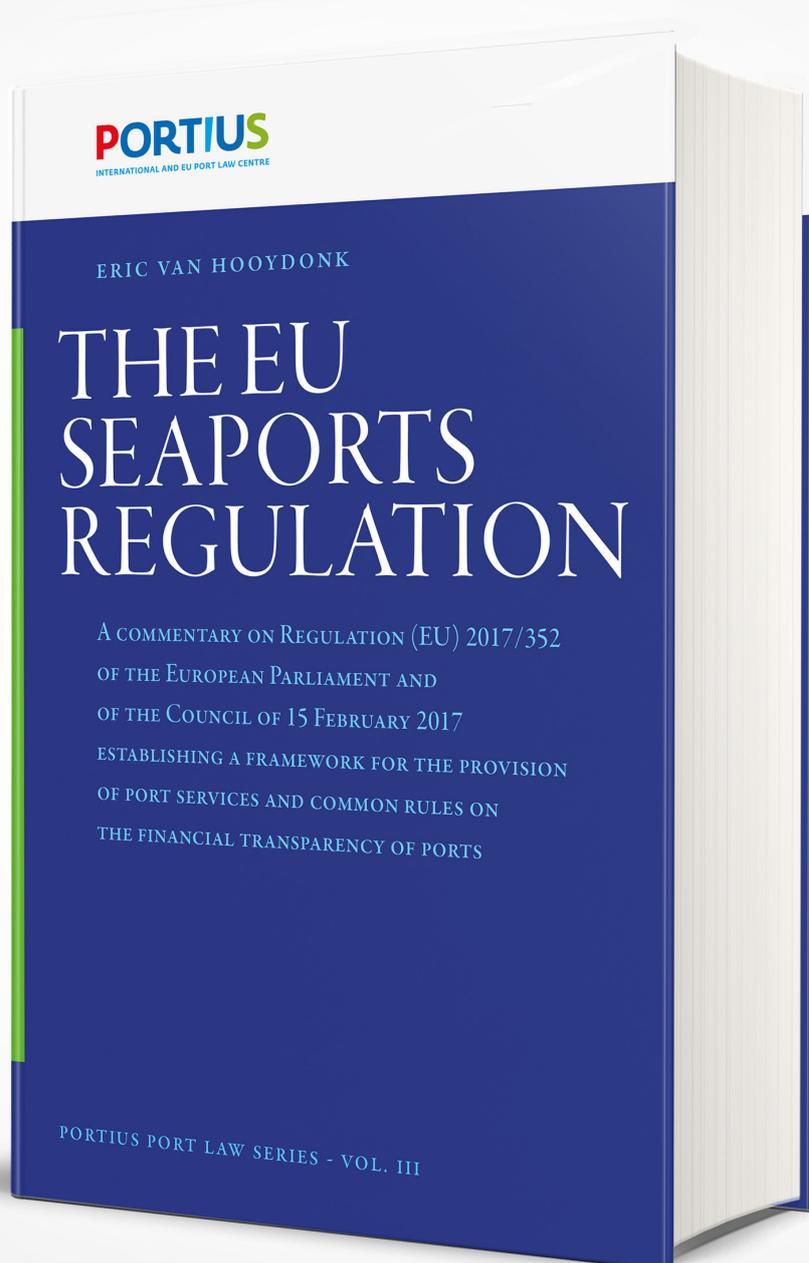


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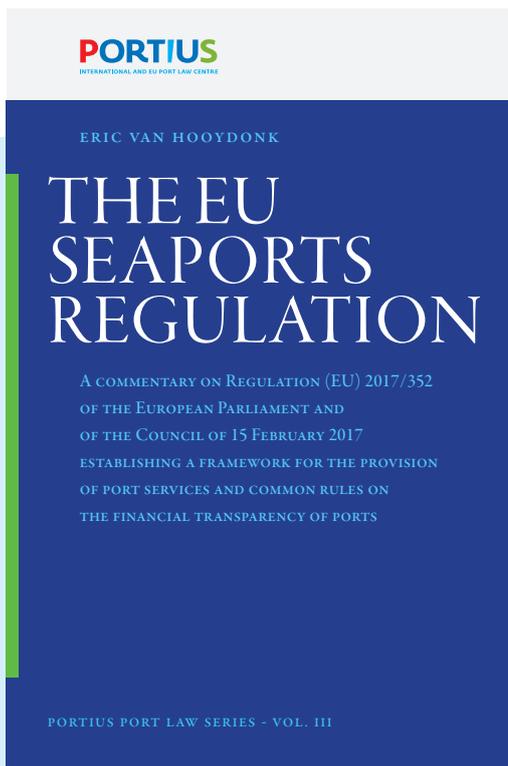
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- Can **minimum requirements** be imposed on **all port operators**, or only in **specific cases**?
- Can or should the rules on **minimum requirements** be **combined** with those on **limitations on the number of providers** or on **public service obligations**?
- Can a **national flag requirement** for tugs or mooring boats be imposed, or should the operator at least be able to choose between **EU flags**?
- Can a **monopoly** be established simply because the **local market is too small to allow competition** between two or more providers?
- Should an **open selection procedure** be organised for **licences** only or also for rights to use land or water areas such as **leases or land or public domain concessions**?
- Can licences and concessions be **renewed without a new selection procedure**?
- How to proceed when a contract is covered both by the Regulation and by the national legislation transposing the **EU Public Procurement or Concessions Directive**?
- What impact do the Regulation and the most recent EU case law have on the **designation of cargo and passenger terminal operators**?
- **Which pilotage services exactly** are covered by the **new tariff rules** and what are their practical implications?
- How to **distinguish practically** between **port service** and **port infrastructure charges**?
- Are there any requirements on the **minimum or maximum level of port infrastructure charges**?
- What does the requirement that the **port infrastructure charges** must comply with **competition law** exactly mean?
- Is it possible to entrust a **concessionaire** with the levying of **port dues**?
- How should the port managing body deal with the rules that simultaneously allow **confidential commercial differentiations of port dues** and require that the rates are **non-discriminatory**?
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