

Medway Ports Authority Act 1973

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PART VII

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

82 Traffic offences on dock roads

- (1) The sections of the Acts of 1967 and 1972 mentioned in Schedule 2 to this Act shall have effect as if—
 - (a) the expression "road" and the expression "highway" included a dock road;
 - (b) references therein to "highway authority" were construed, in relation to dock roads, as references to the Authority; and
 - (c) in the sections thereof mentioned in Part II of Schedule 2 to this Act the expression "constable" included an officer of the Authority authorised in that behalf;

and any person who commits an offence under any of those sections, as extended by this section, shall be liable to be dealt with in all respects as if the offence had been committed under those provisions on a road as defined by section 196 of the Act of 1972, and, subject to the provisions; of this section, all the provisions of the said Acts, so far, as, applicable (including, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, sections 12, 144, 164, 167, 168, 179, 188 and 196 of the Act of 1972 and section 79 of the Act of 1967) shall apply accordingly.

- (2) If no duty is chargeable under the Vehicles (Excise) Act, 1971, in respect of a motor vehicle—
 - (a) by virtue of the provisions of subsection (1) of section 7 of that Act; or
 - (b) by reason only that the vehicle is used exclusively on roads which are not public roads within the meaning of that Act;

sections 4, 84, 99, 143, 161 and 166 of the Act of 1972 shall not apply in respect of that vehicle while it is being driven, or to any person while driving it, on a dock road.

(3) Regulations or orders made under section 20 of the Act of 1967 or under section 40 or 66 of the Act of 1972, and from time to time in force, shall extend and apply to dock

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roads as they apply to roads as defined by section 104 of the Act of 1967 or section 196 of the Act of 1972, and section 87 of the Act of 1967, subsection (5) of section 40 and section 177 of the Act of 1972 shall apply accordingly:

Provided that, if no duty is chargeable under the Vehicles (Excise) Act, 1971, in respect of a motor vehicle—

- (a) by virtue of the provisions of subsection (1) of section 7 of that Act; or
- (b) by reason only that the vehicle is used exclusively on roads which are not public roads within the meaning of that Act;

the said regulations shall not apply in respect of that vehicle while it is being driven, or to any person while driving it, on a dock road.

(4) In this section—

- " the Act of 1967 " means the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1967;
- " the Act of 1972 " means the Road Traffic Act, 1972;
- "dock road" means any road, pier, wharf, quay, bridge or other work which, or any land which, is vested in or is the property of the Authority and is accessible to motor vehicles, not being a road to which the Act of 1972 applies;
 - " motor vehicle " has the same meaning as in the Act of 1972.