

# Post Office Act 1969

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- 3 (1) Before appointing a person to be a member of...
- 4 (1) The Post Office—(a) shall pay to the members...
- 5 (1) If the Minister is satisfied that a member of...
- 6 Part II of Schedule 1 to the House of Commons...

### Proceedings

- 7 The validity of any proceedings of the Post Office shall...
- 8 The quorum of the Post Office shall be three; and,...
- 9 Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Schedule, the Post...

### Staff

- 10 The Post Office shall appoint a secretary of the Post...
- 11 (1) Except so far as the Post Office is satisfied...
- 12 (1) Except with the Minister's consent, the Post Office shall...

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- 4 Loans of either of the kinds mentioned in paragraph 9...

- 5 Treasury bills payable not more than ninety-one days from date...
- 6 Assets of such other class as may from time to...
  - PART II CLASSES OF ASSETS TO BE HELD TO MATCH THE RESIDUE OF DEBTS
- 7 Cash
- 8 Money held as mentioned in paragraph 2 above.
- 9 Loans of the class specified in paragraph 3 above.
- 10 Loans of the class specified in paragraph 4 above.
- 11 Treasury bills and bills of Her Majesty's Government in Northern...
- 12 Assets of a class for the time being designated under...
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- Loans of either of the kinds mentioned in paragraph 9...
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- 17 Assets of such other class as may from time to...
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- 2 For any reference in Schedules 5 and 6 to the...
- 3 (1) Paragraph 2(2) of the said Schedule 5 shall be...
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- 3 As from the appointed day, section 1 of the Recorded...

### Adaptations of Enactments relating to Telegraphs

- 4 References to the company, the Postmaster General or the Post...
- 5 As from the appointed day, section 5(1) of the Telegraph...
- 6 The reference to the Postmaster General in section 2(1) of...
- 7 (1) Any such notice or counter-notice as follows, namely.—

# Adaptations of Enactments relating to the Supply of Electricity

- 8 As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster General...
- 9 As from the appointed day, section 26 of the Electric...
- 10 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...
- 11 As from the appointed day, references to a private generating...
- 12 (1) As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster...

## 13 As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster General...

# Adaptations of other Enactments

- 14 As from the appointed day, section 11 of the Juries...
- 15 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...
- 16 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...
- 17 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...
- 18 As from the appointed day, the reference to Her Majesty's...
- 19 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...
- 20 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...
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- 22 As from the appointed day, section 187 of the Bankruptcy...
- 23 As from the appointed day, references in section 24 of...
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- 25 As from the appointed day, the reference in the definition...
- 26 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...
- 27 The reference to the Postmaster General in section 79(3) of...
- As from the appointed day, section 5 of the Roads...
- 29 As from the appointed day, the reference in section 10...
- 30 As from the appointed day, section 2(2)(e) of the Execution...
- 31 As from the appointed day, section 14 of the Moneylenders...
- 32 Section 61(1) of the Land Drainage Act 1930 (which protects...
- 33 (1) As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster...
- As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...
- 35 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Post...
- 36 (1) As from the appointed day, the authority shall be...
- 37 (1) As from the appointed day, section 22(4) of the...
- 38 (1) As from the appointed day, the references to the...
- 39 As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster General...
- 40 (1) As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster...
- 41 As from the appointed day, references to Post Office business...
- 42 (1) The Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1947 shall,...
- 43 As from the appointed day, the second reference to the...
- 44 As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster General...
- 45 (1) The Special Roads Act 1949 shall, as from the...
- 46 As from the appointed day, section 28(4)(c) of the Civil...
- 47 (1) As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster...
- 48 As from the appointed day, the reference in section 47(b)...
- 49 As from the appointed day, section 1(2) of the War...
- As from the appointed day, the reference in section 17(2)...
- As from the appointed day, references to post office business...
- 52 As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster General...
- As from the appointed day, section 16 of the Defamation...
- As from the appointed day, references in section 6 of...
- As from the appointed day, the reference to the Post...
- As from the appointed day, the reference to the Post...
- 57 As from the appointed day, references in paragraph 8 of...
- 58 (1) Where the alteration of a telegraphic line of the...
- 59 (1) Where any work proposed to be done on or...
- As from the appointed day, the reference in section 8(5)...
- As from the appointed day, references in subsections (1) and...
- 62 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...

- As from the appointed day, section 3 of the Local...
- 64 (1) As from the appointed day, references in section 45(1)...
- 65 (1) The Highways Act 1959 shall, as from the appointed...
- As from the appointed day, references to the Post Office...
- As from the appointed day, section 7(1) of the Payment...
- 68 As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster General...
- 69 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...
- 70 As from the appointed day, Schedule 4 to the Public...
- 71 (1) The Town and Country Planning Act 1962 shall, as...
- 72 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...
- As from the appointed day, the references to the Postmaster...
- 74 (1) No order made on or after the appointed day...
- 75 As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster General...
- As from the appointed day, the reference in subsection (1)...
- As from the appointed day, the reference in section 1(4)...
- 78 (1) Where, on or after the appointed day, the Minister...
- 79 Where, on or after the appointed day, the Ministry of...
- 80 As from the appointed day, the Schedule to the Building...
- 81 (1) As from the appointed day, Schedule 1 to the...
- 82 As from the appointed day, Schedule 2 to the Industrial...
- 83 (1) Where the alteration of a telegraphic line of the...
- 84 As from the appointed day, paragraph 45(e) of Schedule 4...
- As from the appointed day, section 38(7) of the Countryside...
- 86 (1) Where, on or after the appointed day, the Secretary...
- 87 As from the appointed day, Schedule 1 to the Industrial...
- 88 As from the appointed day, section 6 of the Transport...
- 89 (1) As from the appointed day, section 69(1) of the...
- 90 As from the appointed day, the authority shall be deemed...
- 91 As from the appointed day, the reference to the Postmaster...
- 92 (1) As from the appointed day, section 70(1) of the...
- 93 (1) The authority shall be deemed to be statutory undertakers...
- 94 Nothing in the Roads Improvement Act (Northern Ireland) 1928 or...
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- 95 (1) Whereas the enactments specified in the two Lists below...
- 96 (1) Nothing in— (a) the London Building Acts 1930 to...
- 97 (1) As from the appointed day, subsections (2) and (3)...
- 98 As from the appointed day, the references in section 120(1)...
- 99 (1) Subsection (3) of section 77 of the Kingston upon...
- 100 A benefit conferred on the Postmaster General by a provision...
- 101 (1) As from the appointed day, a provision to which...
- Nothing in a local Act passed in the same Session...

  PART IV ADAPTATION OF ORDERS IN COUNCIL
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- 1 (1) In any proceedings against a person in respect of...
- 2 (1) Section 16(1) of the Post Office Act 1953 shall...
- 3 Section 63 of the Post Office Act 1953 shall have...

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PART II — AMENDMENTS OF THE POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANK ACT 1966

### PART III — AMENDMENTS OF OTHER ENACTMENTS

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- 1 (1) As soon as practicable after the appointed day, the...
- 2 (1) If, immediately before the appointed day, any sums of...
- 3 (1) If, immediately before the appointed day, there are in...
- 4 (1) If, immediately before the appointed day, there are in...
- 5 (1) If, immediately before the appointed day, there are in...
- 6 (1) If, immediately before the appointed day, there are in...
- 7 (1) If, immediately before the appointed day, there are in...
- 8 (1) If, immediately before the appointed day, there are in...
- 9 If, immediately before the appointed day, any sums of money...
- 10 (1) If, immediately before the appointed day, any sum is...
- 11 (1) If, immediately before the appointed day, there are in...
- Where, in respect of use before the appointed day of...
- Where, in respect of Use before the appointed day of...
- 14 If, immediately before the appointed day, any sums of money...
- 15 (1) Where, under any such arrangements as are mentioned in...
- 16 (1) If, immediately before the appointed day, any sums of...
- 17 (1) Any payment which, if this Act had not passed,...
- 18 (1) The Secretary of State shall, out of the moneys...

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PART I — ENACTMENTS CEASING TO HAVE EFFECT ON THE PASSING OF THIS ACT

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- 1 (1) Section 3(1) of this Act shall not affect the...
- 2 (1) Any agreement, and any provision in a document not...
- 3 (1) Any such regulations as follows that are in force...
- 4 Any postage or other sum payable under the Post Office...
- 5 (1) References in sections 70 and 71 of this Act...
- 6 An authorisation given under section 3(1), 61, 62 or 64...
- 7 An undertaking given under section 51(2) or (3) of the...
- 8 Where, on the appointed day there are in progress any...
- 9 (1) This paragraph applies to the following instruments, namely.—
- 10 (1) Any licence operating by way of exception from the...
- 11 A notice or certificate given, request made or requirement imposed...
- 12 An authority granted under section 5(1) of the Telegraph Act...
- 13 Any such council as is mentioned in the Telegraph Act...
- 14 (1) A notice given under section 26 of the Electric...
- 15 An order under section 187 of the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act...
- 16 A notice given under section 24 of the Requisitioned Land...
- 17 (1) No steps shall be taken for the enforcement of...
- 18 (1) Any regulations under section 79 of the Representation of...
- 19 (1) Any regulations under section 53 of the Electoral Law...
- 20 (1) Nothing in Part III of this Act shall affect...
- 21 A notice served under section 29 of the Income Tax...
- 22 A notice given under section 6 of the Local Government...
- 23 In relation to an agreement which, on the appointed day,...
- 24 An order under paragraph 8 of Schedule 1 to the...

- 25 A notice given under section 5(4) of the Milford Haven...
- 26 A notice given under section 3 of the Local Government...
- 27 (1) Where, between the passing of this Act and the...
- 28 (1) Notwithstanding section 83 of the Town and Country Planning...
- 29 No enforcement notice shall be served by virtue of section...
- 30 Neither an interim development authority, nor, where the Ministry of...
- 31 (1) Subsection (2) of section 57 of the Landlord and...
- 32 (1) A licensing authority to whom an application is made...
- 33 (1) Where a person enters the employment of the Post...
- 34 (1) For the purpose of computing, for the purposes of...
- 35 (1) Where a person enters the employment of the Post...
- 36 (1) Notwithstanding paragraph 82 of Schedule 4 to this Act,...
- 37 (1) Notwithstanding paragraph 82 of Schedule 4 to this Act,...
- Where an interest of the Postmaster General in land vests...
- 39 (1) Where—(a) in relation to relevant land, an act...
- 40 (1) Where work begun before the passing of this Act,...
- 41 (1) If, in the case of a hereditament vested in...
- 42 (1) If, in the case of lands and heritages vested...
- 43 (1) If, in the case of a hereditament vested in...
- 44 (1) If an order made by virtue of section 67...
- 45 An application by the Post Office made before the appointed...
- 46 (1) The Postmaster General shall be under obligation to provide...
- 47 All expenses incurred by the Post Office before the appointed...
- 48 The following enactments, namely.— (a) section 107(1) of the National...
- 49 Where works on land vested in the Post Office by...
- 50 (1) Where, on the appointed day, a matter in dispute...
- An indemnity given under section 13 of the National Debt...
- 52 Any reference to the Postmaster General in a prospectus issued...
- Where the Crown retains possession of any documents of title...
- 54 Any legal proceedings or applications pending on the appointed day...

# SCHEDULE 10 — Special transitional Provisions with respect to Patents for Inventions and Registered Designs

# PART I — PATENTS FOR INVENTIONS

- 1 For the purposes of so much of section 32(1) of...
- 2 (1) Where an agreement in the case of which rights...
- 3 Where, by an agreement in force immediately before the appointed...
- 4 (1) If an obligation of the department of the Postmaster...
- 5 Where, in the case of an invention, an authority for...
- 6 The authority of the Post Office in respect of an...
- 7 (1) The Post Office shall have power to use, for...
- 8 (1) In relation to any use of a patented invention...
- 9 (1) Any dispute as to the exercise by the Post...
- 10 (1) Where, in pursuance of an agreement made before the...
- Expressions to which meanings are assigned by the Patents Act...
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- 12 (1) Where an agreement in the case of which rights...
- Where, by an agreement in force immediately before the appointed...
- 14 (1) If an obligation of the department of the Postmaster...
- 15 Where, in the case of a design, an authority for...
- 16 The authority of the Post Office in respect of a...
- 17 (1) In the case of articles vested in the Post...

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- 18 (1) In relation to any use of a registered design...
- 19 (1) Any dispute as to the exercise by the Post...
- 20 (1) Where, in pursuance of an agreement made before the...
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