



# Dock Work Regulation Act 1976

## CHAPTER 79

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PART I — CONSTITUTION, ADMINISTRATION ETC. OF NEW BOARD

*Membership*

- 1 (1) A person shall hold or vacate office as chairman,...
- 2 A person may at any time resign office as chairman,...
- 3 (1) The Secretary of State, if satisfied in the case...

*Remuneration etc. of members*

- 4 (1) The Secretary of State may— (a) pay to the...
- 5 (1) In the case of Board members other than the...

*Staff*

- 6 (1) The Board may appoint and pay such officers and...

*Procedure etc.*

- 7 (1) The procedure and quorum of the Board shall be...
- 8 The validity of any proceedings of the Board shall not...
- 9 A document purporting to be duly executed under the seal...

*Annual accounts and report*

- 10 It shall be the duty of the Board—
  - 11 (1) A person is not qualified to act as auditor...
  - 12 (1) The Board shall, as soon as practicable after the...
- PART II — TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

*Functions, property, contracts and proceedings*

- 13 Without prejudice to section 1(6) of this Act—
- 14 (1) On the appointed day all the property, rights, liabilities...
- 15 (1) Every agreement, whether in writing or not, including any...
- 16 In any legal proceedings pending immediately before the appointed day...

*Employees*

- 17 (1) For the purposes of computing the period of employment...

SCHEDULE 2 — Procedure before making Extension Order under s. 4(6)

- 1 Where the Secretary of State proposes to make an order...
- 2 He shall also publish the fact that he has referred...
- 3 The Secretary of State shall allow at least 60 days...
- 4 (1) For the purpose of determining whether to proceed with...

SCHEDULE 3 — Matters for New Dock Labour Scheme

- 1 The establishment of dock workers' and dock employers' registers; the...
- 2 Recruitment of dock workers ; regulation of the means by...
- 3 The following matters relating to dock workers and their work—...

- 4 The establishment and collection of a levy payable by dock...
- 5 The imposition by the Board on dock employers of a...
- 6 Establishment of local boards (for areas to be determined by...

SCHEDULE 4 — Descriptions of Work which may, and those which may not, be  
Classified as Dock Work

PART I — WORK WHICH MAY BE CLASSIFIED

*General port work*

- 1 Handling cargo. This includes any movement of cargo by means...
- 2 Loading and unloading cargo.
- 3 Work in connection with the storage or warehousing of cargo....
- 4 Sorting, checking and recording cargo ; recording the time spent...
- 5 Executing minor repairs to containers, crates, boxes, pallets or other...
- 6 Preparing ships for the receipt or discharge of cargo.
- 7 Making ships ready for departure after loading or discharging cargo....

*Supplementary definitions*

- 8 For the purposes of this Schedule, the following definitions apply—...
- PART II — WORK EXCLUDED FROM CLASSIFICATION
- 9 The work of persons employed by a body corporate established...
  - 10 The work of persons employed in a retail, wholesale, manufacturing...
  - 11 Driving any vehicle whose use is mainly on public roads,...
  - 12 Such work on a ship as by local custom or...
  - 13 The ordinary work of those forming the crew of a...
  - 14 The ordinary work of those manning a vessel (not a...
  - 15 Any work at a site for the bulk storage (in...
  - 16 Any work done at an aerodrome licensed under Part II...

SCHEDULE 5 — Procedure for Recommendation under Section 8

PART I — PRELIMINARY CONSULTATIONS

- 1 The Board shall not entertain proposals for a recommendation under...
- 2 That notice is one which— (a) specifies the relevant work...
- 3 The first notice shall invite any employer to whom it...
- 4 Where the Board are unable, after reasonable enquiries, to ascertain...
- 5 If in response to the first notice (or to a...
- 6 The Board shall consider any representations made to them by...
- 7 (1) If after considering such representations the Board determine that...
- 8 (1) If, at any time when the Board have under...

PART II — THE BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION AND ASSOCIATED ACTION

*The recommendation*

- 9 (1) The Board shall not determine to make a recommendation...
- 10 If the Board determine to make the recommendation they shall...
- 11 (1) The Board's recommendation to the Secretary of State shall—...

*Associated action*

- 12 (1) On receiving the Board's recommendation, the Secretary of State...
- 13 If the Secretary of State, in consequence of representations made...

SCHEDULE 6 — Repeals