



Merchant Shipping Act 1979

1979 CHAPTER 39

Miscellaneous

35 Amendment of s. 503 of Merchant Shipping Act 1894 etc.

(1) Nothing in section 503 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1894 (which relates to the limitation of liability in certain cases of loss of life, injury or damage) shall apply to any liability in respect of loss of life or personal injury caused to, or loss of or damage to any property of, a person who is on board or employed in connection with the ship in question if—

- (a) he is so on board or employed under a contract of service governed by the law of any part of the United Kingdom ; and
- (b) the liability arises from an occurrence which took place after the coming into force of this subsection and before the coming into force of the following subsection ;

and in this subsection " ship " has the same meaning as in the said section 503.

(2) The provisions having the force of law under section 17 of this Act shall not apply to any liability in respect of loss of life or personal injury caused to, or loss of or damage to any property of, a person who is on board the ship in question or employed in connection with that ship or with the salvage operations in question if—

- (a) he is so on board or employed under a contract of service governed by the law of any part of the United Kingdom; and
- (b) the liability arises from an occurrence which took place after the coming into force of this subsection ;

and in this subsection " ship " and " salvage operations " have the same meaning as in those provisions.