



# Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009

## 2009 CHAPTER 23

### PART 1

#### THE MARINE MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION

### CHAPTER 4

#### MISCELLANEOUS, GENERAL AND SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS

##### *General powers and duties*

#### **26 Provision of information etc**

(1) The MMO may—

- (a) publish documents or provide information about any matter relating to any of its functions or its general objective, or
- (b) assist in the publication of such documents or the provision of such information.

[<sup>F1</sup>(1A) The MMO must, at the request of the Secretary of State—

- (a) publish documents or provide information about any international marine matter, or
- (b) assist in the publication of such documents or the provision of such information.]

(2) Nothing in any other enactment imposing a duty or conferring a power on the MMO—

- (a) to publish, or assist in the publication of, documents of a particular kind, or
  - (b) to provide, or assist in the provision of, information of a particular kind,
- is to be read as limiting the power conferred by subsection (1) [<sup>F2</sup>or the duty imposed by subsection (1A)].

[<sup>F3</sup>(3) For the purposes of this section a matter is an “international marine matter” if—

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- (a) it relates to an area outside the UK marine area, and
  - (b) the MMO has power under subsection (1)(a) to publish documents or provide information about a corresponding matter that relates to the UK marine area or an area within it.
- (4) References in this section to the functions of the MMO are to functions exercisable by or on behalf of the MMO (including functions that the MMO performs under an agreement under section 14, and functions that any other body performs under an agreement under section 15).]

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#### Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 26(1A) inserted (23.11.2020) by Fisheries Act 2020 (c. 22), s. 54(1)(f), **Sch. 10 para. 4(2)** (with Sch. 4 para. 31)
- F2** Words in s. 26(2) inserted (23.11.2020) by Fisheries Act 2020 (c. 22), s. 54(1)(f), **Sch. 10 para. 4(3)** (with Sch. 4 para. 31)
- F3** S. 26(3)(4) inserted (23.11.2020) by Fisheries Act 2020 (c. 22), s. 54(1)(f), **Sch. 10 para. 4(4)** (with Sch. 4 para. 31)

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#### Commencement Information

- I1** S. 26 in force at 12.1.2010 by S.I. 2009/3345, art. 2, **Sch. para. 4**

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 72A(2A) inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 232\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- s. 72A(6)(a) words in s. 72A(6) renumbered as s. 72A(6)(a) by [2023 c. 55 s. 232\(2\)\(f\)\(i\)](#)
- s. 72A(6)(a) words inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 232\(2\)\(f\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 72A(6)(b) and word inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 232\(2\)\(f\)\(iii\)](#)
- Sch. 6 para. 1(2)(da) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 8 para. 31\(2\)\(a\)](#)