



# Merchant Shipping Act 1906

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An Act to amend the Merchant Shipping Acts 1894 to 1900. [21st December 1906]

## Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Power to adapt provisions of Act conferred by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\), s. 90](#)
- C2 Functions of Board of Trade now exercisable by Secretary of State by virtue of [S.I. 1970/1537, art. 2](#) and [S.I. 1983/1127, art. 2\(4\)](#)
- C3 Act amended by [S.I. 1983/708, regs. 1\(3\)\(4\)\(b\), 2](#)
- C4 Act modified by [Merchant Shipping Act 1988 \(c. 12, SIF 111\), s. 47\(2\)\(b\)](#) (with [s. 58\(4\)](#), [Sch. 8 para. 1](#)) and by [S.I. 1989/1991, art. 10](#)
- C5 Act excluded by [S.I. 1989/1991, arts. 11–14](#)

## PART I

### SAFETY

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## Textual Amendments

- F1 [S. 1](#) repealed by [Merchant Shipping \(Safety and Load Line Conventions\) Act 1932 \(c. 9\), Sch. 4 Pt. II](#)

<sup>F2</sup>2 .....

## Textual Amendments

- F2 [S. 2](#) repealed (1.5.1994) by [1993 c. 22, s. 8\(4\), Sch. 5 Pt.II](#); [S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3\(2\), Sch.2](#).

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**3, 4.** ..... F3

**Textual Amendments**

**F3** Ss. 3, 4 repealed by Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention) Act 1949 (c. 43), **Sch. 3**

**5** ..... F4

**Textual Amendments**

**F4** S. 5 repealed by Statute Law Revision Act 1927 (c. 42)

**F5****6** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F5** S. 6 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.II**; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(2), **Sch.2**.

**7, 8.** ..... F6

**Textual Amendments**

**F6** Ss. 7, 8 repealed by Merchant Shipping (Safety and Load Line Conventions) Act 1932 (c. 9), **Sch. 4 Pt. II**

**9** ..... F7

**Textual Amendments**

**F7** S. 9 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1970 (c. 36), **Sch. 5**

**10** ..... F8

**Textual Amendments**

**F8** S. 10 repealed by Merchant Shipping (Safety and Load Line Conventions) Act 1932 (c. 9), **Sch. 4 Pt. II**

**11** ..... F9

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**Textual Amendments**

**F9** S. 11 repealed by [Merchant Shipping \(Safety Convention\) Act 1949 \(c. 43\)](#), **Sch. 3**

**12** ..... **F10**

**Textual Amendments**

**F10** Ss. 12, 14, 17–20, 23–26, 28–43, 45–48 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\)](#), **Sch. 5**

**PART II**

PASSENGER AND EMIGRANT SHIPS

**F11** **13** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F11** S. 13 repealed (1.6.1995 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(5) of the amending S.I.) by [S.I. 1995/1210](#), **reg. 1(4)(b)(5)**

**F12** **14** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F12** Ss. 12, 14, 17–20, 23–26, 28–43, 45–48 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\)](#), **Sch. 5**

**F13** **15** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F13** S. 15 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.II**; [S.I. 1993/3137](#), art. 3(2), **Sch.2**.

**F14** **16** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F14** S. 16 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.II**; [S.I. 1993/3137](#), art. 3(2), **Sch.2**.

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**Textual Amendments**  
F15 Ss. 12, 14, 17–20, 23–26, 28–43, 45–48 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1970 (c. 36), Sch. 5

F16 21 .....

**Textual Amendments**  
F16 S. 21 repealed (1.6.1995 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(5) of the amending S.I.) by S.I. 1995/1210, reg. 1(4)(b)(5)

F17 22 .....

**Textual Amendments**  
F17 S. 22 repealed (1.6.1995 with effect as mentioned in reg. 1(5) of the amending S.I.) by S.I. 1995/1210, reg. 1(4)(b)(5)

23, 24. .... F18

**Textual Amendments**  
F18 Ss. 12, 14, 17–20, 23–26, 28–43, 45–48 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1970 (c. 36), Sch. 5

**PART III**

SEAMEN’S FOOD

25, 26. .... F19

**Textual Amendments**  
F19 Ss. 12, 14, 17–20, 23–26, 28–43, 45–48 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1970 (c. 36), Sch. 5

F20 27 .....

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**Textual Amendments**

**F20** S. 27 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.II**; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(2), **Sch.2**.

**PART IV**

PROVISIONS AS TO RELIEF AND REPATRIATION OF  
DISTRESSED SEAMEN, AND SEAMEN LEFT BEHIND ABROAD

**28**— ..... **F21**  
**43.**

**Textual Amendments**

**F21** Ss. 12, 14, 17–20, 23–26, 28–43, 45–48 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1970 (c. 36), **Sch. 5**

**F22** **44** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F22** S. 44 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.II**; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(2), **Sch.2**.

**45**— ..... **F23**  
**48.**

**Textual Amendments**

**F23** Ss. 12, 14, 17–20, 23–26, 28–43, 45–48 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1970 (c. 36), **Sch. 5**

**F24** **49** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F24** S. 49 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.II**; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(2), **Sch.2**.

**PART V**

MISCELLANEOUS

**F25** **50** .....

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**Textual Amendments**

**F25** S. 50 repealed (21.3.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.I**; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(1), **Sch.1**.

**51** ..... **F26**

**Textual Amendments**

**F26** S. 51 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1988 (c. 12, SIF 111), s. 57(4)(5), Schs. 6, 7, (with s. 58(4), Sch. 8 para. 1)

**52** ..... **F27**

**Textual Amendments**

**F27** S. 52 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1988 (c. 12, SIF 111), ss. 48, 57(5), Schs. 5, 7, (with s. 58(4), Sch. 8 para. 1)

<sup>F28</sup>**53** **Amendment of 57 & 58 Vict, c. 60. s. 48.**  
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**Textual Amendments**

**F28** S. 53 repealed (21.3.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.I**; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(1), **Sch.1**.

**54**— ..... **F29**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F29** Ss. 54, 55 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1965 (c. 47), **Sch. 2**

[<sup>F30</sup>**56** **Secound mate certificates allowed in small foreign-going sailing ships.**

The following paragraph shall be substituted for paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section ninety-two of the principal Act (which relates to the certificates of competency to be held by officers of ships):—

- “(b) If the ship is of one hundred tons burden or upwards with at least one officer besides the master holding a certificate not lower than that of—
  - (i) mate in the case of a home trade passenger ship;
  - (ii) secound mate in the case of a foreign-going sailing ship of not more than two hundred tons burden ; and
  - (iii) only mate in the case of any other foreign-going ship.”]

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**Textual Amendments**

**F30** S. 56 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36, SIF 111\)](#), [Sch. 5](#) except to the extent (see [S.I. 1981/1186](#), Sch. Appendix) that section 56 applies in relation to British ships registered outside the United Kingdom

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C6** The text of s. 56 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**57** ..... **F31**

**Textual Amendments**

**F31** S. 57 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\)](#), [Sch. 5](#)

<sup>F32</sup>**58** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F32** S. 58 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), [Sch. 5 Pt.II](#); [S.I. 1993/3137](#), art. 3(2), [Sch.2](#).

**59**— ..... **F33**  
**63.**

**Textual Amendments**

**F33** Ss. 59–63, 65 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\)](#), [Sch. 5](#)

**64** ..... **F34**

**Textual Amendments**

**F34** S. 64 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\)](#), s. 101(4), [Sch. 5](#)

**65** ..... **F35**

**Textual Amendments**

**F35** Ss. 59–63, 65 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\)](#), [Sch. 5](#)

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66–68 ..... F36

**Textual Amendments**  
F36 SS. 66–68 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\)](#), s. 101(4), [Sch. 5](#)

69 ..... F37

**Textual Amendments**  
F37 S. 69 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1984 \(c. 5, SIF 111\)](#), s. 14(3)(4), [Sch. 2](#)

70, 71. .... F38

**Textual Amendments**  
F38 Ss. 70, 71 repealed by [Merchant Shipping \(Liability of Shipowners and Others\) Act 1958 \(c. 62\)](#), [Sch.](#)

F39 72 .....

**Textual Amendments**  
F39 S. 72 repealed (1.1.1996) by [1995 c. 21](#), ss. 314(1), 316(2), [Sch. 12](#) (with s. 312(1), [Sch. 14 para. 1](#))

73 ..... F40

**Textual Amendments**  
F40 S. 73 repealed by [Pilotage Act 1913 \(2 & 3 Geo. 5 c. 31\)](#), s. 60, [Sch. 2](#)

74 ..... F41

**Textual Amendments**  
F41 S. 74 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\)](#), [Sch. 5](#)

F42 75 .....



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**Textual Amendments**

**F42** S. 75 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

<sup>F43</sup>**76** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F43** S. 76 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

<sup>F44</sup>**77** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F44** S. 77 repealed (1.5.1994) by 1993 c. 22, s. 8(4), **Sch. 5 Pt.II**; S.I. 1993/3137, art. 3(2), **Sch.2**.

<sup>F45</sup>**78** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F45** S. 78 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

<sup>F46</sup>**79** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F46** S. 79 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

<sup>F47</sup>**80** .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F47** S. 80 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

**81** ..... <sup>F48</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F48** S. 81 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1970 (c. 36), s. 101(4), **Sch. 5**

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**82 Amendment of procedure in Scotland.**

The principal Act in its application to Scotland, is amended as follows:—

- (1) ..... F49
- (2) ..... F50
- (3) . . . F51 every offence referred to in section seven hundred and two of the principal Act may be prosecuted by indictment.
- (4) ..... F52

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**Textual Amendments**

**F49** S. 82(1) repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\)](#), **Sch. 5**

**F50** S. 82(2) repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1979 \(c. 39\)](#), **Sch. 7 Pt. II**

**F51** Words repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1927 \(c. 42\)](#)

**F52** S. 82(4) repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1927 \(c. 42\)](#)

**83** ..... F53

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**Textual Amendments**

**F53** s. 83 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1988 \(c. 12, SIF 111\)](#), s. 57(5), **Sch. 7**, (with s. 58(4), Sch. 8 para. 1)

**PART VI**

SUPPLEMENTAL

<sup>F54</sup>**84** .....

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**Textual Amendments**

**F54** S. 84 repealed (1.1.1996) by [1995 c. 21, ss. 314\(1\), 316\(2\)](#), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

**85** ..... F55

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**Textual Amendments**

**F55** Ss. 85, 86(2) repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1927 \(c. 42\)](#)

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**Textual Amendments**

**F56** S. 86 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1995 c. 21, ss. 314(1), 316(2), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), Sch. 14 para. 1)

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<sup>F57</sup>F57 SCHEDULE 1

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**Textual Amendments**

**F57** Sch. 1 repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\)](#), **Sch. 5**

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**F57**

<sup>F58</sup>F58 SCHEDULE 2

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**Textual Amendments**

**F58** Sch. 2 repealed by [Statute Law Revision Act 1927 \(c. 42\)](#)

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**F58**

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Merchant Shipping Act 1906.