Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974
An Act to make further provision for securing the health, safety and welfare of persons at work, for protecting others against risks to health or safety in connection with the activities of persons at work, for controlling the keeping and use and preventing the unlawful acquisition, possession and use of dangerous substances, and for controlling certain emissions into the atmosphere; to make further provision with respect to the employment medical advisory service; to amend the law relating to building regulations, and the Building (Scotland) Act 1959; and for connected purposes

[31st July 1974]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

Part I

Health, Safety and Welfare in Connection with Work, and Control of Dangerous Substances and Certain Emissions into the Atmosphere

Preliminary

1 Preliminary

(1) The provisions of this Part shall have effect with a view to--

(a) securing the health, safety and welfare of persons at work;

(b) protecting persons other than persons at work against risks to health or safety arising out of or in connection with the activities of persons at work;

(c) controlling the keeping and use of explosive or highly flammable or otherwise dangerous substances, and generally preventing the unlawful acquisition, possession and use of such substances; . . .
(d) ... 

(2) The provisions of this Part relating to the making of health and safety regulations . . . and the preparation and approval of codes of practice shall in particular have effect with a view to enabling the enactments specified in the third column of Schedule 1 and the regulations, orders and other instruments in force under those enactments to be progressively replaced by a system of regulations and approved codes of practice operating in combination with the other provisions of this Part and designed to maintain or improve the standards of health, safety and welfare established by or under those enactments.

(3) For the purposes of this Part risks arising out of or in connection with the activities of persons at work shall be treated as including risks attributable to the manner of conducting an undertaking, the plant or substances used for the purposes of an undertaking and the condition of premises so used or any part of them.

(4) References in this Part to the general purposes of this Part are references to the purposes mentioned in subsection (1) above.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

Amendment

Sub-s (1): words omitted repealed by the Environmental Protection Act 1990, s 162, Sch 16, Part I.
Sub-s (2): words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 1, Sch 18.

Modification

Modification: sub-s (1)(c) modified, for the purposes only of enabling regulations under s 15 hereof to be made, by the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 (Application to Environmentally Hazardous Substances) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2075, reg 2(1).

See Further

See further, in relation to the extension of the general purposes of Part I: the Offshore Safety Act 1992, ss 1(1), 2(1), and the Railways Act 1993, s 117(2), (6).

Subordinate Legislation

Control of Asbestos in the Air Regulations 1990, SI 1990/556 (made under sub-s (1)(b), (d)).
2 General duties of employers to their employees

(1) It shall be the duty of every employer to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the health, safety and welfare at work of all his employees.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of an employer's duty under the preceding subsection, the matters to which that duty extends include in particular--

(a) the provision and maintenance of plant and systems of work that are, so far as is reasonably practicable, safe and without risks to health;

(b) arrangements for ensuring, so far as is reasonably practicable, safety and absence of risks to health in connection with the use, handling, storage and transport of articles and substances;

(c) the provision of such information, instruction, training and supervision as is necessary to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the health and safety at work of his employees;

(d) so far as is reasonably practicable as regards any place of work under the employer's control, the maintenance of it in a condition that is safe and without risks to health and the provision and maintenance of means of access to and egress from it that are safe and without such risks;

(e) the provision and maintenance of a working environment for his employees that is, so far as is reasonably practicable, safe, without risks to health, and adequate as regards facilities and arrangements for their welfare at work.

(3) Except in such cases as may be prescribed, it shall be the duty of every employer to prepare and as often as may be appropriate revise a written statement of his general policy with respect to the health and safety at work of his employees and the organisation and arrangements for the time being in force for carrying out that policy, and to bring the statement and any revision of it to the notice of all his employees.

(4) Regulations made by the Secretary of State may provide for the appointment in prescribed cases by recognised trade unions (within the meaning of the regulations) of safety representatives from amongst the employees, and those representatives shall represent the employees in consultations with the employers under subsection (6) below and shall have such other functions as may be prescribed.

(5) . . .

(6) It shall be the duty of every employer to consult any such representatives with a view to the making and maintenance of arrangements which will enable him and his employees to co-operate effectively in promoting and developing measures to ensure the health and safety at work of the employees, and in checking the effectiveness of such measures.

(7) In such cases as may be prescribed it shall be the duty of every employer, if requested to do so by the safety representatives mentioned in [sub-
section (4)] above, to establish, in accordance with regulations made by the Secretary of State, a safety committee having the function of keeping under review the measures taken to ensure the health and safety at work of his employees and such other functions as may be prescribed.

**NOTES**

**Initial Commencement**

*To be appointed*

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

**Appointment**

Appointment: 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

**Amendment**

Sub-s (5): repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 1, Sch 18.

Sub-s (7): words in square brackets substituted by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 1, Sch 18.

**Modification**


**Subordinate Legislation**

Employers' Health and Safety Policy Statements (Exception) Regulations 1975, SI 1975/1584 (made under sub-s (3)).

Safety Representatives and Safety Committees Regulations 1977, SI 1977/500 (made under sub-ss (4), (7)).

Police (Health and Safety) Regulations 1999, SI 1999/860 (made under sub-s (4)).

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3 General duties of employers and self-employed to persons other than their employees

(1) It shall be the duty of every employer to conduct his undertaking in such a way as to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that persons not in his employment who may be affected thereby are not thereby exposed to risks to their health or safety.

(2) It shall be the duty of every self-employed person to conduct his undertaking in such a way as to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable,
that he and other persons (not being his employees) who may be affected thereby are not thereby exposed to risks to their health or safety.

(3) In such cases as may be prescribed, it shall be the duty of every employer and every self-employed person, in the prescribed circumstances and in the prescribed manner, to give to persons (not being his employees) who may be affected by the way in which he conducts his undertaking the prescribed information about such aspects of the way in which he conducts his undertaking as might affect their health or safety.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.
Sub-s (2) modified, in relation to an activity involving the consignment, storage or use of biological agents, by the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2677, reg 20.
Sub-s (2) modified, in relation to an activity involving genetic modification, by the Genetically Modified Organisms (Contained Use) Regulations 2000, SI 2000/2831, reg 5(2).
(2) It shall be the duty of each person who has, to any extent, control of premises to which this section applies or of the means of access thereto or egress therefrom or of any plant or substance in such premises to take such measures as it is reasonable for a person in his position to take to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the premises, all means of access thereto or egress therefrom available for use by persons using the premises, and any plant or substance in the premises or, as the case may be, provided for use there, is or are safe and without risks to health.

(3) Where a person has, by virtue of any contract or tenancy, an obligation of any extent in relation to--

(a) the maintenance or repair of any premises to which this section applies or any means of access thereto or egress therefrom; or

(b) the safety of or the absence of risks to health arising from plant or substances in any such premises;

that person shall be treated, for the purposes of subsection (2) above, as being a person who has control of the matters to which his obligation extends.

(4) Any reference in this section to a person having control of any premises or matter is a reference to a person having control of the premises or matter in connection with the carrying on by him of a trade, business or other undertaking (whether for profit or not).

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

Amendment

Repealed by the Environmental Protection Act 1990, s 162(2), Sch 16, Pt I.
6 General duties of manufacturers etc as regards articles and substances for use at work

[(1) It shall be the duty of any person who designs, manufactures, imports or supplies any article for use at work or any article of fairground equipment--

(a) to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the article is so designed and constructed that it will be safe and without risks to health at all times when it is being set, used, cleaned or maintained by a person at work;

(b) to carry out or arrange for the carrying out of such testing and examination as may be necessary for the performance of the duty imposed on him by the preceding paragraph;

(c) to take such steps as are necessary to secure that persons supplied by that person with the article are provided with adequate information about the use for which the article is designed or has been tested and about any conditions necessary to ensure that it will be safe and without risks to health at all such times as are mentioned in paragraph (a) above and when it is being dismantled or disposed of; and

(d) to take such steps as are necessary to secure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that persons so supplied are provided with all such revisions of information provided to them by virtue of the preceding paragraph as are necessary by reason of its becoming known that anything gives rise to a serious risk to health or safety.

(1A) It shall be the duty of any person who designs, manufactures, imports or supplies any article of fairground equipment--

(a) to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the article is so designed and constructed that it will be safe and without risks to health at all times when it is being used for or in connection with the entertainment of members of the public;

(b) to carry out or arrange for the carrying out of such testing and examination as may be necessary for the performance of the duty imposed on him by the preceding paragraph;

(c) to take such steps as are necessary to secure that persons supplied by that person with the article are provided with adequate information about the use for which the article is designed or has been tested and about any conditions necessary to ensure that it will be safe and without risks to health at all times when it is being used for or in connection with the entertainment of members of the public; and

(d) to take such steps as are necessary to secure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that persons so supplied are provided with all such revisions of information provided to them by virtue of the preceding paragraph as are necessary by reason of its becoming known that anything gives rise to a serious risk to health or safety.]
(2) It shall be the duty of any person who undertakes the design or manufacture of any article for use at work [or of any article of fairground equipment] to carry out or arrange for the carrying out of any necessary research with a view to the discovery and, so far as is reasonably practicable, the elimination or minimisation of any risks to health or safety to which the design or article may give rise.

(3) It shall be the duty of any person who erects or installs any article for use at work in any premises where that article is to be used by persons at work [or who erects or installs any article of fairground equipment] to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that nothing about the way in which the article is erected or installed makes it unsafe or a risk to health at any such time as is mentioned in paragraph (a) of subsection (1) or, as the case may be, in paragraph (a) of subsection (1) or (1A) above.

(4) It shall be the duty of any person who manufactures, imports or supplies any substance--

(a) to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the substance will be safe and without risks to health at all times when it is being used, handled, processed, stored or transported by a person at work or in premises to which section 4 above applies;

(b) to carry out or arrange for the carrying out of such testing and examination as may be necessary for the performance of the duty imposed on him by the preceding paragraph;

(c) to take such steps as are necessary to secure that persons supplied by that person with the substance are provided with adequate information about any risks to health or safety to which the inherent properties of the substance may give rise, about the results of any relevant tests which have been carried out on or in connection with the substance and about any conditions necessary to ensure that the substance will be safe and without risks to health at all such times as are mentioned in paragraph (a) above and when the substance is being disposed of; and

(d) to take such steps as are necessary to secure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that persons so supplied are provided with all such revisions of information provided to them by virtue of the preceding paragraph as are necessary by reason of its becoming known that anything gives rise to a serious risk to health or safety.

(5) It shall be the duty of any person who undertakes the manufacture of any [substance] to carry out or arrange for the carrying out of any necessary research with a view to the discovery and, so far as is reasonably practicable, the elimination or minimisation of any risks to health or safety to which the substance may give rise [at all such times as are mentioned in paragraph (a) of subsection (4) above].

(6) Nothing in the preceding provisions of this section shall be taken to require a person to repeat any testing, examination or research which has been carried out otherwise than by him or at his instance, in so far as it is reasonable for him to rely on the results thereof for the purposes of those provisions.

(7) Any duty imposed on any person by any of the preceding provisions of this section shall extend only to things done in the course of a trade, business or other undertaking carried on by him (whether for profit or not) and to matters within his control.

(8) Where a person designs, manufactures, imports or supplies an article [for use at work or an article of fairground equipment and does so for or to another] on the basis of a written undertaking by that other to take specified steps sufficient to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the article will be safe and without risks to health [at all such times as are mentioned in paragraph (a) of subsection (1) or, as the case may be, in paragraph (a) of subsection (1) or (1A) above], the undertaking shall have the effect of
relieving the first-mentioned person from the duty imposed [by virtue of that paragraph] to such extent as is reasonable having regard to the terms of the undertaking.

[(8A) Nothing in subsection (7) or (8) above shall relieve any person who imports any article or substance from any duty in respect of anything which--

(a) in the case of an article designed outside the United Kingdom, was done by and in the course of any trade, profession or other undertaking carried on by, or was within the control of, the person who designed the article; or

(b) in the case of an article or substance manufactured outside the United Kingdom, was done by and in the course of any trade, profession or other undertaking carried on by, or was within the control of, the person who manufactured the article or substance.]

(9) Where a person ("the ostensible supplier") supplies any [article or substance] to another ("the customer") under a hire-purchase agreement, conditional sale agreement or credit-sale agreement, and the ostensible supplier--

(a) carries on the business of financing the acquisition of goods by others by means of such agreements; and

(b) in the course of that business acquired his interest in the article or substance supplied to the customer as a means of financing its acquisition by the customer from a third person ("the effective supplier"),

the effective supplier and not the ostensible supplier shall be treated for the purposes of this section as supplying the article or substance to the customer, and any duty imposed by the preceding provisions of this section on suppliers shall accordingly fall on the effective supplier and not on the ostensible supplier.

[(10) For the purposes of this section an absence of safety or a risk to health shall be disregarded in so far as the case in or in relation to which it would arise is shown to be one the occurrence of which could not reasonably be foreseen; and in determining whether any duty imposed by virtue of paragraph (a) of subsection (1), (1A) or (4) above has been performed regard shall be had to any relevant information or advice which has been provided to any person by the person by whom the article has been designed, manufactured, imported or supplied or, as the case may be, by the person by whom the substance has been manufactured, imported or supplied.]

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

Amendment

Sub-ss (1), (1A): substituted, for sub-s (1) as originally enacted, by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3.

Sub-s (2): words in square brackets inserted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3.

Modification


See Further


7 General duties of employees at work

It shall be the duty of every employee while at work--

(a) to take reasonable care for the health and safety of himself and of other persons who may be affected by his acts or omissions at work; and

(b) as regards any duty or requirement imposed on his employer or any other person by or under any of the relevant statutory provisions, to cooperate with him so far as is necessary to enable that duty or requirement to be performed or complied with.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

Modification

8 Duty not to interfere with or misuse things provided pursuant to certain provisions

No person shall intentionally or recklessly interfere with or misuse anything provided in the interests of health, safety or welfare in pursuance of any of the relevant statutory provisions.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

9 Duty not to charge employees for things done or provided pursuant to certain specific requirements

No employer shall levy or permit to be levied on any employee of his any charge in respect of anything done or provided in pursuance of any specific requirement of the relevant statutory provisions.

NOTES

Initial Commencement
To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

10 Establishment of the Commission and the Executive

(1) There shall be two bodies corporate to be called the Health and Safety Commission and the Health and Safety Executive which shall be constituted in accordance with the following provisions of this section.

(2) The Health and Safety Commission (hereafter in this Act referred to as "the Commission") shall consist of a chairman appointed by the Secretary of State and not less than six nor more than nine other members appointed by the Secretary of State in accordance with subsection (3) below.

(3) Before appointing the members of the Commission (other than the chairman) the Secretary of State shall--

(a) as to three of them, consult such organisations representing employers as he considers appropriate;

(b) as to three others, consult such organisations representing employees as he considers appropriate; and

(c) as to any other members he may appoint, consult such organisations representing local authorities and such other organisations, including professional bodies, the activities of whose members are concerned with matters relating to any of the general purposes of this Part, as he considers appropriate.

(4) The Secretary of State may appoint one of the members to be deputy chairman of the Commission.

(5) The Health and Safety Executive (hereafter in this Act referred to as "the Executive") shall consist of three persons of whom one shall be appointed by the Commission with the approval of the Secretary of State to be the director of the Executive and the others shall be appointed by the Commission with the like approval after consultation with the said director.

(6) The provisions of Schedule 2 shall have effect with respect to the Commission and the Executive.

(7) The functions of the Commission and of the Executive, and of their officers and servants, shall be performed on behalf of the Crown.
[(8) For the purposes of any civil proceedings arising out of those functions, the Crown Proceedings Act 1947 and the Crown Suits (Scotland) Act 1857 shall apply to the Commission and the Executive as if they were government departments within the meaning of the said Act of 1947 or, as the case may be, public departments within the meaning of the said Act of 1857.]

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Sub-ss (1), (6), (7): Appointment (in so far as they relate to the Commission): 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.
Sub-ss (1), (6), (7): Appointment (in so far as they relate to the Executive): 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.
Sub-s (5): Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Sub-s (8): inserted by the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15, para 3.
matters relevant to any of those purposes are provided with an information and advisory service and are kept informed of, and adequately advised on, such matters;

(d) to submit from time to time to the authority having power to make regulations under any of the relevant statutory provisions such proposals as the Commission considers appropriate for the making of regulations under that power.

[(2A) In subsections (1) and (2) above--

(a) references to the general purposes of this Part do not include references to the railway safety purposes; and

(b) the reference to a power to make regulations under the relevant statutory provisions does not include a reference to any power so far as it is exercisable for the railway safety purposes.]

(3) It shall be the duty of the Commission--

(a) to submit to the Secretary of State from time to time particulars of what it proposes to do for the purpose of performing its functions; and

(b) subject to the following paragraph, to ensure that its activities are in accordance with proposals approved by the Secretary of State; and

(c) to give effect to any directions given to it by the Secretary of State.

(4) In addition to any other functions conferred on the Executive by virtue of this Part, it shall be the duty of the Executive--

(a) to exercise on behalf of the Commission such of the Commission's functions as the Commission directs it to exercise; and

(b) to give effect to any directions given to it by the Commission otherwise than in pursuance of paragraph (a) above;

but, except for the purpose of giving effect to directions given to the Commission by the Secretary of State, the Commission shall not give to the Executive any directions as to the enforcement of any of the relevant statutory provisions in a particular case.

(5) Without prejudice to subsection (2) above, it shall be the duty of the Executive, if so requested by a Minister of the Crown--

(a) to provide him with information about the activities of the Executive in connection with any matter with which he is concerned; and

(b) to provide him with advice on any matter with which he is concerned on which relevant expert advice is obtainable from any of the officers or servants of the Executive but which is not relevant to any of the general purposes of this Part.

(6) The Commission and the Executive shall, subject to any directions given to it in pursuance of this Part, have power to do anything (except borrow money) which is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to, the performance of any function of the Commission or, as the case may be, the Executive (including a function conferred on it by virtue of this subsection).

NOTES

Initial Commencement
To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Sub-ss (1)-(3): Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.
Sub-s (6): Appointment (in so far as it relates to the Executive): 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.
Sub-s (6): Appointment (in so far as it relates to the Commission): 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

Amendment

Sub-s (1): words "subject to subsections (2A) and (3)" in square brackets substituted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, para 3(1)(a).

Date in force: 1 April 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(2), Schedule.

Sub-s (1): words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 4, Sch 18.
Sub-s (2): words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 4, Sch 18.
Sub-s (2A): inserted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, para 3(1)(b), (2).

Date in force: 1 April 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(2), Schedule.

Subordinate Legislation

Pressure Systems Safety Regulations 2000, SI 2000/128 (made under sub-s (2)(d)).
NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

13 Other powers of the Commission

(1) The Commission shall have power--

(a) to make agreements with any government department or other person for that department or person to perform on behalf of the Commission or the Executive (with or without payment) any of the functions of the Commission or, as the case may be, of the Executive;

(b) subject to subsection (2) below, to make agreements with any Minister of the Crown, government department or other public authority for the Commission to perform on behalf of that Minister, department or authority (with or without payment) functions exercisable by the Minister, department or authority (including, in the case of a Minister, functions not conferred by an enactment), being functions which in the opinion of the Secretary of State can appropriately be performed by the Commission in connection with any of the Commission's functions;

(c) to provide (with or without payment) services or facilities required otherwise than for the general purposes of this Part in so far as they are required by any government department or other public authority in connection with the exercise by that department or authority of any of its functions;

(d) to appoint persons or committees of persons to provide the Commission with advice in connection with any of its functions and (without prejudice to the generality of the following paragraph) to pay to persons so appointed such remuneration as the Secretary of State may with the approval of the Minister for the Civil Service determine;

(e) in connection with any of the functions of the Commission, to pay to any person such travelling and subsistence allowances and such compensation for loss of remunerative time as the Secretary of State may with the approval of the Minister for the Civil Service determine;

(f) to carry out or arrange for or make payments in respect of research into any matter connected with any of the Commission's functions, and to disseminate or arrange for or make payments in respect of the dissemination of information derived from such research;
(g) to include, in any arrangements made by the Commission for the provision of facilities or services by it or on its behalf, provision for the making of payments to the Commission or any person acting on its behalf by other parties to the arrangements and by persons who use those facilities or services.

(2) Nothing in subsection (1)(b) shall authorise the Commission to perform any function of a Minister, department or authority which consists of a power to make regulations or other instruments of a legislative character.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

Transfer of Functions

Functions of the Minister for the Civil Service transferred to the Treasury by virtue of the Transfer of Functions (Minister for the Civil Service and Treasury) Order 1981, SI 1981/1670.

14 Power of the Commission to direct investigations and inquiries

(1) This section applies to the following matters, that is to say any accident, occurrence, situation or other matter whatsoever which the Commission thinks it necessary or expedient to investigate for any of the general purposes of this Part or with a view to the making of regulations for those purposes; and for the purposes of this subsection

[(a) those general purposes shall be treated as not including the railway safety purposes; but

(b) it is otherwise]

immaterial whether the Executive is or is not responsible for securing the enforcement of such (if any) of the relevant statutory provisions as relate to the matter in question.

(2) The Commission may at any time--

(a) direct the Executive or authorise any other person to investigate and make a special report on any matter to which this section applies; or
(b) with the consent of the Secretary of State direct an inquiry to be held into any such matter;

. . .

(3) Any inquiry held by virtue of subsection (2)(b) above shall be held in accordance with regulations made for the purposes of this subsection by the Secretary of State, and shall be held in public except where or to the extent that the regulations provide otherwise.

(4) Regulations made for the purposes of subsection (3) above may in particular include provision--

(a) conferring on the person holding any such inquiry, and any person assisting him in the inquiry, powers of entry and inspection;

(b) conferring on any such person powers of summoning witnesses to give evidence or produce documents and power to take evidence on oath and administer oaths or require the making of declarations;

(c) requiring any such inquiry to be held otherwise than in public where or to the extent that a Minister of the Crown so directs.

(5) In the case of a special report made by virtue of subsection (2)(a) above or a report made by the person holding an inquiry held by virtue of subsection (2)(b) above, the Commission may cause the report, or so much of it as the Commission thinks fit, to be made public at such time and in such manner as the Commission thinks fit.

(6) The Commission--

(a) in the case of an investigation and special report made by virtue of subsection (2)(a) above (otherwise than by an officer or servant of the Executive), may pay to the person making it such remuneration and expenses as the Secretary of State may, with the approval of the Minister for the Civil Service, determine;

(b) in the case of an inquiry held by virtue of subsection (2)(b) above, may pay to the person holding it and to any assessor appointed to assist him such remuneration and expenses, and to persons attending the inquiry as witnesses such expenses, as the Secretary of State may, with the like approval, determine; and

(c) may, to such extent as the Secretary of State may determine, defray the other costs, if any, of any such investigation and special report or inquiry.

(7) Where an inquiry is directed to be held by virtue of subsection (2)(b) above into any matter to which this section applies arising in Scotland, being a matter which causes the death of any person, no inquiry with regard to that death shall, unless the Lord Advocate otherwise directs, be held in pursuance of the [Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths Inquiry (Scotland) Act 1976].

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.
Amendment

Sub-s (1): paras (a), (b) substituted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, para 4(5).

Date in force: 1 April 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(2), Schedule; for effect see the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, paras 5, 6.

Sub-s (2): words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 5, Sch 18.

Sub-s (7): words in square brackets substituted by the Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths Inquiry (Scotland) Act 1976, s 8(1), Sch 1, para 4.

Transfer of Functions

Functions of the Minister for the Civil Service transferred to the Treasury by virtue of the Transfer of Functions (Minister for the Civil Service and Treasury) Order 1981, SI 1981/1670.

Subordinate Legislation

Health and Safety Inquiries (Procedure) Regulations 1975, SI 1975/335 (made under sub-s (3), (4)).
Health and Safety Inquiries (Procedure) (Amendment) Regulations 1976, SI 1976/1246 (made under sub-s (3)).


Health and safety regulations and approved codes of practice

15 Health and safety regulations

[(1) Subject to the provisions of section 50, the Secretary of State. . . shall have power to make regulations under this section for any of the general purposes of this Part (and regulations so made are in this Part referred to as "health and safety regulations").]

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the preceding subsection, health and safety regulations may for any of the general purposes of this Part make provision for any of the purposes mentioned in Schedule 3.

(3) Health and safety regulations--

(a) may repeal or modify any of the existing statutory provisions;

(b) may exclude or modify in relation to any specified class of case any of the provisions of sections 2 to 9 or any of the existing statutory provisions;

(c) may make a specified authority or class of authorities responsible, to such extent as may be specified, for the enforcement of any of the relevant statutory provisions.
(4) Health and safety regulations--
   (a) may impose requirements by reference to the approval of the Commis-
       sion or any other specified body or person;
   (b) may provide for references in the regulations to any specified docu-
       ment to operate as references to that document as revised or re-issued from
time to time.

(5) Health and safety regulations--
   (a) may provide (either unconditionally or subject to conditions, and
       with or without limit of time) for exemptions from any requirement or prohi-
       bition imposed by or under any of the relevant statutory provisions;
   (b) may enable exemptions from any requirement or prohibition imposed by
       or under any of the relevant statutory provisions to be granted (either un-
       conditionally or subject to conditions, and with or without limit of time)
       by any specified person or by any person authorised in that behalf by a
       specified authority.

(6) Health and safety regulations--
   (a) may specify the persons or classes of persons who, in the event of a
       contravention of a requirement or prohibition imposed by or under the regu-
       lations, are to be guilty of an offence, whether in addition to or to the
       exclusion of other persons or classes of persons;
   (b) may provide for any specified defence to be available in proceedings
       for any offence under the relevant statutory provisions either generally or
       in specified circumstances;
   (c) may exclude proceedings on indictment in relation to offences con-
       sisting of a contravention of a requirement or prohibition imposed by or un-
       der any of the existing statutory provisions, sections 2 to 9 or health and
       safety regulations;
   (d) may restrict the punishments [(other than the maximum fine on con-
       viction on indictment)] which can be imposed in respect of any such offence
       as is mentioned in paragraph (c) above;
   [(e) in the case of regulations made for any purpose mentioned in sec-
       tion 1(1) of the Offshore Safety Act 1992, may provide that any offence con-
       sisting of a contravention of the regulations, or of any requirement or pro-
       hibition imposed by or under them, shall be punishable on conviction on in-
       dictment by imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or a fine, or
       both.]

(7) Without prejudice to section 35, health and safety regulations may
    make provision for enabling offences under any of the relevant statutory pro-
    visions to be treated as having been committed at any specified place for the
    purpose of bringing any such offence within the field of responsibility of any
    enforcing authority or conferring jurisdiction on any court to entertain pro-
    ceedings for any such offence.

(8) Health and safety regulations may take the form of regulations apply-
    ing to particular circumstances only or to a particular case only (for exam-
    ple, regulations applying to particular premises only).

(9) If an Order in Council is made under section 84 (3) providing that
    this section shall apply to or in relation to persons, premises or work out-
    side Great Britain then, notwithstanding the Order, health and safety regula-
    tions shall not apply to or in relation to aircraft in flight, vessels, hover-
    craft or offshore installations outside Great Britain or persons at work out-
    side Great Britain in connection with submarine cables or submarine pipelines
    except in so far as the regulations expressly so provide.
In this section "specified" means specified in health and safety regulations.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

Amendment

Sub-s (1): words omitted repealed by SI 2002/794, art 5(2), Sch 2.


Sub-s (6): in para (d) words "(other than the maximum fine on conviction on indictment)" in square brackets inserted by the Criminal Law Act 1977, s 65, Sch 12.
Sub-s (6): para (e) inserted by the Offshore Safety Act 1992, s 4(1), (6).

See Further

See further, for additional provision as to the power to make regulations under this section: the Offshore Safety Act 1992, ss 1(2), 2(2), and the Railways Act 1993, s 117(3).

Subordinate Legislation

Celluloid and Cinematograph Film Act 1922 (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/1841 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Explosive Acts 1875 and 1923 etc (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/1885 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Factories Act 1961 etc (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/1941 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Petroleum (Regulation) Acts 1928 and 1936 (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/1942 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963 (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/1943 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Pipe-lines Act 1962 (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/1986 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Coal Industry Nationalisation Act 1946 (Repeals) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/2011 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Ministry of Fuel and Power Act 1945 (Repeal) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/2012 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Mines and Quarries Acts 1954 to 1971 (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/2013 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Nuclear Installations Act 1965 etc (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/2056 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Explosives Acts 1875 and 1923 etc (Repeals and Modifications) (Amendment) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/2166 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Clean Air Enactments (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/2170 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963 (Repeals) Regulations 1975, SI 1975/1011 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Factories Act 1961 (Repeals) Regulations 1975, SI 1975/1012 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Mines and Quarries Acts 1954 to 1971 (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1975, SI 1975/1102 (made under sub-s (1), (3)(a)).
Coal Mines (Respirable Dust) Regulations 1975, SI 1975/1433 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a), (5)(b)).
Health and Safety (Agriculture) (Miscellaneous Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1976, SI 1976/1247 (made under sub-s (1), (3)(a)).
Fire Certificates (Special Premises) Regulations 1976, SI 1976/2003 (made under sub-ss (1), (4)(a), (5), (6)(a), (b)).
Factories Act 1961 etc (Repeals) Regulations 1976, SI 1976/2004 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963 etc (Repeals) Regulations 1976, SI 1976/2005 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Mines and Quarries (Metrication) Regulations 1976, SI 1976/2063 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a)).
Safety Representatives and Safety Committees Regulations 1977, SI 1977/500 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(b), (5)(b)).
Coal Mines (Precautions against Inflammable Dust) Amendment Regulations 1977, SI 1977/913 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(b)).
Coal Mines (Respirable Dust) (Amendment) Regulations 1978, SI 1978/807 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Coal and Other Mines (Metrication) Regulations 1978, SI 1978/1648 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Compressed Acetylene (Importation) Regulations 1978, SI 1978/1723 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (b)).
Mines (Precautions Against Inrushes) Regulations 1979, SI 1979/318 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a)).
Petroleum (Consolidation) Act 1928 (Enforcement) Regulations 1979, SI 1979/427 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a), (c)).
Explosives Act 1875 (Exemptions) Regulations 1979, SI 1979/1378 (made under sub-ss (1), (5)(b)).
Coal and Other Mines (Fire and Rescue) (Amendment) Regulations 1980, SI 1980/942 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Celluloid and Cinematograph Film Act 1922 (Exemptions) Regulations 1980, SI 1980/1314 (made under sub-ss (1), (5)(b)).
Health and Safety (First-Aid) Regulations 1981, SI 1981/917 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(b), (9)).
Petroleum-Spirit (Plastic Containers) Regulations 1982, SI 1982/630 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (c), (5)(a), (6)(b)).
Notification of Installations Handling Hazardous Substances Regulations 1982, SI 1982/1357 (made under sub-ss (1)-(3), (5)(b)).
Classification and Labelling of Explosives Regulations 1983, SI 1983/1140 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (c), (4)(a), (b), (5)(a), (b), (6)(b)).
Asbestos (Licensing) Regulations 1983, SI 1983/1649 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a), (5)(b), (9)).
Explosives Act 1875 etc. (Metrication and Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1984, SI 1984/510 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Freight Containers (Safety Convention) Regulations 1984, SI 1984/1890 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4), (5)(b), (6)(b), (9)).
Ionising Radiations Regulations 1985, SI 1985/1333 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (4), (5), (6)(a), (b), (9)).
Dangerous Substances in Harbour Areas Regulations 1987, SI 1987/37 (made under sub-ss (1)-(3)(a), (c), (4), (5)(b), (6)(a), (b), (9)).
Health and Safety (Explosives and Petroleum Fees) (Modification) Regulations 1987, SI 1987/52 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Control of Industrial Air Pollution (Transfer of Powers of Enforcement) Regulations 1987, SI 1987/180 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a), (c)).
Docks Regulations 1988, SI 1988/1655 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (c), (4)(a), (5)(b)).
Loading and Unloading of Fishing Vessels Regulations 1988, SI 1988/1656 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(c), (5)(b)).
Mines (Safety of Exit) Regulations 1988, SI 1988/1729 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (5)(b)).
Electricity at Work Regulations 1989, SI 1989/635 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b), (8), (9)).
Health and Safety Information for Employees Regulations 1989, SI 1989/682 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).
Offshore Installations and Pipeline Works (First-Aid) Regulations 1989, SI 1989/1671 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b), (9)).
Noise at Work Regulations 1989, SI 1989/1790 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (5)(b)).
Construction (Head Protection) Regulations 1989, SI 1989/2209 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (5)(b), (9)).
Dangerous Substances (Notification and Marking of Sites) Regulations 1990, SI 1990/304 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(c), (4)(a), (5)(b)).
Control of Asbestos in the Air Regulations 1990, SI 1990/556 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)).
Agriculture (Tractor Cabs) (Amendment) Regulations 1990, SI 1990/1075 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a), (4)(a)).
Nuclear Installations Act 1965 (Repeal and Modifications) Regulations 1990, SI 1990/1918 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Control of Explosives Regulations 1991, SI 1991/1531 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (c), (4), (5), (9)).
Health and Safety (Leasing Arrangements) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/1524 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(b)).
Health and Safety (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Metrication etc.) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/1811 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)(b)).
Notification of Cooling Towers and Evaporative Condensers Regulations 1992, SI 1992/2225 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a)).
Health and Safety (Display Screen Equipment) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/2792 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (5)(b), (9)).
Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992, SI 1992/2793 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)(a), (9)).
Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/2885 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).
Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations 1992, SI 1992/2966 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (5)(b), (9)).
Public Information for Radiation Emergencies Regulations 1992, SI 1992/2997 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)).
Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3004 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)(b)).
Asbestos (Prohibitions) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3067 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (5)(b), (9)).
Coal and Other Safety-Lamp Mines (Explosives) Regulations 1993, SI 1993/208 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).
Mines (Shafts and Winding) Regulations 1993, SI 1993/302 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4), (5)(b)).
Offshore Safety (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1993, SI 1993/1823 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).
Management and Administration of Safety and Health at Mines Regulations 1993, SI 1993/1897 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(a)).
Coal Mines (Owner's Operating Rules) Regulations 1993, SI 1993/2331 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (6)(b)).
Placing on the Market and Supervision of Transfers of Explosives Regulations 1993, SI 1993/2714 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a), (b), (4)(b)).
Notification of New Substances Regulations 1993, SI 1993/3050 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(c), (4)(a), (5)(b)).
Railways (Safety Critical Work) Regulations 1994, SI 1994/299 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).
Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 1994, SI 1994/3140 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (c), (4)(a), (6)(b), (9)).
Offshore Installations and Pipeline Works (Management and Administration) Regulations 1995, SI 1995/738 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)(b)).
Offshore Installations (Prevention of Fire and Explosion, and Emergency Response) Regulations 1995, SI 1995/743 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)(b)).

Mines Miscellaneous Health and Safety Provisions Regulations 1995, SI 1995/2005 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (4)(a)).

Borehole Sites and Operations Regulations 1995, SI 1995/2038 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(a), (b)).

Escape and Rescue from Mines Regulations 1995, SI 1995/2870 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (b), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b), (8)).

Health and Safety Information for Employees (Modifications and Repeals) Regulations 1995, SI 1995/3163 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(a), (b), (6)(b), (9)).

Health and Safety (Safety Signs and Signals) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/341 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (c), (9)).

Gas Safety (Management) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/551 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).

Pipelines Safety Regulations 1996, SI 1996/825 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).

Marking of Plastic Explosives for Detection Regulations 1996, SI 1996/890 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)).

Offshore Installations and Wells (Design and Construction, etc) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/913 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).

Construction (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/1592 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (c), (5)(b)).

Work in Compressed Air Regulations 1996, SI 1996/1656 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).

Mines (Substances Hazardous to Health) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2001 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b), (9)).

Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2089 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).

Carriage of Dangerous Goods (Classification, Packaging and Labelling) and Use of Transportable Pressure Receptacles Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2092 (made under sub-ss (1)-(4), (5)(b), (6)(b), (9)).

Carriage of Explosives by Road Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2093 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(c), (4), (5)(b), (6)(b)).

Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (Driver Training) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2094 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(c), (4), (5)(b), (6)(b)).

Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2095 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(c), (4), (5)(b), (6)(b)).

Level Crossings Regulations 1997, SI 1997/487 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (6)(a), (b)).

Railway Safety (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1997, SI 1997/553 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (6)(a), (b)).

Confined Spaces Regulations 1997, SI 1997/1713 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)(a), (b), (6)(a), (b), (8), (9)).

Offshore Electricity and Noise Regulations 1997, SI 1997/1993 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a), (9)).

Merchant Shipping (Dangerous Goods and Marine Pollutants) Regulations 1997, SI 1997/2367 (made under sub-ss (1)).

Diving at Work Regulations 1997, SI 1997/2776 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a), (5)(b), (9)).

Health and Safety (Enforcing Authority) Regulations 1998, SI 1998/494 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a), (c)).

Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1998, SI 1998/2306 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5), (6)(a)).

Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998, SI 1998/2307 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)(b)).

Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998, SI 1998/2451 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a), (5), (6)(b)).

Carriage of Dangerous Goods (Amendment) Regulations 1998, SI 1998/2885 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)).
Asbestos (Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 1998, SI 1998/3233 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (5)(b), (9)).
Prevention of Accidents to Children in Agriculture Regulations 1998, SI 1998/3262 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a), (6)(b)).
Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 1999, SI 1999/743 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3), (4)(a), (5)(b)).
Police (Health and Safety) Regulations 1999, SI 1999/860 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (8)).
Quarries Regulations 1999, SI 1999/2024 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)(b)).
Railway Safety Regulations 1999, SI 1999/2244 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).
Mines (Control of Ground Movement) Regulations 1999, SI 1999/2463 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).
Asbestos (Prohibitions) (Amendment) (No 2) Regulations 1999, SI 1999/2977 (made under sub-ss 15(1), (2), (5)(b)).
Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999, SI 1999/3232 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b), (9)).
Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, SI 1999/3242 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5), (9)).
Pressure Systems Safety Regulations 2000, SI 2000/128 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(b), (5)(b), (6)(a), (b), (9)).
Construction (Design and Management) (Amendment) Regulations 2000, SI 2000/2380 (made under sub-s (1)).
Railways (Safety Case) Regulations 2000, SI 2000/2688 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).
Genetically Modified Organisms (Contained Use) Regulations 2000, SI 2000/2831 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(b), (c), (4)(a), (5)(b), (9)).
Biocidal Products Regulations 2001, SI 2001/880 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(c), (5)(b), (8), (9)).
Notification of New Substances (Amendment) Regulations 2001, SI 2001/1055 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)).
Railway Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2001, SI 2001/3291 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).
Genetically Modified Organisms (Contained Use) (Amendment) Regulations 2002, SI 2002/63 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)).
Health and Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2174 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a)).
Notification of New Substances (Amendment) Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2176 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)).
Control of Asbestos at Work Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2675 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4), (5)(b), (6)(b), (9)).
Control of Lead at Work Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2676 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)(a), (5)(b)).
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2677 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(b), (4), (5)(b), (6)(b), (9)).
Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2776 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)).
Notification of Installations Handling Hazardous Substances (Amendment) Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2979 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a)).
Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, SI 2003/403 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(c), (4)(a), (5)(a), (b)).
Railways (Safety Case) (Amendment) Regulations 2003, SI 2003/579 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)).
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (Amendment) Regulations 2003, SI 2003/978 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)).
Ammonium Nitrate Materials (High Nitrogen Content) Safety Regulations 2003, SI 2003/1082 (made under sub-ss (1)-(3), (5), (6)).
Asbestos (Prohibitions) (Amendment) Regulations 2003, SI 2003/1889 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (6)(b)).
Management of Health and Safety at Work and Fire Precautions (Workplace) (Amendment) Regulations 2003, SI 2003/2457 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)).

Pipelines Safety (Amendment) Regulations 2003, SI 2003/2563 (made under sub-ss (1), (4)(a), (6)(a), (8)).

Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment Regulations 2004, SI 2004/568 (made under sub-ss (1)-(5), (6)(a), (b)).

Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (Amendment) Regulations 2004, SI 2004/3386 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4), (5)(b), (6)(b)).

Anthrax Prevention Order 1971 etc (Revocation) Regulations 2005, SI 2005/228 (made under sub-ss (1), (3)(a)).

Work at Height Regulations 2005, SI 2005/735 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (5)(b), (6)(a)).

Manufacture and Storage of Explosives Regulations 2005, SI 2005/1082 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)).

Control of Major Accident Hazards (Amendment) Regulations 2005, SI 2005/1088 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)).

Control of Vibration at Work Regulations 2005, SI 2005/1093 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (5)).

Control of Noise at Work Regulations 2005, SI 2005/1643 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (5)).

Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment (Amendment) Regulations 2005, SI 2005/1732 (made under sub-ss (1)-(5), (6)(a), (b)).

Genetically Modified Organisms (Contained Use) (Amendment) Regulations 2005, SI 2005/2466 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)).

Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) (Amendment) Regulations 2005, SI 2005/2571 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a)).

Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005, SI 2005/3117 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (4)(a), (5)(b), (6)(b)).

Management of Health and Safety at Work (Amendment) Regulations 2006, SI 2006/438 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)).

Health and Safety (Enforcing Authority for Railways and Other Guided Transport Systems) Regulations 2006, SI 2006/557 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (c), (4)(a), (5)(b)).

Railways and Other Guided Transport Systems (Safety) (Amendment) Regulations 2006, SI 2006/1097 (made under sub-ss (1)).

Railways and Other Guided Transport Systems (Safety) Regulations 2006, SI 2006/599 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (3)(a), (c), (4)-(6)).

16 Approval of codes of practice by the Commission

(1) For the purpose of providing practical guidance with respect to the requirements of any provision of [any of the enactments or instruments mentioned in subsection (1A) below], the Commission may, subject to the following subsection ...-

(a) approve and issue such codes of practice (whether prepared by it or not) as in its opinion are suitable for that purpose;
(b) approve such codes of practice issued or proposed to be issued otherwise than by the Commission as in its opinion are suitable for that purpose.

[(1A) Those enactments and instruments are--

(a) sections 2 to 7 above;

(b) health and safety regulations, except so far as they make provision exclusively in relation to transport systems falling within paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 3 to the Railways Act 2005; and

(c) the existing statutory provisions that are not such provisions by virtue of section 117(4) of the Railways Act 1993.]

(2) The Commission shall not approve a code of practice under subsection (1) above without the consent of the Secretary of State, and shall, before seeking his consent, consult--

(a) any government department or other body that appears to the Commission to be appropriate (and, in particular, in the case of a code relating to electro-magnetic radiations, [the Health Protection Agency]); and

(b) such government departments and other bodies, if any, as in relation to any matter dealt with in the code, the Commission is required to consult under this section by virtue of directions given to it by the Secretary of State.

(3) Where a code of practice is approved by the Commission under subsection (1) above, the Commission shall issue a notice in writing--

(a) identifying the code in question and stating the date on which its approval by the Commission is to take effect; and

(b) specifying for which of the provisions mentioned in subsection (1) above the code is approved.

(4) The Commission may--

(a) from time to time revise the whole or any part of any code of practice prepared by it in pursuance of this section;

(b) approve any revision or proposed revision of the whole or any part of any code of practice for the time being approved under this section;

and the provisions of subsections (2) and (3) above shall, with the necessary modifications, apply in relation to the approval of any revision under this subsection as they apply in relation to the approval of a code of practice under subsection (1) above.

(5) The Commission may at any time with the consent of the Secretary of State withdraw its approval from any code of practice approved under this section, but before seeking his consent shall consult the same government departments and other bodies as it would be required to consult under subsection (2) above if it were proposing to approve the code.

(6) Where under the preceding subsection the Commission withdraws its approval from a code of practice approved under this section, the Commission shall issue a notice in writing identifying the code in question and stating the date on which its approval of it is to cease to have effect.

(7) References in this part to an approved code of practice are references to that code as it has effect for the time being by virtue of any revision of the whole or any part of it approved under this section.
(8) The power of the Commission under subsection (1)(b) above to approve a code of practice issued or proposed to be issued otherwise than by the Commission shall include power to approve a part of such a code of practice; and accordingly in this Part "code of practice" may be read as including a part of such a code of practice.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

Amendment

Sub-s (1): words "any of the enactments or instruments mentioned in subsection (1A) below" in square brackets substituted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, para 9(1).

Date in force: 1 April 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(2), Schedule.

Sub-s (1): words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 7, Sch 18.

Sub-s (1A): inserted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, para 9(2).

Date in force: 1 April 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(2), Schedule.

Sub-s (2): words "the Health Protection Agency" in square brackets substituted by the Health Protection Agency Act 2004, s 11(1), Sch 3, para 5(1), (2).

Date in force: 1 April 2005: see SI 2005/121, art 2(2).

17 Use of approved codes of practice in criminal proceedings

(1) A failure on the part of any person to observe any provision of an approved code of practice shall not of itself render him liable to any civil or criminal proceedings; but where in any criminal proceedings a party is alleged to have committed an offence by reason of a contravention of any requirement or prohibition imposed by or under any such provision as is mentioned in section 16(1) being a provision for which there was an approved code of practice at the time of the alleged contravention, the following subsection shall have effect with respect to that code in relation to those proceedings.
Any provision of the code of practice which appears to the court to be relevant to the requirement or prohibition alleged to have been contravened shall be admissible in evidence in the proceedings; and if it is proved that there was at any material time a failure to observe any provision of the code which appears to the court to be relevant to any matter which it is necessary for the prosecution to prove in order to establish a contravention of that requirement or prohibition, that matter shall be taken as proved unless the court is satisfied that the requirement or prohibition was in respect of that matter complied with otherwise than by way of observance of that provision of the code.

In any criminal proceedings--

(a) a document purporting to be a notice issued by the Commission under section 16 shall be taken to be such a notice unless the contrary is proved; and

(b) a code of practice which appears to the court to be the subject of such a notice shall be taken to be the subject of that notice unless the contrary is proved.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

(1) It shall be the duty of the Executive to make adequate arrangements for the enforcement of the relevant statutory provisions except to the extent that some other authority or class of authorities is by any of those provisions or by regulations under subsection (2) below made responsible for their enforcement.

(2) The Secretary of State may by regulations--

(a) make local authorities responsible for the enforcement of the relevant statutory provisions to such extent as may be prescribed;
(b) make provision for enabling responsibility for enforcing any of the relevant statutory provisions to be, to such extent as may be determined under the regulations--

(i) transferred from the Executive to local authorities or from local authorities to the Executive; or

(ii) assigned to the Executive or to local authorities for the purpose of removing any uncertainty as to what are by virtue of this subsection their respective responsibilities for the enforcement of those provisions;

and any regulations made in pursuance of paragraph (b) above shall include provision for securing that any transfer or assignment effected under the regulations is brought to the notice of persons affected by it.

(3) Any provision made by regulations under the preceding subsection shall have effect subject to any provision made by health and safety regulations . . . in pursuance of section 15(3)(c).

(4) It shall be the duty of every local authority--

(a) to make adequate arrangements for the enforcement within their area of the relevant statutory provisions to the extent that they are by any of those provisions or by regulations under subsection (2) above made responsible for their enforcement; and

(b) to perform the duty imposed on them by the preceding paragraph and any other functions conferred on them by any of the relevant statutory provisions in accordance with such guidance as the Commission may give them.

(5) Where any authority other than . . . the Executive or a local authority is by any of the relevant statutory provisions . . . made responsible for the enforcement of any of those provisions to any extent, it shall be the duty of that authority--

(a) to make adequate arrangements for the enforcement of those provisions to that extent; and

(b) [except where that authority is the Office of Rail Regulation,] to perform the duty imposed on the authority by the preceding paragraph and any other functions conferred on the authority by any of the relevant statutory provisions in accordance with such guidance as the Commission may give to the authority.

(6) Nothing in the provisions of this Act or of any regulations made thereunder charging any person in Scotland with the enforcement of any of the relevant statutory provisions shall be construed as authorising that person to institute proceedings for any offence.

(7) In this Part--

(a) "enforcing authority" means the Executive or any other authority which is by any of the relevant statutory provisions or by regulations under subsection (2) above made responsible for the enforcement of any of those provisions to any extent; and

(b) any reference to an enforcing authority's field of responsibility is a reference to the field over which that authority's responsibility for the enforcement of those provisions extends for the time being;

but where by virtue of paragraph (a) of section 13(1) the performance of any function of the Commission or the Executive is delegated to a government department or person, references to the Commission or the Executive (or to an enforcing authority where that authority is the Executive) in any provision of this Part which relates to that function shall, so far as may be necessary to
give effect to any agreement under that paragraph, be construed as references
to that department or person; and accordingly any reference to the field of
responsibility of an enforcing authority shall be construed as a reference to
the field over which that department or person for the time being performs
such a function.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Sub-s (3): words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 8, Sch 18.
Sub-s (5): first words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 8, Sch 18.
Sub-s (5): second words omitted repealed by the Railways Act 2005, s 59(6), Sch 13, Pt 1.

Date in force: 8 June 2005: see SI 2005/1444, art 2(1), Sch 1.

Sub-s (5): in para (b) words "except where that authority is the Office of
Rail Regulation," in square brackets inserted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2,
Sch 3, para 10(3).

Date in force: 1 April 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(2), Schedule.

See Further

The Environment Act 1995, Sch 22, para 30(2) provides for the Environment
Agency (in relation to England and Wales) and the Scottish Environment Protec-
tion Agency (in relation to Scotland) to be regarded for the purposes of this
Part as the authority which is, by any of the relevant statutory provisions,
made responsible for the enforcement of the Alkali, &c, Works Regulation Act
1906 and section 5 of this Act; for further consequential provision as to the
modification of this Part see Sch 22, para 30(3)-(5) of the 1995 Act.

Subordinate Legislation

Petroleum (Consolidation) Act 1928 (Enforcement) Regulations 1979, SI 1979/427
(made under sub-s (2)).
Health and Safety (Enforcing Authority) Regulations 1998, SI 1998/494 (made
under sub-s (2)).
Control of Asbestos at Work Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2675 (made under sub-s (2)).
Ammonium Nitrate Materials (High Nitrogen Content) Safety Regulations 2003, SI
2003/1082 (made under sub-s (2)).
Adventure Activities (Enforcing Authority) Regulations 2004, SI 2004/1359
(made under sub-s (2)).
Railways and Other Guided Transport Systems (Safety) Regulations 2006, SI
2006/599 (made under sub-s (2)).
19 Appointment of inspectors

(1) Every enforcing authority may appoint as inspectors (under whatever title it may from time to time determine) such persons having suitable qualifications as it thinks necessary for carrying into effect the relevant statutory provisions within its field of responsibility, and may terminate any appointment made under this section.

(2) Every appointment of a person as an inspector under this section shall be made by an instrument in writing specifying which of the powers conferred on inspectors by the relevant statutory provisions are to be exercisable by the person appointed; and an inspector shall in right of his appointment under this section--

(a) be entitled to exercise only such of those powers as are so specified; and

(b) be entitled to exercise the powers so specified only within the field of responsibility of the authority which appointed him.

(3) So much of an inspector's instrument of appointment as specifies the powers which he is entitled to exercise may be varied by the enforcing authority which appointed him.

(4) An inspector shall, if so required when exercising or seeking to exercise any power conferred on him by any of the relevant statutory provisions, produce his instrument of appointment or a duly authenticated copy thereof.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further

See further the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, SI 2003/403, reg 23(1), (2)(a), (3).

See further, in relation to the application of this section, with modifications, for the purpose of the enforcement of Regulation (EC) No 304/2003 of

20 Powers of inspectors

(1) Subject to the provisions of section 19 and this section, an inspector may, for the purpose of carrying into effect any of the relevant statutory provisions within the field of responsibility of the enforcing authority which appointed him, exercise the powers set out in subsection (2) below.

(2) The powers of an inspector referred to in the preceding subsection are the following, namely--

(a) at any reasonable time (or, in a situation which in his opinion is or may be dangerous, at any time) to enter any premises which he has reason to believe it is necessary for him to enter for the purpose mentioned in subsection (1) above;

(b) to take with him a constable if he has reasonable cause to apprehend any serious obstruction in the execution of his duty;

(c) without prejudice to the preceding paragraph, on entering any premises by virtue of paragraph (a) above to take with him--

(i) any other person duly authorised by his (the inspector's) enforcing authority; and

(ii) any equipment or materials required for any purpose for which the power of entry is being exercised;

(d) to make such examination and investigation as may in any circumstances be necessary for the purpose mentioned in subsection (1) above;

(e) as regards any premises which he has power to enter, to direct that those premises or any part of them, or anything therein, shall be left undisturbed (whether generally or in particular respects) for so long as is reasonably necessary for the purpose of any examination or investigation under paragraph (d) above;

(f) to take such measurements and photographs and make such recordings as he considers necessary for the purpose of any examination or investigation under paragraph (d) above;

(g) to take samples of any articles or substances found in any premises which he has power to enter, and of the atmosphere in or in the vicinity of any such premises;

(h) in the case of any article or substance found in any premises which he has power to enter, being an article or substance which appears to him to have caused or to be likely to cause danger to health or safety, to cause it to be dismantled or subjected to any process or test (but not so as to damage or destroy it unless this is in the circumstances necessary for the purpose mentioned in subsection (1) above);
(i) in the case of any such article or substance as is mentioned in the
preceding paragraph, to take possession of it and detain it for so long as
is necessary for all or any of the following purposes, namely--

(ii) to examine it and do to it anything which he has power to do under
that paragraph;

(iii) to ensure that it is not tampered with before his examination of
it is completed;

(iv) to ensure that it is available for use as evidence in any pro-
ceedings for an offence under any of the relevant statutory provisions or
any proceedings relating to a notice under section 21 or 22;

(j) to require any person whom he has reasonable cause to believe to be
able to give any information relevant to any examination or investigation
under paragraph (d) above to answer (in the absence of persons other than a
person nominated by him to be present and any persons whom the inspector may
allow to be present) such questions as the inspector thinks fit to ask and
and to sign a declaration of the truth of his answers;

(k) to require the production of, inspect, and take copies of or of any
entry in--

(i) any books or documents which by virtue of any of the relevant
statutory provisions are required to be kept; and

(ii) any other books or documents which it is necessary for him to see
for the purposes of any examination or investigation under paragraph (d)
above;

(l) to require any person to afford him such facilities and assistance
with respect to any matters or things within that person's control or in re-
lation to which that person has responsibilities as are necessary to enable
the inspector to exercise any of the powers conferred on him by this sec-
tion;

(m) any other power which is necessary for the purpose mentioned in sub-
section (1) above.

(3) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision as to the
procedure to be followed in connection with the taking of samples under sub-
section (2)(g) above (including provision as to the way in which samples that
have been so taken are to be dealt with).

(4) Where an inspector proposes to exercise the power conferred by subsec-
tion (2)(h) above in the case of an article or substance found in any prem-
ises, he shall, if so requested by a person who at the time is present in and
has responsibilities in relation to those premises, cause anything which is to
be done by virtue of that power to be done in the presence of that person
unless the inspector considers that its being done in that person's presence
would be prejudicial to the safety of the State.

(5) Before exercising the power conferred by subsection (2)(h) above in
the case of any article or substance, an inspector shall consult such persons
as appear to him appropriate for the purpose of ascertaining what dangers, if
any, there may be in doing anything which he proposes to do under that power.

(6) Where under the power conferred by subsection (2)(i) above an inspec-
tor takes possession of any article or substance found in any premises, he
shall leave there, either with a responsible person or, if that is impractica-
ble, fixed in a conspicuous position, a notice giving particulars of that ar-
ticle or substance sufficient to identify it and stating that he has taken
possession of it under that power; and before taking possession of any such
substance under that power an inspector shall, if it is practicable for him to
do so, take a sample thereof and give to a responsible person at the premises a portion of the sample marked in a manner sufficient to identify it.

(7) No answer given by a person in pursuance of a requirement imposed under subsection (2)(j) above shall be admissible in evidence against that person or the [spouse or civil partner] of that person in any proceedings.

(8) Nothing in this section shall be taken to compel the production by any person of a document of which he would on grounds of legal professional privilege be entitled to withhold production on an order for discovery in an action in the High Court or, as the case may be, on an order for the production of documents in an action in the Court of Session.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Sub-s (7): words "spouse or civil partner" in square brackets substituted by the Civil Partnership Act 2004, s 261(1), Sch 27, para 49.

Date in force: 5 December 2005: see SI 2005/3175, art 2(2).

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further


Subordinate Legislation

Ammonium Nitrate Materials (High Nitrogen Content) Safety Regulations 2003, SI 2003/1082 (made under sub-s (3)).
21 Improvement notices

If an inspector is of the opinion that a person--

(a) is contravening one or more of the relevant statutory provisions; or
(b) has contravened one or more of those provisions in circumstances that make it likely that the contravention will continue or be repeated,

he may serve on him a notice (in this Part referred to as "an improvement notice") stating that he is of that opinion, specifying the provision or provisions as to which he is of that opinion, giving particulars of the reasons why he is of that opinion, and requiring that person to remedy the contravention or, as the case may be, the matters occasioning it within such period (ending not earlier than the period within which an appeal against the notice can be brought under section 24) as may be specified in the notice.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

22 Prohibition notices

(1) This section applies to any activities which are being or are [likely] to be carried on by or under the control of any person, being activities to or in relation to which any of the relevant statutory provisions apply or will, if the activities are so carried on, apply.

(2) If as regards any activities to which this section applies an inspector is of the opinion that, as carried on or [likely] to be carried on by or under the control of the person in question, the activities involve or, as the case may be, will involve a risk of serious personal injury, the inspector may serve on that person a notice (in this Part referred to as "a prohibition notice").
A prohibition notice shall--

(a) state that the inspector is of the said opinion;

(b) specify the matters which in his opinion give or, as the case may be, will give rise to the said risk;

(c) where in his opinion any of those matters involves or, as the case may be, will involve a contravention of any of the relevant statutory provisions, state that he is of that opinion, specify the provision or provisions as to which he is of that opinion, and give particulars of the reasons why he is of that opinion; and

(d) direct that the activities to which the notice relates shall not be carried on by or under the control of the person on whom the notice is served unless the matters specified in the notice in pursuance of paragraph (b) above and any associated contraventions of provisions so specified in pursuance of paragraph (c) above have been remedied.

[(4) A direction contained in a prohibition notice in pursuance of subsection (3)(d) above shall take effect--

(a) at the end of the period specified in the notice; or

(b) if the notice so declares, immediately.]

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Sub-ss (1), (2): words in square brackets substituted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 3, Sch 3.
Sub-s (4): substituted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 3, Sch 3.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.
(1) In this section "a notice" means an improvement notice or a prohibition notice.

(2) A notice may (but need not) include directions as to the measures to be taken to remedy any contravention or matter to which the notice relates; and any such directions--

(a) may be framed to any extent by reference to any approved code of practice; and

(b) may be framed so as to afford the person on whom the notice is served a choice between different ways of remedying the contravention or matter.

(3) Where any of the relevant statutory provisions applies to a building or any matter connected with a building and an inspector proposes to serve an improvement notice relating to a contravention of that provision in connection with that building or matter, the notice shall not direct any measures to be taken to remedy the contravention of that provision which are more onerous than those necessary to secure conformity with the requirements of any building regulations for the time being in force to which that building or matter would be required to conform if the relevant building were being newly erected unless the provision in question imposes specific requirements more onerous than the requirements of any such building regulations to which the building or matter would be required to conform as aforesaid.

In this subsection "the relevant building", in the case of a building, means that building, and, in the case of a matter connected with a building, means the building with which the matter is connected.

(4) Before an inspector serves in connection with any premises used or about to be used as a place of work a notice requiring or likely to lead to the taking of measures affecting the means of escape in case of fire with which the premises are or ought to be provided, he shall consult the [fire and rescue authority].

In this subsection "[fire and rescue authority]" has the meaning assigned by section 43(1) of the Fire Precautions Act 1971 [, in relation to premises, means--

(a) where the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 applies to the premises, the enforcing authority within the meaning given by article 25 of that Order;

(b) in any other case, the fire and rescue authority under the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 for the area where the premises are (or are to be) situated].

(5) Where an improvement notice or a prohibition notice which is not to take immediate effect has been served--

(a) the notice may be withdrawn by an inspector at any time before the end of the period specified therein in pursuance of section 21 or section 22(4) as the case may be; and

(b) the period so specified may be extended or further extended by an inspector at any time when an appeal against the notice is not pending.

(6) In the application of this section to Scotland--

(a) in subsection (3) for the words from "with the requirements" to "aforesaid" there shall be substituted the words--
"(a) to any provisions of the building standards regulations to which that building or matter would be required to conform if the relevant building were being newly erected; or

(b) where the sheriff, on an appeal to him under section 16 of the Building (Scotland) Act 1959--

(i) against an order under section 10 of that Act requiring the execution of operations necessary to make the building or matter conform to the building standards regulations, or

(ii) against an order under section 11 of that Act requiring the building or matter to conform to a provision of such regulations, has varied the order, to any provisions of the building standards regulations referred to in paragraph (a) above as affected by the order as so varied,

unless the relevant statutory provision imposes specific requirements more onerous than the requirements of any provisions of building standards regulations as aforesaid or, as the case may be, than the requirements of the order as varied by the sheriff."

(b) after subsection (5) there shall be inserted the following subsection--

"(5A) In subsection (3) above "building standards regulations" has the same meaning as in section 3 of the Building (Scotland) Act 1959."
Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

24 Appeal against improvement or prohibition notice

(1) In this section "a notice" means an improvement notice or a prohibition notice.

(2) A person on whom a notice is served may within such period from the date of its service as may be prescribed appeal to an [employment tribunal]; and on such an appeal the tribunal may either cancel or affirm the notice and, if it affirms it, may do so either in its original form or with such modifications as the tribunal may in the circumstances think fit.

(3) Where an appeal under this section is brought against a notice within the period allowed under the preceding subsection, then--

(a) in the case of an improvement notice, the bringing of the appeal shall have the effect of suspending the operation of the notice until the appeal is finally disposed of or, if the appeal is withdrawn, until the withdrawal of the appeal;

(b) in the case of a prohibition notice, the bringing of the appeal shall have the like effect if, but only if, on the application of the appellant the tribunal so directs (and then only from the giving of the direction).

(4) One or more assessors may be appointed for the purposes of any proceedings brought before an [employment tribunal] under this section.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Sub-s (2): words "employment tribunal" in square brackets substituted by the Employment Rights (Dispute Resolution) Act 1998, s 1(2)(a).


Date in force: 1 August 1998: see SI 1998/1658, art 2(1), Sch 1.

Sub-s (4): words "employment tribunal" in square brackets substituted by the Employment Rights (Dispute Resolution) Act 1998, s 1(2)(a).

Date in force: 1 August 1998: see SI 1998/1658, art 2(1), Sch 1.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further


Subordinate Legislation

Employment Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2001, SI 2001/1170 (made under sub-s (2)).

Employment Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedure) Regulations 2001, SI 2001/1171 (made under sub-s (2)).

Employment Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedure) (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 2001, SI 2001/1460 (made under sub-s (2)).

Employment Tribunals (Constitution and Rules of Procedure) Regulations 2004, SI 2004/1861 (made under sub-s (2)).

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25 Power to deal with cause of imminent danger

(1) Where, in the case of any article or substance found by him in any premises which he has power to enter, an inspector has reasonable cause to believe that, in the circumstances in which he finds it, the article or substance is a cause of imminent danger of serious personal injury, he may seize it and cause it to be rendered harmless (whether by destruction or otherwise).

(2) Before there is rendered harmless under this section--

(a) any article that forms part of a batch of similar articles; or

(b) any substance,

the inspector shall, if it is practicable for him to do so, take a sample thereof and give to a responsible person at the premises where the article or substance was found by him a portion of the sample marked in a manner sufficient to identify it.
(3) As soon as may be after any article or substance has been seized and rendered harmless under this section, the inspector shall prepare and sign a written report giving particulars of the circumstances in which the article or substance was seized and so dealt with by him, and shall--

(a) give a signed copy of the report to a responsible person at the premises where the article or substance was found by him; and

(b) unless that person is the owner of the article or substance, also serve a signed copy of the report on the owner;

and if, where paragraph (b) above applies, the inspector cannot after reasonable enquiry ascertain the name or address of the owner, the copy may be served on him by giving it to the person to whom a copy was given under the preceding paragraph.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.
holiday under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971 in the part of Great Britain where the goods are seized.]

NOTES

Amendment

Inserted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3, para 3.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further


26 Power of enforcing authorities to indemnify their inspectors

Where an action has been brought against an inspector in respect of an act done in the execution or purported execution of any of the relevant statutory provisions and the circumstances are such that he is not legally entitled to require the enforcing authority which appointed him to indemnify him, that authority may, nevertheless, indemnify him against the whole or part of any damages and costs or expenses which he may have been ordered to pay or may have incurred, if the authority is satisfied that he honestly believed that the act complained of was within his powers and that his duty as an inspector required or entitled him to do it.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Modification
Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further

See further the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, reg 23(1), (2)(c), (3).


Obtaining and disclosure of information

27 Obtaining of information by the Commission, the Executive, enforcing authorities etc

(1) For the purpose of obtaining--

(a) any information which the Commission needs for the discharge of its functions; or

(b) any information which an enforcing authority needs for the discharge of the authority's functions,

the Commission may, with the consent of the Secretary of State, serve on any person a notice requiring that person to furnish to the Commission or, as the case may be, to the enforcing authority in question such information about such matters as may be specified in the notice, and to do so in such form and manner and within such time as may be so specified.

In this subsection "consent" includes a general consent extending to cases of any stated description.

(2) Nothing in section 9 of the Statistics of Trade Act 1947 (which restricts the disclosure of information obtained under that Act) shall prevent or penalise--

(a) the disclosure by a Minister of the Crown to the Commission or the Executive of information obtained under that Act about any undertaking within the meaning of that Act, being information consisting of the names and addresses of the persons carrying on the undertaking, the nature of the undertaking's activities, the numbers of persons of different descriptions who work in the undertaking, the addresses or places where activities of the undertaking are or were carried on, the nature of the activities carried on there, or the numbers of persons of different descriptions who work or worked in the undertaking there; . . .

(b) . . .
(3) In the preceding subsection any reference to a Minister of the Crown, the Commission, [or the Executive] includes respectively a reference to an officer of his or of that body and also, in the case of a reference to the Commission, includes a reference to--

(a) a person performing any functions of the Commission or the Executive on its behalf by virtue of section 13(1)(a);

(b) an officer of a body which is so performing any such functions; and

(c) an adviser appointed in pursuance of section 13(1)(d).

(4) A person to whom information is disclosed in pursuance of subsection (2) above shall not use the information for a purpose other than a purpose of the Commission or, as the case may be, of the Executive.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Sub-s (2): words omitted repealed by the Employment Act 1989, ss 29(3), (4), Sch 6, para 10, Sch 7, Part I.

Sub-s (3): words in square brackets substituted by the Employment Act 1989, ss 29(3), Sch 6, para 10.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further

Sub-s (1): see further the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, reg 23(1), (2)(d), (3), (5).

[27A Information communicated by Commissioners for Revenue and Customs]

(1) If they think it appropriate to do so for the purpose of facilitating the exercise or performance by any person to whom subsection (2) below applies of any of that person's powers or duties under any of the relevant statutory provisions, [the Commissioners for Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs] may authorise the disclosure to that person of any information obtained [or held] for the purposes of the exercise [by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs] of their functions in relation to imports.

(2) This subsection applies to an enforcing authority and to an inspector.

(3) A disclosure of information made to any person under subsection (1) above shall be made in such manner as may be directed by [the Commissioners for Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs] and may be made through such persons acting on behalf of that person as may be so directed.

(4) Information may be disclosed to a person under subsection (1) above whether or not the disclosure of the information has been requested by or on behalf of that person.]

NOTES

Amendment

Section heading: substituted by the Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005, s 50(6), Sch 4, para 18(1), (4).


Inserted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3.
Sub-s (1): words "the Commissioners for Her Majesty's Revenue and Custom" in square brackets substituted by the Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005, s 50(6), Sch 4, para 18(1), (2)(a).


Sub-s (1): words "or held" in square brackets inserted by the Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005, s 50(6), Sch 4, para 18(1), (2)(b).


Sub-s (1): words "by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs" in square brackets substituted by the Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005, s 50(6), Sch 4, para 18(1), (2)(c).


Sub-s (3): words "the Commissioners for Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs" in square brackets substituted by the Commissioners for Revenue and Customs Act 2005, s 50(6), Sch 4, para 18(1), (3).


Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further
28 Restrictions on disclosure of information

(1) In this and the two following subsections--

(a) "relevant information" means information obtained by a person under section 27(1) or furnished to any person [under section 27A above[, by virtue of section 43A(6) below] or] in pursuance of a requirement imposed by any of the relevant statutory provisions; and

(b) "the recipient", in relation to any relevant information, means the person by whom that information was so obtained or to whom that information was so furnished, as the case may be.

(2) Subject to the following subsection, no relevant information shall be disclosed without the consent of the person by whom it was furnished.

(3) The preceding subsection shall not apply to--

(a) disclosure of information to the Commission, the Executive, [the Environment Agency, the Scottish Environment Protection Agency,] a government department or any enforcing authority;

(b) without prejudice to paragraph (a) above, disclosure by the recipient of information to any person for the purpose of any function conferred on the recipient by or under any of the relevant statutory provisions;

(c) without prejudice to paragraph (a) above, disclosure by the recipient of information to--

(i) an officer of a local authority who is authorised by that authority to receive it,

(ii) an officer . . . of a water undertaker, sewerage undertaker, water authority or water development board who is authorised by that . . . undertaker, authority or board to receive it,

(iii) . . .

(iv) a constable authorised by a chief officer of police to receive it;

(d) disclosure by the recipient of information in a form calculated to prevent it from being identified as relating to a particular person or case;

(e) disclosure of information for the purposes of any legal proceedings or any investigation or inquiry held by virtue of section 14(2), or for the
purposes of a report of any such proceedings or inquiry or of a special re-
port made by virtue of section 14(2);

(f) any other disclosure of information by the recipient, if--
(i) the recipient is, or is acting on behalf of a person who is, a
public authority for the purposes of the Freedom of Information Act 2000,
and
(ii) the information is not held by the authority on behalf of another
person].

(4) In the preceding subsection any reference to the Commission, the Ex-
ecutive, [the Environment Agency, the Scottish Environment Protection Agency,] a government department or an enforcing authority includes respectively a re-
ference to an officer of that body or authority (including, in the case of an
enforcing authority, any inspector appointed by it), and also, in the case of
a reference to the Commission, includes a reference to--

(a) a person performing any functions of the Commission or the Executive
on its behalf by virtue of section 13(1)(a);
(b) an officer of a body which is so performing any such functions; and
(c) an adviser appointed in pursuance of section 13(1)(d).

(5) A person to whom information is disclosed in pursuance of [any of
paragraphs (a) to (e) of] subsection (3) above shall not use the information
for a purpose other than--

(a) in a case falling within paragraph (a) of that subsection, a purpose
of the Commission or of the Executive or [of the Environment Agency or of
the Scottish Environment Protection Agency or] of the government department
in question, or the purposes of the enforcing authority in question in con-
nection with the relevant statutory provisions, as the case may be;
(b) in the case of information given to an officer of a [body which is a
local authority, . . . , a water undertaker, a sewerage undertaker, a water
authority, a river purification board or a water development board, the pur-
poses of the body] in connection with the relevant statutory provisions or
any enactment whatsoever relating to public health, public safety or the
protection of the environment;
(c) in the case of information given to a constable, the purposes of the
police in connection with the relevant statutory provisions or any enactment
whatsoever relating to public health, public safety or the safety of the
State.

[[6] References in subsections (3) and (5) above to a local authority in-
clude . . . a joint authority established by Part IV of the Local Government
Act 1985 [and the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority].]

(7) A person shall not disclose any information obtained by him as a re-
sult of the exercise of any power conferred by section 14(4)(a) or 20 (includ-
ing, in particular, any information with respect to any trade secret obtained
by him in any premises entered by him by virtue of any such power) except--

(a) for the purposes of his functions; or
(b) for the purposes of any legal proceedings or any investigation or
inquiry held by virtue of section 14(2) or for the purposes of a report of
any such proceedings or inquiry or of a special report made by virtue of
section 14(2); or
(c) with the relevant consent.
In this subsection "the relevant consent" means, in the case of information furnished in pursuance of a requirement imposed under section 20, the consent of the person who furnished it, and, in any other case, the consent of a person having responsibilities in relation to the premises where the information was obtained.

(8) Notwithstanding anything in the preceding subsection an inspector shall, in circumstances in which it is necessary to do so for the purpose of assisting in keeping persons (or the representatives of persons) employed at any premises adequately informed about matters affecting their health, safety and welfare, give to such persons or their representatives the following descriptions of information, that is to say--

(a) factual information obtained by him as mentioned in that subsection which relates to those premises or anything which was or is therein or was or is being done therein; and

(b) information with respect to any action which he has taken or proposes to take in or in connection with those premises in the performance of his functions;

and, where an inspector does as aforesaid, he shall give the like information to the employer of the first-mentioned persons.

[(9) Notwithstanding anything in subsection (7) above, a person who has obtained such information as is referred to in that subsection may furnish to a person who appears to him to be likely to be a party to any civil proceedings arising out of any accident, occurrence, situation or other matter, a written statement of relevant facts observed by him in the course of exercising any of the powers referred to in that subsection.]

[(9A) Subsection (7) above does not apply if--

(a) the person who has obtained any such information as is referred to in that subsection is, or is acting on behalf of a person who is, a public authority for the purposes of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, and

(b) the information is not held by the authority on behalf of another person.]

[(10) The Broads Authority and every National Park authority shall be deemed to be local authorities for the purposes of this section.]

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Sub-s (1): in para (a) words in square brackets beginning with the words "under section 27A above" inserted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3.

Sub-s (1): in para (a) words ", by virtue of section 43A(6) below" in square brackets inserted by the Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003, s 105(2).

Sub-s (3): para (c)(ii) substituted, in relation to Scotland, by the Environment Act 1994, s 120, Sch 22, para 30(6)(c) and by the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1994, s 180(1), Sch 13, para 93.

Sub-s (3): para (c)(ii) amended, in relation to Scotland, by SI 2004/1822, art 2, Schedule, Pt 1, para 8(a).

Sub-s (3): in para (c) words omitted repealed by the Environment Act 1995, s 120, Sch 22, para 30(6)(b), Sch 24.

Sub-s (3): para (c)(iii) repealed by the Environment Act 1995, s 120, Sch 22, para 30(6)(d), Sch 24.

Sub-s (3): para (f) inserted by SI 2004/3363, art 5(1), (2).

Sub-s (4): words in square brackets inserted by the Environment Act 1995, s 120, Sch 22, para 30(6)(e).

Sub-s (5): words "any of paragraphs (a) to (e) of" in square brackets inserted by SI 2004/3363, art 5(1), (2).

Sub-s (5): in para (a) words "of the Environment Agency or of the Scottish Environment Protection Agency or" in square brackets inserted, by the Environment Act 1995, s 120, Sch 22, para 30(6)(f)(i).

Sub-s (5): para (b) amended, in relation to Scotland, by the Environment Act 1995, s 120, Sch 22, para 30(6)(f)(iii) and by the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1994, s 180(1), Sch 13, para 93.

Sub-s (5): para (b) amended, in relation to Scotland, by SI 2004/1822, art 2, Schedule, Pt 1, para 8(b).

Sub-s (5): in para (b) words from "body which is" to "of the body" in square brackets substituted, in relation to England and Wales, by the Water Act 1989, s 190, Sch 25, para 46.

Sub-s (5): in para (b) words (omitted) repealed by the Environment Act 1995, s 120, Sch 22, para 30(6)(f)(ii), Sch 24.

Sub-s (6): substituted by the Local Government Act 1985, s 84, Sch 14, para 52, with effect in accordance with s 84(3) thereof.

Sub-s (6): words omitted repealed by the Education Reform Act 1988, s 237, Sch 13, Pt I.

Sub-s (7): words "and the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority" in square brackets inserted by the Greater London Authority Act 1999, s 328, Sch 29, Pt I, para 23.

Sub-s (9): inserted by the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15, para 9.

Sub-s (10): inserted by the Norfolk and Suffolk Broads Act 1988, s 21, Sch 6, para 13; substituted by the Environment Act 1995, s 78, Sch 10, para 12.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further

See further, in relation to the definition of "relevant information": the Notification of New Substances Regulations 1993, SI 1993/3050, reg 18.
See further, for provision whereby the body corporate known as the Residuary Body for Wales is to be treated as a local authority for the purposes of this section: the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994, Sch 13, para 20(e).
See further, in relation to the extension of disclosure powers under sub-s (7) above: the Anti-terrorism, Crime and Security Act 2001, s 17, Sch 4, Pt 1, para 12.
See further the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, reg 23(1), (2)(e), (3).
See further, the disapplication of sub-s (2), (7) above, in relation to the disclosure of information by the Health and Safety Executive to another responder made in connection with the performance of a duty by that responder or a function of the Health and Safety Executive or that responder which relates to emergencies: the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 (Contingency Planning) Regulations 2005, SI 2005/2042, reg 54.
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Amendment

Repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 10, Sch 18.

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Amendment

Repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 10, Sch 18.
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Amendment

Repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 10, Sch 18.

33 Offences

(1) It is an offence for a person—

(a) to fail to discharge a duty to which he is subject by virtue of sections 2 to 7;

(b) to contravene section 8 or 9;

(c) to contravene any health and safety regulations . . . or any requirement or prohibition imposed under any such regulations (including any requirement or prohibition to which he is subject by virtue of the terms of or any condition or restriction attached to any licence, approval, exemption or other authority issued, given or granted under the regulations);

(d) to contravene any requirement imposed by or under regulations under section 14 or intentionally to obstruct any person in the exercise of his powers under that section;

(e) to contravene any requirement imposed by an inspector under section 20 or 25;

(f) to prevent or attempt to prevent any other person from appearing before an inspector or from answering any question to which an inspector may by virtue of section 20(2) require an answer;

(g) to contravene any requirement or prohibition imposed by an improvement notice or a prohibition notice (including any such notice as modified on appeal);

(h) intentionally to obstruct an inspector in the exercise or performance of his powers or duties [or to obstruct a customs officer in the exercise of his powers under section 25A];

(i) to contravene any requirement imposed by a notice under section 27(1);

(j) to use or disclose any information in contravention of section 27(4) or 28;

(k) to make a statement which he knows to be false or recklessly to make a statement which is false where the statement is made—

(i) in purported compliance with a requirement to furnish any information imposed by or under any of the relevant statutory provisions; or
for the purpose of obtaining the issue of a document under any of the relevant statutory provisions to himself or another person;

(1) intentionally to make a false entry in any register, book, notice or other document required by or under any of the relevant statutory provisions to be kept, served or given or, with intent to deceive, to make use of any such entry which he knows to be false;

(m) with intent to deceive, to . . . use a document issued or authorised to be issued under any of the relevant statutory provisions or required for any purpose thereunder or to make or have in his possession a document so closely resembling any such document as to be calculated to deceive;

(n) falsely to pretend to be an inspector;

(o) to fail to comply with an order made by a court under section 42.

[(1A) Subject to any provision made by virtue of section 15(6)(d), a person guilty of an offence under subsection (1)(a) above consisting of failing to discharge a duty to which he is subject by virtue of sections 2 to 6 shall be liable--

(a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding £ 20,000;

(b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine.]

(2) A person guilty of an offence under paragraph (d), (f), (h) or (n) of subsection (1) above, or of an offence under paragraph (e) of that subsection consisting of contravening a requirement imposed by an inspector under section 20, shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding [level 5 on the standard scale].

[(2A) A person guilty of an offence under subsection (1)(g) or (o) above shall be liable--

(a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or a fine not exceeding £ 20,000, or both;

(b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or a fine, or both.]

(3) Subject to any provision made by virtue of section 15(6)(d) [or (e)] or by virtue of paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 3, a person guilty of [an offence under subsection (1) above not falling within subsection (1A), (2) or (2A) above], or of an offence under any of the existing statutory provisions, being an offence for which no other penalty is specified, shall be liable--

(a) on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding [the prescribed sum];

(b) on conviction on indictment--

(i) if the offence is one to which this sub-paragraph applies, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or a fine, or both;

(ii) if the offence is not one to which the preceding sub-paragraph applies, to a fine.

(4) Subsection (3)(b)(i) above applies to the following offences--

(a) an offence consisting of contravening any of the relevant statutory provisions by doing otherwise than under the authority of a licence issued by the Executive . . . something for the doing of which such a licence is necessary under the relevant statutory provisions;
(b) an offence consisting of contravening a term of or a condition or restriction attached to any such licence as is mentioned in the preceding paragraph;

(c) an offence consisting of acquiring or attempting to acquire, possessing or using an explosive article or substance (within the meaning of any of the relevant statutory provisions) in contravention of any of the relevant statutory provisions;

(d) . . .

(e) an offence under subsection (1)(j) above.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Sub-s (1)(a), (b): Appointment: 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

Sub-ss (1)(c)-(o), (2), (3)-(6): Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Sub-s (2): maximum fine increased by the Criminal Law Act 1977, s 31, Sch 6, and converted to a level on the standard scale by the Criminal Justice Act 1982, ss 37, 46.

Sub-s (3): first words in square brackets inserted and second words in square brackets substituted by the Offshore Safety Act 1992, s 4(4), (6); final words in square brackets substituted by virtue of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s 32(2).

Sub-s (4): in para (a) words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 11, Sch 18; para (d) repealed by the Offshore Safety Act 1992, ss 4(5), (6), 7(2), Sch 2.


Sub-s (1): in para (c) words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 11, Sch 18; in para (h) words in square brackets inserted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3; in para (m) words omitted repealed by the Forgery and Counterfeiting Act 1981, s 30, Schedule, Part I.

Sub-ss (1A), (2A): inserted by the Offshore Safety Act 1992, s 4(2), (3), (6).

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further

Sub-s (1)(e), (f), (h)-(o): see further the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, regs 23(1), (2)(f), (3), 27(5), (10), 28(3)(b), (4).


34 Extension of time for bringing summary proceedings

(1) Where--

(a) a special report on any matter to which section 14 of this Act applies is made by virtue of subsection (2)(a) of that section; or

(b) a report is made by the person holding an inquiry into any such matter by virtue of subsection (2)(b) of that section; or

(c) a coroner's inquest is held touching the death of any person whose death may have been caused by an accident which happened while he was at work or by a disease which he contracted or probably contracted at work or by any accident, act or omission which occurred in connection with the work of any person whatsoever; or

(d) a public inquiry into any death that may have been so caused is held under the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Act 1895 or the Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths Inquiry (Scotland) Act 1906;

and it appears from the report or, in a case falling within paragraph (c) or (d) above, from the proceedings at the inquest or inquiry, that any of the relevant statutory provisions was contravened at a time which is material in relation to the subject-matter of the report, inquest or inquiry, summary proceedings against any person liable to be proceeded against in respect of the contravention may be commenced at any time within three months of the making of the report or, in a case falling within paragraph (c) or (d) above, within three months of the conclusion of the inquest or inquiry.

(2) Where an offence under any of the relevant statutory provisions is committed by reason of a failure to do something at or within a time fixed by or under any of those provisions, the offence shall be deemed to continue until that thing is done.

(3) Summary proceedings for an offence to which this subsection applies may be commenced at any time within six months from the date on which there comes to the knowledge of a responsible enforcing authority evidence sufficient in the opinion of that authority to justify a prosecution for that offence; and for the purposes of this subsection--

(a) a certificate of an enforcing authority stating that such evidence came to its knowledge on a specified date shall be conclusive evidence of that fact; and

(b) a document purporting to be such a certificate and to be signed by or on behalf of the enforcing authority in question shall be presumed to be such a certificate unless the contrary is proved.
(4) The preceding subsection applies to any offence under any of the relevant statutory provisions which a person commits by virtue of any provision or requirement to which he is subject as the designer, manufacturer, importer or supplier of any thing; and in that subsection "responsible enforcing authority" means an enforcing authority within whose field of responsibility the offence in question lies, whether by virtue of section 35 or otherwise.

(5) In the application of subsection (3) above to Scotland--

(a) for the words from "there comes" to "that offence" there shall be substituted the words "evidence, sufficient in the opinion of the enforcing authority to justify a report to the Lord Advocate with a view to consideration of the question of prosecution, comes to the knowledge of the authority";

(b) at the end of paragraph (b) there shall be added the words "and"

(c) [section 331(3) of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1975] (date of commencement of proceedings) shall have effect as it has effect for the purposes of that section."

[(6) In the application of subsection (4) above to Scotland, after the words "applies to" there shall be inserted the words "any offence under section 33(1)(c) above where the health and safety regulations concerned were made for the general purpose mentioned in section 18(1) of the Gas Act 1986 and".]
35 Venue

An offence under any of the relevant statutory provisions committed in connection with any plant or substance may, if necessary for the purpose of bringing the offence within the field of responsibility of any enforcing authority or conferring jurisdiction on any court to entertain proceedings for the offence, be treated as having been committed at the place where that plant or substance is for the time being.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further

See further the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, reg 23(1), (2)(g), (3).

36 Offences due to fault of other person

(1) Where the commission by any person of an offence under any of the relevant statutory provisions is due to the act or default of some other person, that other person shall be guilty of the offence, and a person may be charged with and convicted of the offence by virtue of this subsection whether or not proceedings are taken against the first-mentioned person.

(2) Where there would be or have been the commission of an offence under section 33 by the Crown but for the circumstance that that section does not bind the Crown, and that fact is due to the act or default of a person other than the Crown, that person shall be guilty of the offence which, but for that circumstance, the Crown would be committing or would have committed, and may be charged with and convicted of that offence accordingly.

(3) The preceding provisions of this section are subject to any provision made by virtue of section 15(6).

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further

See further the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, reg 23(1), (2)(h), (3).
(1) Where an offence under any of the relevant statutory provisions com-
mited by a body corporate is proved to have been committed with the consent
or connivance of, or to have been attributable to any neglect on the part of,
any director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body corpo-
rate or a person who was purporting to act in any such capacity, he as well as
the body corporate shall be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be
proceeded against and punished accordingly.

(2) Where the affairs of a body corporate are managed by its members, the
preceding subsection shall apply in relation to the acts and defaults of a
member in connection with his functions of management as if he were a director
of the body corporate.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed
To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for
use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI

See Further

See further the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, reg 23(1),
(2)(i), (3).
See further, in relation to the application of this section, with modifica-
tions, for the purpose of the enforcement of Regulation (EC) No 304/2003 of
the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2003 concerning the
export and import of dangerous chemicals: the Export and Import of Dangerous
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Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Words in square brackets inserted by the Environment Act 1995, s 120, Sch 22, para 30(7).

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further

See further the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, reg 23(1), (2)(j), (3), (6).


39 Prosecutions by inspectors

(1) An inspector, if authorised in that behalf by the enforcing authority which appointed him, may, although not of counsel or a solicitor, prosecute before a magistrates’ court proceedings for an offence under any of the relevant statutory provisions.

(2) This section shall not apply to Scotland.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).
Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further


40 Onus of proving limits of what is practicable etc

In any proceedings for an offence under any of the relevant statutory provisions consisting of a failure to comply with a duty or requirement to do something so far as is practicable or so far as is reasonably practicable, or to use the best means to do something, it shall be for the accused to prove (as the case may be) that it was not practicable or not reasonably practicable to do more than was in fact done to satisfy the duty or requirement, or that there was no better practicable means than was in fact used to satisfy the duty or requirement.

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Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

See Further

41 Evidence

(1) Where an entry is required by any of the relevant statutory provisions to be made in any register or other record, the entry, if made, shall, as against the person by or on whose behalf it was made, be admissible as evidence or in Scotland sufficient evidence of the facts stated therein.

(2) Where an entry which is so required to be so made with respect to the observance of any of the relevant statutory provisions has not been made, that fact shall be admissible as evidence or in Scotland sufficient evidence that that provision has not been observed.

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Initial Commencement

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further

42 Power of court to order cause of offence to be remedied or, in certain cases, forfeiture

(1) Where a person is convicted of an offence under any of the relevant statutory provisions in respect of any matters which appear to the court to be matters which it is in his power to remedy, the court may, in addition to or instead of imposing any punishment, order him, within such time as may be fixed by the order, to take such steps as may be specified in the order for remedying the said matters.

(2) The time fixed by an order under subsection (1) above may be extended or further extended by order of the court on an application made before the end of that time as originally fixed or as extended under this subsection, as the case may be.

(3) Where a person is ordered under subsection (1) above to remedy any matters, that person shall not be liable under any of the relevant statutory provisions in respect of those matters in so far as they continue during the time fixed by the order or any further time allowed under subsection (2) above.

(4) Subject to the following subsection, the court by or before which a person is convicted of an offence such as is mentioned in section 33(4)(c) in respect of any such explosive article or substance as is there mentioned may order the article or substance in question to be forfeited and either destroyed or dealt with in such other manner as the court may order.

(5) The court shall not order anything to be forfeited under the preceding subsection where a person claiming to be the owner of or otherwise interested in it applies to be heard by the court, unless an opportunity has been given to him to show cause why the order should not be made.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Modification

Modified, in relation to relevant machinery or a relevant safety component for use at work, by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/3073, reg 28, Sch 6, para 1.

See Further

See further the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, reg 23(1), (2)(k), (3).

Financial provisions

43 Financial provisions

(1) It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to pay to the Commission such sums as are approved by the Treasury and as he considers appropriate for the purpose of enabling the Commission to perform its functions; and it shall be the duty of the Commission to pay to the Executive such sums as the Commission considers appropriate for the purpose of enabling the Executive to perform its functions.

(2) Regulations may provide for such fees as may be fixed by or determined under the regulations to be payable for or in connection with the performance by or on behalf of any authority to which this subsection applies of any function conferred on that authority by or under any of the relevant statutory provisions.

(3) Subsection (2) above applies to the following authorities, namely the Commission, the Executive, the Secretary of State, . . . every enforcing authority, and any other person on whom any function is conferred by or under any of the relevant statutory provisions.

(4) Regulations under this section may specify the person by whom any fee payable under the regulations is to be paid; but no such fee shall be made payable by a person in any of the following capacities, namely an employee, a person seeking employment, a person training for employment, and a person seeking training for employment.

(5) Without prejudice to section 82 (3), regulations under this section may fix or provide for the determination of different fees in relation to different functions, or in relation to the same function in different circumstances.

[(6) The power to make regulations under this section shall be exercisable by the Secretary of State. . . .]

(8) In subsection (4) above the references to a person training for employment and a person seeking training for employment shall include respectively a person attending an industrial rehabilitation course provided by virtue of the Employment and Training Act 1973 and a person seeking to attend such a course.

(9) For the purposes of this section the performance by an inspector of his functions shall be treated as the performance by the enforcing authority which appointed him of functions conferred on that authority by or under any of the relevant statutory provisions.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed
To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment (in so far as it relates to payments to the Commission): 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.
Appointment (for remaining purposes): 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Sub-s (3): words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 12, Sch 18.
Sub-s (6): substituted, for sub-ss (6), (7) as originally enacted, by the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15, para 12.
Sub-s (6): words omitted repealed by SI 2002/794, art 5(2), Sch 2.


Subordinate Legislation

Compressed Acetylene (Importation) Regulations 1978, SI 1978/1723 (made under sub-s (2)).
Classification and Labelling of Explosives Regulations 1983, SI 1983/1140 (made under sub-ss (2), (4)).
Asbestos (Licensing) Regulations 1983, SI 1983/1649 (made under sub-ss (2), (5)).
Freight Containers (Safety Convention) Regulations 1984, SI 1984/1890 (made under sub-ss (2), (4)).
Ionising Radiations Regulations 1985, SI 1985/1333 (made under sub-ss (2), (4)-(6)).
Dangerous Substances in Harbour Areas Regulations 1987, SI 1987/37 (made under sub-ss (2), (4)-(6), (9)).
Health and Safety (Explosives and Petroleum Fees) (Modification) Regulations 1987, SI 1987/52 (made under sub-ss (2), (4)-(6), (9)).
Pipelines Safety Regulations 1996, SI 1996/825 (made under sub-ss (2), (6)).
Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2089 (made under sub-ss (2)-(6)).
Carriage of Dangerous Goods (Classification, Packaging and Labelling) and Use of Transportable Pressure Receptacles Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2092 (made under sub-ss (2)-(6)).
Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (Driver Training) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2094 (made under sub-ss (2)-(6)).
Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2095 (made under sub-ss (2)-(6)).
Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 1999, SI 1999/743 (made under sub-s (2)).
Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999, SI 1999/3232 (made under sub-ss (2), (4)-(6)).
Health and Safety (Fees) Regulations 2000, SI 2000/2482 (made under sub-ss (2), (4)-(6)).
Railways (Safety Case) Regulations 2000, SI 2000/2688 (made under sub-s (2)).
Genetically Modified Organisms (Contained Use) Regulations 2000, SI 2000/2831 (made under sub-ss (2), (4)-(6)).
Biocidal Products Regulations 2001, SI 2001/880 (made under sub-ss (2), (4)-(6)).
Railway Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2001, SI 2001/3291 (made under sub-s (2)).
Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment Regulations 2004, SI 2004/568 (made under sub-ss (2)-(6)).

[43A Railway safety levy]

[(1) The Secretary of State may make regulations requiring persons who provide railway services to pay railway safety levy.]

(2) Railway safety levy shall be applied only for the purpose of meeting expenses incurred--

[(a) in respect of activities undertaken by the Office of Rail Regulation under or by virtue of this Act or Schedule 3 to the Railways Act 2005; or

(b) in respect of activities in relation to a transport system falling within paragraph 1(3) of that Schedule that are undertaken by that Office under or by virtue of any other enactment].

(3) The railway safety levy shall not be used to meet--

(a) an expense in respect of which a fee is payable under regulations made under section 43, or

(b) an expense in respect of a matter specified by the regulations for the purpose of this paragraph.

(4) Where an expense is incurred partly in respect of activity within subsection (2)(a) or (b) and partly in respect of other activity, the railway safety levy may be used to meet a part of that expense which is reasonably referable to activity within subsection (2)(a) or (b).

(5) Regulations under subsection (1) may, in particular, determine or enable the [Office of Rail Regulation] to determine--

(a) the total amount of the railway safety levy to be imposed in respect of a specified period;

(b) the persons by whom the levy is to be paid;

(c) the criteria for assessing the proportion of the levy to be paid by a particular person (which may, in particular, refer to the size of a person’s income or provide for an amount to be reduced or waived in specified circumstances);

(d) the periods in respect of which the levy is to be paid;
(e) the manner in which the levy is to be paid;
(f) the person to whom the levy is to be paid;
(g) when the levy is to be paid.

(6) Regulations under subsection (1) may, in particular, enable the [Office of Rail Regulation]--

(a) to require a person who provides railway services to supply information for the purposes of the consideration of a matter specified in subsection (5);
(b) where information requested is not supplied, to make assumptions;
(c) to revise a determination of a matter specified in subsection (5) (whether before, during or after the period to which it relates);
(d) to make refunds.

(7) Regulations by virtue of subsection (6)(a) may, in particular, make provision--

(a) about the manner and timing of the supply of information;
(b) about certification of the accuracy of information supplied;
(c) creating a criminal offence in connection with the supply of inaccurate or misleading information (but not an offence punishable with imprisonment).

(8) Regulations under subsection (1) may enable payment to be enforced by civil proceeding.

(9) For the purposes of this section a person provides railway services if he manages or controls, or participates in managing or controlling, a transport system [falling within paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 3 to the Railways Act 2005].

NOTES

Amendment

Inserted by the Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003, s 105(1).

Date in force: 10 September 2003: see the Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003, s 120(6).

Sub-s (2): paras (a), (b) substituted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, para 12(1), (2).

Date in force: 7 February 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(1)(b).

Sub-s (5): words "Office of Rail Regulation" in square brackets substituted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, para 12(1), (3).

Date in force: 7 February 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(1)(b).

Sub-s (6): words "Office of Rail Regulation" in square brackets substituted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, para 12(1), (3).

Date in force: 7 February 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(1)(b).
Sub-s (9): words "falling within paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 3 to the Railways Act 2005" in square brackets substituted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, para 12(1), (4).

Date in force: 7 February 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(1)(b).

Subordinate Legislation

Railway Safety Levy Regulations 2006, SI 2006/1010 (made under sub-ss (1), (5)-(8)).


Miscellaneous and supplementary

44 Appeals in connection with licensing provisions in the relevant statutory provisions

(1) Any person who is aggrieved by a decision of an authority having power to issue licences (other than . . . nuclear site licences) under any of the relevant statutory provisions--

(a) refusing to issue him a licence, to renew a licence held by him, or to transfer to him a licence held by another;

(b) issuing him a licence on or subject to any term, condition or restriction whereby he is aggrieved;

(c) varying or refusing to vary any term, condition or restriction on or subject to which a licence is held by him; or

(d) revoking a licence held by him,

may appeal to the Secretary of State.

(2) The Secretary of State may, in such cases as he considers it appropriate to do so, having regard to the nature of the questions which appear to him to arise, direct that an appeal under this section shall be determined on his behalf by a person appointed by him for that purpose.

(3) Before the determination of an appeal the Secretary of State shall ask the appellant and the authority against whose decision the appeal is brought whether they wish to appear and be heard on the appeal and--

(a) the appeal may be determined without a hearing of the parties if both of them express a wish not to appear and be heard as aforesaid;

(b) the Secretary of State shall, if either of the parties expresses a wish to appear and be heard, afford to both of them an opportunity of so doing.

(4) The Tribunals and Inquiries Act [1992] shall apply to a hearing held by a person appointed in pursuance of subsection (2) above to determine an appeal as it applies to a statutory inquiry held by the Secretary of State, but
as if in [section 10(1)] of that Act (statement of reasons for decisions) the reference to any decision taken by the Secretary of State included a reference to a decision taken on his behalf by that person.

(5) A person who determines an appeal under this section on behalf of the Secretary of State and the Secretary of State, if he determines such an appeal, may give such directions as he considers appropriate to give effect to his determination.

(6) The Secretary of State may pay to any person appointed to hear or determine an appeal under this section on his behalf such remuneration and allowances as the Secretary of State may with the approval of the Minister for the Civil Service determine.

(7) In this section--

(a) "licence" means a licence under any of the relevant statutory provisions other than [a nuclear site licence];

(b) "nuclear site licence" means a licence to use a site for the purpose of installing or operating a nuclear installation within the meaning of the following subsection.

(8) For the purposes of the preceding subsection "nuclear installation" means--

(a) a nuclear reactor (other than such a reactor comprised in a means of transport, whether by land, water or air); or

(b) any other installation of such class or description as may be prescribed for the purposes of this paragraph or section 1(1)(b) of the Nuclear Installations Act 1965, being an installation designed or adapted for--

(i) the production or use of atomic energy; or

(ii) the carrying out of any process which is preparatory or ancillary to the production or use of atomic energy and which involves or is capable of causing the emission of ionising radiations; or

(iii) the storage, processing or disposal of nuclear fuel or of bulk quantities of other radioactive matter, being matter which has been produced or irradiated in the course of the production or use of nuclear fuel;

and in this subsection--

"atomic energy" has the meaning assigned by the Atomic Energy Act 1946;

"nuclear reactor" means any plant (including any machinery, equipment or appliance whether affixed to land or not) designed or adapted for the production of atomic energy by a fission process in which a controlled chain reaction can be maintained without an additional source of neutrons.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.
Amendment

Sub-s (1): words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125 (3), Sch 15, para 13, Sch 18.
Sub-s (4): words in square brackets substituted by the Tribunals and Inquiries Act 1992, s 18(1), Sch 3, para 9.
Sub-s (7): words in square brackets substituted by the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15, para 13.

See Further

See further, in relation to the application of this section in so far as it relates to appeals to the Secretary of State against a decision of a licensing authority to refuse or revoke registration under the Manufacture and Storage of Explosives Regulations 2005: the Manufacture and Storage of Explosives Regulations 2005, SI 2005/1082, reg 19.

Transfer of Functions

Functions of the Minister for the Civil Service transferred to the Treasury by virtue of the Transfer of Functions (Minister for the Civil Service and Treasury) Order 1981, SI 1981/1670.

45 Default powers

(1) Where, in the case of a local authority who are an enforcing authority, the Commission is of the opinion that an investigation should be made as to whether that local authority have failed to perform any of their enforcement functions, the Commission may make a report to the Secretary of State.

(2) The Secretary of State may, after considering a report submitted to him under the preceding subsection, cause a local inquiry to be held; and the provisions of subsections (2) to (5) of section 250 of the Local Government Act 1972 as to local inquiries shall, without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) of that section, apply to a local inquiry so held as they apply to a local inquiry held in pursuance of that section.

(3) If the Secretary of State is satisfied, after having caused a local inquiry to be held into the matter, that a local authority have failed to perform any of their enforcement functions, he may make an order declaring the authority to be in default.

(4) An order made by virtue of the preceding subsection which declares an authority to be in default may, for the purpose of remedying the default, direct the authority (hereafter in this section referred to as "the defaulting authority") to perform such of their enforcement functions as are specified in the order in such manner as may be so specified and may specify the time or times within which those functions are to be performed by the authority.

(5) If the defaulting authority fail to comply with any direction contained in such an order the Secretary of State may, instead of enforcing the
order by mandamus, make an order transferring to the Executive such of the enforce-
ment functions of the defaulting authority as he thinks fit.

(6) Where any enforcement functions of the defaulting authority are trans-
ferred in pursuance of the preceding subsection, the amount of any expenses which the Executive certifies were incurred by it in performing those func-
tions shall on demand be paid to it by the defaulting authority.

(7) Any expenses which in pursuance of the preceding subsection are re-
quired to be paid by the defaulting authority in respect of any enforcement functions transferred in pursuance of this section shall be defrayed by the authority in the like manner, and shall be debited to the like account, as if the enforcement functions had not been transferred and the expenses had been incurred by the authority in performing them.

(8) Where the defaulting authority are required to defray any such ex-
penses the authority shall have the like powers for the purpose of raising the money for defraying those expenses as they would have had for the purpose of raising money required for defraying expenses incurred for the purpose of the enforcement functions in question.

(9) An order transferring any enforcement functions of the defaulting au-
thority in pursuance of subsection (5) above may provide for the transfer to the Executive of such of the rights, liabilities and obligations of the au-
thority as the Secretary of State considers appropriate; and where such an or-
der is revoked the Secretary of State may, by the revoking order or a subse-
quent order, make such provision as he considers appropriate with respect to any rights, liabilities and obligations held by the Executive for the purposes of the transferred enforcement functions.

(10) The Secretary of State may by order vary or revoke any order previ-
ously made by him in pursuance of this section.

(11) In this section "enforcement functions", in relation to a local au-
thority, means the functions of the authority as an enforcing authority.

(12) In the application of this section to Scotland--

(a) in subsection (2) for the words " subsections (2) to (5) of section 250 of the Local Government Act 1972" there shall be substituted the words " subsections (2) to (8) of section 210 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973", except that before 16th May 1975 for the said words there shall be substituted the words " subsections (2) to (9) of section 355 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1947";

(b) in subsection (5) the words "instead of enforcing the order by man-
damus" shall be omitted.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.
46 Service of notices

(1) Any notice required or authorised by any of the relevant statutory provisions to be served on or given to an inspector may be served or given by delivering it to him or by leaving it at, or sending it by post to, his office.

(2) Any such notice required or authorised to be served on or given to a person other than an inspector may be served or given by delivering it to him, or by leaving it at his proper address, or by sending it by post to him at that address.

(3) Any such notice may--

(a) in the case of a body corporate, be served on or given to the secretary or clerk of that body;

(b) in the case of a partnership, be served on or given to a partner or a person having the control or management of the partnership business or, in Scotland, the firm.

(4) For the purposes of this section and of section 26 of the Interpretation Act 1889 (service of documents by post) in its application to this section, the proper address of any person on or to whom any such notice is to be served or given shall be his last known address, except that--

(a) in the case of a body corporate or their secretary or clerk, it shall be the address of the registered or principal office of that body;

(b) in the case of a partnership or a person having the control or the management of the partnership business, it shall be the principal office of the partnership;

and for the purposes of this subsection the principal office of a company registered outside the United Kingdom or of a partnership carrying on business outside the United Kingdom shall be their principal office within the United Kingdom.

(5) If the person to be served with or given any such notice has specified an address within the United Kingdom other than his proper address within the meaning of subsection (4) above as the one at which he or someone on his behalf will accept notices of the same description as that notice, that address shall also be treated for the purposes of this section and section 26 of the Interpretation Act 1889 as his proper address.

(6) Without prejudice to any other provision of this section, any such notice required or authorised to be served on or given to the owner or occupier of any premises (whether a body corporate or not) may be served or given by sending it by post to him at those premises, or by addressing it by name to the person on or to whom it is to be served or given and delivering it to some responsible person who is or appears to be resident or employed in the premises.

(7) If the name or the address of any owner or occupier of premises on or to whom any such notice as aforesaid is to be served or given cannot after reasonable inquiry be ascertained, the notice may be served or given by addressing it to the person on or to whom it is to be served or given by the de-
scription of "owner" or "occupier" of the premises (describing them) to which
the notice relates, and by delivering it to some responsible person who is or
appears to be resident or employed in the premises, or, if there is no such
person to whom it can be delivered, by affixing it or a copy of it to some
conspicuous part of the premises.

(8) The preceding provisions of this section shall apply to the sending or
giving of a document as they apply to the giving of a notice.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

See Further

See further the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, reg 23(1),
(2)(1), (3).

47 Civil liability

(1) Nothing in this Part shall be construed--

(a) as conferring a right of action in any civil proceedings in respect
of any failure to comply with any duty imposed by sections 2 to 7 or any
contravention of section 8; or

(b) as affecting the extent (if any) to which breach of a duty imposed
by any of the existing statutory provisions is actionable; or

(c) as affecting the operation of section 12 of the Nuclear Installa-
tions Act 1965 (right to compensation by virtue of certain provisions of
that Act).

(2) Breach of a duty imposed by health and safety regulations . . . shall,
so far as it causes damage, be actionable except in so far as the regulations
provide otherwise.

(3) No provision made by virtue of section 15(6)(b) shall afford a defence
in any civil proceedings, whether brought by virtue of subsection (2) above or
not; but as regards any duty imposed as mentioned in subsection (2) above
health and safety regulations . . . may provide for any defence specified in
the regulations to be available in any action for breach of that duty.
(4) Subsections (1)(a) and (2) above are without prejudice to any right of action which exists apart from the provisions of this Act, and subsection (3) above is without prejudice to any defence which may be available apart from the provisions of the regulations there mentioned.

(5) Any term of an agreement which purports to exclude or restrict the operation of subsection (2) above, or any liability arising by virtue of that subsection, shall be void, except in so far as health and safety regulations . . . provide otherwise.

(6) In this section "damage" includes the death of, or injury to, any person (including any disease and any impairment of a person's physical or mental condition).

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment (for certain purposes): 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.
Appointment (for remaining purposes): 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

Amendment

Sub-ss (2), (3), (5): words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 14, Sch 18.

Subordinate Legislation

Petroleum-Spirit (Plastic Containers) Regulations 1982, SI 1982/630 (made under sub-s (3)).
Classification and Labelling of Explosives Regulations 1983, SI 1983/1140 (made under sub-s (3)).
Railway Safety (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1997, SI 1997/553 (made under sub-s (2)).
Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, SI 1999/3242 (made under sub-s (2)).
Pressure Systems Safety Regulations 2000, SI 2000/128 (made under sub-s (3)).
Management of Health and Safety at Work and Fire Precautions (Workplace) (Amendment) Regulations 2003, SI 2003/2457 (made under sub-s (2)).
Management of Health and Safety at Work (Amendment) Regulations 2006, SI 2006/438 (made under sub-s (2)).
Railways and Other Guided Transport Systems (Safety) Regulations 2006, SI 2006/599 (made under sub-s (2)).
48 Application to Crown

(1) Subject to the provisions of this section, the provisions of this Part, except sections 21 to 25 and 33 to 42, and of regulations made under this Part shall bind the Crown.

(2) Although they do not bind the Crown, sections 33 to 42 shall apply to persons in the public service of the Crown as they apply to other persons.

(3) For the purposes of this Part and regulations made thereunder persons in the service of the Crown shall be treated as employees of the Crown whether or not they would be so treated apart from this subsection.

(4) Without prejudice to section 15(5), the Secretary of State may, to the extent that it appears to him requisite or expedient to do so in the interests of the safety of the State or the safe custody of persons lawfully detained, by order exempt the Crown either generally or in particular respects from all or any of the provisions of this Part which would, by virtue of subsection (1) above, bind the Crown.

(5) The power to make orders under this section shall be exercisable by statutory instrument, and any such order may be varied or revoked by a subsequent order.

(6) Nothing in this section shall authorise proceedings to be brought against Her Majesty in her private capacity, and this subsection shall be construed as if section 38(3) of the Crown Proceedings Act 1947 (interpretation of references in that Act to Her Majesty in her private capacity) were contained in this Act.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment (for certain purposes): 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.
 Appointment (for remaining purposes): 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

See Further

See further, in relation to the powers of the Secretary of State under sub-s (4): the Atomic Weapons Establishment Act 1991, Schedule, para 7(1).
49 Adaptation of enactments to metric units or appropriate metric units

(1) Regulations made under this subsection may amend--

(a) any of the relevant statutory provisions; or

(b) any provision of an enactment which relates to any matter relevant to any of the general purposes of this Part but is not among the relevant statutory provisions; or

(c) any provision of an instrument made or having effect under any such enactment as is mentioned in the preceding paragraph,

by substituting an amount or quantity expressed in metric units for an amount or quantity not so expressed or by substituting an amount or quantity expressed in metric units of a description specified in the regulations for an amount or quantity expressed in metric units of a different description.

(2) The amendments shall be such as to preserve the effect of the provisions mentioned except to such extent as in the opinion of the [authority making the regulations] is necessary to obtain amounts expressed in convenient and suitable terms.

(3) Regulations made . . . under this subsection may, in the case of a provision which falls within any of paragraphs (a) to (c) of subsection (1) above and contains words which refer to units other than metric units, repeal those words [if the authority making the regulations] is of the opinion that those words could be omitted without altering the effect of that provision.

[4(4) The power to make regulations under this section shall be exercisable by the Secretary of State. . ..]
Health and Safety (First-Aid) Regulations 1981, SI 1981/917 (made under sub-ss (1), (4)).
Locomotives etc Regulations 1906 (Metrication) Regulations 1981, SI 1981/1327 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)).
Health and Safety (Foundries etc) (Metrication) Regulations 1981, SI 1981/1332 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)).
Agriculture (Metrication) Regulations 1981, SI 1981/1414 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)).
Pottery (Health etc) (Metrication) Regulations 1982, SI 1982/877 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)).
Miscellaneous Mines (Metrication) Regulations 1983, SI 1983/994 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)).
Explosives Act 1875 etc. (Metrication and Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1984, SI 1984/510 (made under sub-ss (1), (2), (4)).

50 Regulations under the relevant statutory provisions

[(1) Where any power to make regulations under any of the relevant statutory provisions is exercisable by the Secretary of State, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food or both of them acting jointly that power may be exercised either so as to give effect (with or without modifications) to proposals submitted by the Commission under section 11(2)(d) or independently of any such proposals; but the authority who is to exercise the power shall not exercise it independently of proposals from the Commission unless he has consulted the Commission and such other bodies as appear to him to be appropriate.]

[(1A) Subsection (1) does not apply to the exercise of a power to make regulations so far as it is exercised--

(a) for giving effect (with or without modifications) to proposals submitted by the Office of Rail Regulation under paragraph 2(5) of Schedule 3 to the Railways Act 2005; or

(b) otherwise for or in connection with the railway safety purposes.]
(a) any government department or other body that appears to the Commis-
sion to be appropriate (and, in particular, in the case of proposals for the
making of regulations under section 18(2), any body representing local au-
thorities that so appears, and, in the case of proposals for the making of
regulations relating to electro-magnetic radiations, [the Health Protection
Agency]);

(b) such government departments and other bodies, if any, as, in rela-
tion to any matter dealt with in the proposals, the Commission is required
to consult under this subsection by virtue of directions given to it by the
Secretary of State.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

Amendment

Sub-s (1): substituted by the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15,
para 16.
Sub-s (1A): inserted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, para 13.

Date in force: 1 April 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(2), Schedule.

Sub-s (2): words from "authority who is" to "excercise that power" in square
brackets substituted by the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15,
para 16(2).
Sub-s (3): words "under section 11(2)(d)" in square brackets substituted by
the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15, para 16(3).
Sub-s (3): in para (a) words "the Health Protection Agency" in square brackets
substituted by the Health Protection Agency Act 2004, s 11(1), Sch 3, para
5(1), (3).

Date in force: 1 April 2005: see SI 2005/121, art 2(2).

Sub-ss (4), (5): repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116,
125(3), Sch 15, para 16, Sch 18.

Subordinate Legislation

Agriculture (Safety, Health and Welfare Provisions) Act 1956 (Repeals and
Pressure Systems Safety Regulations 2000, SI 2000/128 (made under sub-s (3)).
Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, SI 2003/403 (made under sub-s
(1)).
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51 Exclusion of application to domestic employment

Nothing in this Part shall apply in relation to a person by reason only that he employs another, or is himself employed, as a domestic servant in a private household.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

51A Application of Part to police

[(1) For the purposes of this Part, a person who, otherwise than under a contract of employment, holds the office of constable or an appointment as police cadet shall be treated as an employee of the relevant officer.

(2) In this section "the relevant officer"--

(a) in relation to a member of a police force or a special constable or police cadet appointed for a police area, means the chief officer of police,

(b) in relation to a member of a police force seconded to the Serious Organised Crime Agency to serve as a member of its staff, means that Agency, and

(c) in relation to any other person holding the office of constable or an appointment as police cadet, means the person who has the direction and control of the body of constables or cadets in question.

(2A) For the purposes of this Part the relevant officer, as defined by subsection (2)(a) or (c) above, shall be treated as a corporation sole.

(2B) Where, in a case in which the relevant officer, as so defined, is guilty of an offence by virtue of this section, it is proved--
(a) that the officer-holder personally consented to the commission of
the offence,
(b) that he personally connived in its commission, or
(c) that the commission of the offence was attributable to personal ne-
glect on his part,

the office-holder (as well as the corporation sole) shall be guilty of the of-
fence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

(2C) In subsection (2B) above "the office-holder", in relation to the
relevant officer, means an individual who, at the time of the consent, conniv-
ance or neglect--

(a) held the office or other position mentioned in subsection (2) above
as the office or position of that officer; or
(b) was for the time being responsible for exercising and performing the
powers and duties of that office or position.

(2D) The provisions mentioned in subsection (2E) below (which impose the
same liability for unlawful conduct of constables on persons having their di-
rection or control as would arise if the constables were employees of those
persons) do not apply to any liability by virtue of this Part.

(2E) Those provisions are--

(a) section 39 of the Police (Scotland) Act 1967;
(b) section 88(1) of the Police Act 1996;
(c) section 97(9) of that Act;
(d) paragraph 7(1) of Schedule 8 to the Police Act 1997;
(e) paragraph 14(1) of Schedule 3 to the Criminal Justice and Police Act
2001;

(2F) In the application of this section to Scotland--

(a) subsection (2A) shall have effect as if for the words "corporation
sole" there were substituted "distinct juristic person (that is to say, as a
juristic person distinct from the individual who for the time being is the
office-holder)"
(b) subsection (2B) shall have effect as if for the words "corporation
sole" there were substituted "juristic person";
(c) subsection (2C) shall have effect as if for the words "subsection
(2B)" there were substituted "subsections (2A) and (2B)".

(3) For the purposes of regulations under section 2(4) above--

(a) the Police Federation for England and Wales shall be treated as a
recognised trade union recognised by each chief officer of police [police
authority] in England and Wales,
(b) the Police Federation for Scotland shall be treated as a recognised
trade union recognised by each chief officer of police [police authority] in
Scotland, and
(c) any body recognised by the Secretary of State for the purposes of
section 64 of the Police Act 1996 shall be treated as a recognised trade un-
ion recognised by each chief officer of police [police authority] in Eng-
land, Wales and Scotland.
(4) Regulations under section 2(4) above may provide, in relation to persons falling within subsection (2)(b) or (c) [[(c) or (d).]] above, that a body specified in the regulations is to be treated as a recognised trade union recognised by such person as may be specified.]

NOTES

Amendment

Inserted by the Police (Health and Safety) Act 1997, s 1.


Sub-s (2): para (b) substituted by the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005, s 59, Sch 4, para 20.

Date in force: 1 April 2006: see SI 2006/378, art 4(1), Schedule, para 10.

Sub-ss (2A)-(2F): inserted by the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005, s 158(1).


Sub-s (3): words "chief officer of police" in italics in each place they occur repealed and subsequent words in square brackets substituted by the Police Reform Act 2002, s 95(5).

Date in force: to be appointed: see the Police Reform Act 2002, s 108(2).

Sub-s (4): words "or (c)" in italics repealed and subsequent words in square brackets substituted by the Police Reform Act 2002, s 95(6).

Date in force: to be appointed: see the Police Reform Act 2002, s 108(2).

Subordinate Legislation

Police (Health and Safety) Regulations 1999, SI 1999/860 (made under sub-s (4)).
(b) an employee is at work throughout the time when he is in the course of his employment, but not otherwise;

[(bb) a person holding the office of constable is at work throughout the time when he is on duty, but not otherwise; and]

(c) a self-employed person is at work throughout such time as he devotes to work as a self-employed person;

and, subject to the following subsection, the expressions "work" and "at work", in whatever context, shall be construed accordingly.

(2) Regulations made under this subsection may--

(a) extend the meaning of "work" and "at work" for the purposes of this Part; and

(b) in that connection provide for any of the relevant statutory provisions to have effect subject to such adaptations as may be specified in the regulations.

[(3) The power to make regulations under subsection (2) above shall be exercisable by the Secretary of State. . . .]

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

Amendment

Sub-s (1): para (bb) substituted, for word "and" as originally enacted, by the Police (Health and Safety) Act 1997, s 2.


Sub-s (3): substituted, for sub-ss (3), (4) as originally enacted, by the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15, para 17.

Sub-s (3): words omitted repealed by SI 2002/794, art 5(2), Sch 2.


Modification

Modification: definitions of "work" and "at work" extended by the Offshore Installations and Pipelines Works (First-Aid) Regulations 1989, SI 1989/1671, reg 4, and by the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 1999, SI 1999/437, reg 19.

Subordinate Legislation

Ionising Radiations Regulations 1985, SI 1985/1333 (made under sub-ss (2), (3)).

Offshore Installations and Pipeline Works (First-Aid) Regulations 1989, SI 1989/1671 (made under sub-ss (2), (3)).
Health and Safety (Training for Employment) Regulations 1990, SI 1990/1380
(made under sub-ss (2), (3)).
Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 1995, SI
1995/3163 (made under sub-s (2)).
Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999, SI 1999/3232 (made under sub-ss (2),
(3)).
Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, SI 1999/3242 (made
under sub-ss (2), (3)).
Genetically Modified Organisms (Contained Use) Regulations 2000, SI 2000/2831
(made under sub-ss (2), (3)).
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2677 (made
under sub-ss (2), (3)).
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (Amendment) Regulations 2004, SI
2004/3386 (made under sub-ss (2), (3)).

53 General interpretation of Part I

(1) In this Part, unless the context otherwise requires--

"article for use at work" means--

(a) any plant designed for use or operation (whether exclusively or not) by persons at work, and

(b) any article designed for use as a component in any such plant;

["article of fairground equipment" means any fairground equipment or any ar-
ticle designed for use as a component in any such equipment.]
"code of practice" (without prejudice to section 16(8)) includes a standard,
a specification and any other documentary form of practical guidance;
"the Commission" has the meaning assigned by section 10(2);
"conditional sale agreement" means an agreement for the sale of goods under
which the purchase price or part of it is payable by instalments, and the
property in the goods is to remain in the seller (notwithstanding that the
buyer is to be in possession of the goods) until such conditions as to the
payment of instalments or otherwise as may be specified in the agreement are
fulfilled;
"contract of employment" means a contract of employment or apprenticeship
(whether express or implied and, if express, whether oral or in writing);
"credit-sale agreement" means an agreement for the sale of goods, under
which the purchase price or part of it is payable by instalments, but which
is not a conditional sale agreement;
["customs officer" means an officer within the meaning of the Customs and
Excise Management Act 1979;]
"domestic premises" means premises occupied as a private dwelling (including
any garden, yard, garage, outhouse or other appurtenance of such premises
which is not used in common by the occupants of more than one such dwell-
ing), and "non-domestic premises" shall be construed accordingly;
"employee" means an individual who works under a contract of employment [or
is treated by section 51A as being an employee], and related expressions
shall be construed accordingly;
"enforcing authority" has the meaning assigned by section 18(7);
"the Executive" has the meaning assigned by section 10(5);
"the existing statutory provisions" means the following provisions while and
to the extent that they remain in force, namely the provisions of the Acts
mentioned in Schedule 1 which are specified in the third column of that
Schedule and of the regulations, orders or other instruments of a legisla-
tive character made or having effect under any provision so specified;
.
."fairground equipment" means any fairground ride, any similar plant which
is designed to be in motion for entertainment purposes with members of the
public on or inside it or any plant which is designed to be used by members
of the public for entertainment purposes either as a slide or for bouncing
upon, and in this definition the reference to plant which is designed to be in
motion with members of the public on or inside it includes a reference to
swings, dodgems and other plant which is designed to be in motion wholly or
partly under the control of, or to be put in motion by, a member of the pub-
lic;
"the general purposes of this Part" has the meaning assigned by section 1;
"health and safety regulations" has the meaning assigned by section 15(1);
"hire-purchase agreement" means an agreement other than a conditional sale
agreement, under which--
(a) goods are bailed or (in Scotland) hired in return for periodical
payments by the person to whom they are bailed or hired; and
(b) the property in the goods will pass to that person if the terms of the
agreement are complied with and one or more of the following occurs:
(i) the exercise of an option to purchase by that person;
(ii) the doing of any other specified act by any party to the agree-
ment;
(iii) the happening of any other event;
and "hire-purchase" shall be construed accordingly;
"improvement notice" means a notice under section 21;
"inspector" means an inspector appointed under section 19;
.
"local authority" means--
(a) in relation to England . . ., a county council, . . ., a district
council, a London borough council, the Common Council of the City of Lon-
don, the Sub-Treasurer of the Inner Temple or the Under-Treasurer of the
Middle Temple,
[(aa) in relation to Wales, a county council or a county borough coun-
cil,]
(b) in relation to Scotland, a [council constituted under section 2 of
the Local Government etc (Scotland) Act 1994];
"micro-organism" includes any microscopic biological entity which is capable of replication;

"offshore installation" means any installation which is intended for underwater exploitation of mineral resources or exploration with a view to such exploitation;

"personal injury" includes any disease and any impairment of a person's physical or mental condition;

"plant" includes any machinery, equipment or appliance;

"premises" includes any place and, in particular, includes--

(a) any vehicle, vessel, aircraft or hovercraft,
(b) any installation on land (including the foreshore and other land intermittently covered by water), any offshore installation, and any other installation (whether floating, or resting on the seabed or the subsoil thereof, or resting on other land covered with water or the subsoil thereof), and
(c) any tent or movable structure;

"prescribed" means prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State;

"prohibition notice" means a notice under section 22;

"railway safety purposes" has the same meaning as in Schedule 3 to the Railways Act 2005;

... "the relevant statutory provisions" means--

(a) the provisions of this Part and of any health and safety regulations . . .; and
(b) the existing statutory provisions;

"self-employed person" means an individual who works for gain or reward otherwise than under a contract of employment, whether or not he himself employs others;

"substance" means any natural or artificial substance [(including microorganisms)], whether in solid or liquid form or in the form of a gas or vapour;

... "supply", where the reference is to supplying articles or substances, means supplying them by way of sale, lease, hire or hire-purchase, whether as principal or agent for another.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment
Appointment (for certain purposes): 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.
Appointment (for certain purposes): 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.
Appointment (for remaining purposes): 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

Amendment

Sub-s (1): first definition omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15, para 18.
Sub-s (1): definition "article of fairground equipment" inserted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3.
Sub-s (1): definition "customs officer" inserted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3.
Sub-s (1): in definition "employee" words "or is treated by section 51A as being an employee" in square brackets inserted by the Police (Health and Safety) Act 1997, s 6(1).


Sub-s (1): second definition omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15, para 18.
Sub-s (1): definition "fairground equipment" inserted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3.
Sub-s (1): third definition omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act, s 116, Sch 15, para 18.
Sub-s (1): in definition "local authority" in para (a) first words omitted repealed by the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994, s 66(8), Sch 18.
Sub-s (1): in definition "local authority" in para (a) second words omitted repealed by the Local Government Act 1985, s 102, Sch 17.
Sub-s (1): in definition "local authority" para (aa) inserted by the Local Government (Wales) Act 1994, s 22(3), Sch 9, para 9.
Sub-s (1): in definition "local authority" para (b) amended by the Local Government etc (Scotland) Act 1994, s 180(1), Sch 13, para 93(3).
Sub-s (1): definition "micro-organism" inserted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3.
Sub-s (1): definition "railway safety purposes" inserted by the Railways Act 2005, s 2, Sch 3, para 15(3).

Date in force: 1 April 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(2), Schedule.

Sub-s (1): fourth definition omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15, para 18.
Sub-s (1): in definition "the relevant statutory provisions" in para (a) words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act, s 116, Sch 15, para 18.
Sub-s (1): in definition "substance" words "(including micro-organisms)" in square brackets inserted by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3.
Sub-s (1): final definition omitted repealed by the Consumer Protection Act 1987, s 36, Sch 3.
Sub-s (2)-(6): repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 18, Sch 18.
54 Application of Part I to Isles of Scilly

This Part, in its application to the Isles of Scilly, shall apply as if those Isles were a local government area and the Council of those Isles were a local authority.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

55 Functions of, and responsibility for maintaining, employment medical advisory service

(1) There shall continue to be an employment medical advisory service, which shall be maintained for the following purposes, that is to say--

(a) securing that the Secretary of State, the Health and Safety Commission . . . and others concerned with the health of employed persons or of persons seeking or training for employment can be kept informed of, and adequately advised on, matters of which they ought respectively to take cognisance concerning the safeguarding and improvement of the health of those persons;

(b) giving to employed persons and persons seeking or training for employment information and advice on health in relation to employment and training for employment;

(c) other purposes of the Secretary of State's functions relating to employment.
(2) The authority responsible for maintaining the said service shall be the Secretary of State; but if arrangements are made by the Secretary of State for that responsibility to be discharged on his behalf by the Health and Safety Commission or some other body, then, while those arrangements operate, the body so discharging that responsibility (and not the Secretary of State) shall be the authority responsible for maintaining that service.

(3) The authority for the time being responsible for maintaining the said service may also for the purposes mentioned in subsection (1) above, and for the purpose of assisting employment medical advisers in the performance of their functions, investigate or assist in, arrange for or make payments in respect of the investigation of problems arising in connection with any such matters as are so mentioned or otherwise in connection with the functions of employment medical advisers, and for the purpose of investigating or assisting in the investigation of such problems may provide and maintain such laboratories and other services as appear to the authority to be requisite.

(4) Any arrangements made by the Secretary of State in pursuance of subsection (2) above may be terminated by him at any time, but without prejudice to the making of other arrangements at any time in pursuance of that subsection (including arrangements which are to operate from the time when any previous arrangements so made cease to operate).

(5) Without prejudice to sections 11(4)(a) and 12(b), it shall be the duty of the Health and Safety Commission, if so directed by the Secretary of State, to enter into arrangements with him for the Commission to be responsible for maintaining the said service.

(6) In subsection (1) above--

(a) the reference to persons training for employment shall include persons attending industrial rehabilitation courses provided by virtue of the Employment and Training Act 1973; and

(b) the reference to persons (other than the Secretary of State and the [Health and Safety Commission]) concerned with the health of employed persons or of persons seeking or training for employment shall be taken to include organisations representing employers, employees and occupational health practitioners respectively.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Sub-s (1): words omitted repealed by the Employment Act 1989, s 29(3), (4), Sch 6, para 11, Sch 7, Part I.

Sub-s (6): words in square brackets substituted by the Employment Act 1989, s 29(3), Sch 6, para 11.
56 Functions of authority responsible for maintaining the service

(1) The authority for the time being responsible for maintaining the employment medical advisory service shall for the purpose of discharging that responsibility appoint persons to be employment medical advisers, and may for that purpose appoint such other officers and servants as it may determine, subject however to the requisite approval as to numbers, that is to say—

(a) where that authority is the Secretary of State, the approval of the Minister for the Civil Service;

(b) otherwise, the approval of the Secretary of State given with the consent of that Minister.

(2) A person shall not be qualified to be appointed, or to be, an employment medical adviser unless he is a fully registered medical practitioner.

(3) The authority for the time being responsible for maintaining the said service may determine the cases and circumstances in which the employment medical advisers or any of them are to perform the duties or exercise the powers conferred on employment medical advisers by or under this Act or otherwise [who holds a licence to practise].

(4) Where as a result of arrangements made in pursuance of section 55(2) the authority responsible for maintaining the said service changes, the change shall not invalidate any appointment previously made under subsection (1) above, and any such appointment subsisting when the change occurs shall thereafter have effect as if made by the new authority.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Amendment

Sub-s (3): words "who holds a licence to practise" in square brackets inserted by SI 2002/3135, art 16(1), Sch 1, Pt I, para 7(1).

Date in force: this amendment shall come into force on the date notified in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes: see SI 2002/3135, art 1(2), (3).

Transfer of Functions

Functions of the Minister for the Civil Service transferred to the Treasury by virtue of the Transfer of Functions (Minister for the Civil Service and Treasury) Order 1981, SI 1981/1670.
57 Fees

(1) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide for such fees as may be fixed by or determined under the regulations to be payable for or in connection with the performance by the authority responsible for maintaining the employment medical advisory service of any function conferred for the purposes of that service on that authority by virtue of this Part or otherwise.

(2) For the purposes of this section, the performance by an employment medical adviser of his functions shall be treated as the performance by the authority responsible for maintaining the said service of functions conferred on that authority as mentioned in the preceding subsection.

(3) The provisions of subsections (4), (5) and (8) of section 43 shall apply in relation to regulations under this section with the modification that references to subsection (2) of that section shall be read as references to subsection (1) of this section.

(4) Where an authority other than the Secretary of State is responsible for maintaining the said service, the Secretary of State shall consult that authority before making any regulations under this section.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

58 Other financial provisions

(1) The authority for the time being responsible for maintaining the employment medical advisory service may pay--
(a) to employment medical advisers such salaries or such fees and travelling or other allowances; and

(b) to other persons called upon to give advice in connection with the execution of the authority’s functions under this Part such travelling or other allowances or compensation for loss of remunerative time; and

(c) to persons attending for medical examinations conducted by, or in accordance with arrangements made by, employment medical advisers (including pathological, physiological and radiological tests and similar investigations so conducted) such travelling or subsistence allowances or such compensation for loss of earnings,

as the authority may, with the requisite approval, determine.

(2) For the purposes of the preceding subsection the requisite approval is--

(a) where the said authority is the Secretary of State, the approval of the Minister for the Civil Service;

(b) otherwise, the approval of the Secretary of State given with the consent of that Minister.

(3) Where an authority other than the Secretary of State is responsible for maintaining the said service, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to pay to that authority such sums as are approved by the Treasury and as he considers appropriate for the purpose of enabling the authority to discharge that responsibility.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.

Transfer of Functions

Functions of the Minister for the Civil Service transferred to the Treasury by virtue of the Transfer of Functions (Minister for the Civil Service and Treasury) Order 1981, SI 1981/1670.
(1) It shall be the duty of the authority for the time being responsible for maintaining the employment medical advisory service--

(a) to keep, in relation to the maintenance of that service, proper accounts and proper records in relation to the accounts;

(b) to prepare in respect of each accounting year a statement of accounts relating to the maintenance of that service in such form as the Secretary of State may direct with the approval of the Treasury; and

(c) to send copies of the statement to the Secretary of State and the Comptroller and Auditor General before the end of the month of November next following the accounting year to which the statement relates.

(2) The Comptroller and Auditor General shall examine, certify and report on each statement received by him in pursuance of subsection (1) above and shall lay copies of each statement and of his report before each House of Parliament.

(3) It shall also be the duty of the authority responsible for maintaining the employment medical advisory service to make to the Secretary of State, as soon as possible after the end of each accounting year, a report on the discharge of its responsibilities in relation to that service during that year; and the Secretary of State shall lay before each House of Parliament a copy of each report made to him in pursuance of this subsection.

(4) Where as a result of arrangements made in pursuance of section 55(2) the authority responsible for maintaining the employment medical advisory service changes, the change shall not affect any duty imposed by this section on the body which was responsible for maintaining that service before the change.

(5) No duty imposed on the authority for the time being responsible for maintaining the employment medical advisory service by subsection (1) or (3) above shall fall on the Commission (which is subject to corresponding duties under Schedule 2) or on the Secretary of State.

(6) In this section "accounting year" means, except so far as the Secretary of State otherwise directs, the period of twelve months ending with 31st March in any year.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.
(1) It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to secure that each
[Primary Care Trust and] [Health Authority arranges for] a fully registered
medical practitioner [who holds a licence to practise] to furnish, on the ap-
plication of an employment medical adviser, such particulars of the school
medical record of a person who has not attained the age of eighteen and such
other information relating to his medical history as the adviser may reasona-
bly require for the efficient performance of his functions; but no particulars
or information about any person which may be furnished to an adviser in pursu-
ance of this subsection shall (without the consent of that person) be dis-
closed by the adviser otherwise than for the efficient performance of his
functions.

(2) In its application to Scotland the preceding subsection shall have ef-
fect with the substitution of the words "every Health Board arrange for one of
their" for the words from "each" to "its".

(3) . . .

(4) References to the chief employment medical adviser or a deputy chief
employment medical adviser in any provision of an enactment or instrument made
under an enactment shall be read as references to a person appointed for the
purposes of that provision by the authority responsible for maintaining the
employment medical advisory service.

(5) The following provisions of the Employment Medical Advisory Service
Act 1972 (which are superseded by the preceding provisions of this Part or
rendered unnecessary by provisions contained in Part I), namely sections 1 and
6 and Schedule 1, shall cease to have effect; but--

(a) in so far as anything done under or by virtue of the said section 1
or Schedule 1 could have been done under or by virtue of a corresponding
provision of Part I or this Part, it shall not be invalidated by the repeal
of that section and Schedule by this Act but shall have effect as if done
under or by virtue of that corresponding provision; and

(b) any order made under the said section 6 which is in force immedi-
ately before the repeal of that section by this Act shall remain in force
notwithstanding that repeal, but may be revoked or varied by regulations un-
der section 43(2) or 57, as if it were an instrument containing regulations
made under section 43(2) or 57 as the case may require.

(6) Where any Act (whether passed before, or in the same Session as, this
Act) or any document refers, either expressly or by implication, to or to any
enactment contained in any of the provisions of the said Act of 1972 which are
mentioned in the preceding subsection, the reference shall, except where the
context otherwise requires, be construed as, or as including, a reference to
the corresponding provision of this Act.

(7) Nothing in subsection (5) or (6) above shall be taken as prejudicing
the operation of section 38 of the Interpretation Act 1889 (which relates to
the effect of repeals).

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 January 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(b), Sch 2.
Amendment

Sub-s (1): words "Primary Care Trust and" in square brackets inserted by the National Health Service Reform and Health Care Professions Act 2002, s 2(5), Sch 2, Pt 2, para 41.

Date in force: 1 October 2002: see SI 2002/2478, art 3(1)(d).

Sub-s (1): words "Health Authority arranges for" in square brackets substituted by the Health Authorities Act 1995, s 2(1), Sch 1, para 99.
Sub-s (1): words "who holds a licence to practise" in square brackets inserted by SI 2002/3135, art 16(1), Sch 1, Pt I, para 7(2).

Date in force: this amendment shall come into force on the date notified in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes: see SI 2002/3135, art 1(2), (3).

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Date in force: 1 May 2005: see SSI 2004/404, art 2(1).
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Repealed by the Building Act 1984, s 133(2), Sch 7.

Amendment of Fire Precautions Act 1971
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Amendment
Repealed by the Health Protection Agency Act 2004, s 11(2), Sch 4.
Date in force: 1 April 2005: see SI 2005/121, art 2(2).

Amendment of Fire Precautions Act 1971
(1)-(9) ...
Schedule 8 (transitional provisions with respect to fire certificates under the Factories Act 1961 or the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963) shall have effect.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

Amendment


Date in force: 1 October 2006: see SI 2005/1541, art 1(3) (as amended by SI 2006/484, art 2).

Sub-ss (1), (2), (5)-(7), (9): amend the Fire Precautions Act 1971, ss 1(2), 2, 12(1), 17, 18, 43(1).


Sub-s (4): repealed by the Fire Safety and Safety of Places of Sport Act 1987, s 49(1), Sch 4.

Sub-s (7): repealed in part by the Railways Act 2005, s 59(6), Sch 13, Pt 1.

Date in force: 1 April 2006: see SI 2006/266, art 2(2), Schedule.

Sub-s (8): amends the Fire Precautions Act 1971, s 40; repealed in part by the Health Authorities Act 1995, s 5(1), Sch 3.
80 General power to repeal or modify Acts and instruments

(1) Regulations made under this subsection may repeal or modify any provision to which this subsection applies if it appears to the authority making the regulations that the repeal or, as the case may be, the modification of that provision is expedient in consequence of or in connection with any provision made by or under Part I.

(2) Subsection (1) above applies to any provision, not being among the relevant statutory provisions, which--

(a) is contained in this Act or in any other Act passed before or in the same Session as this Act; or

(b) is contained in any regulations, order or other instrument of a legislative character which was made under an Act before the passing of this Act; or

(c) applies, excludes or for any other purpose refers to any of the relevant statutory provisions and is contained in any Act not falling within paragraph (a) above or in any regulations, order or other instrument of a legislative character which is made under an Act but does not fall within paragraph (b) above.

(2A) Subsection (1) above shall apply to provisions in [the Employment Rights Act 1996 or the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 which derive from provisions of the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978 which re-enacted] provisions previously contained in the Redundancy Payments Act 1965, the Contracts of Employment Act 1972 and the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974 as it applies to provisions contained in Acts passed before or in the same Session as this Act.

(3) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) above, the modifications which may be made by regulations thereunder include modifications relating to the enforcement of provisions to which this section applies (including the appointment of persons for the purpose of such enforcement, and the powers of persons so appointed).

(4) The power to make regulations under subsection (1) above shall be exercisable by the Secretary of State. . .; but the authority who is to exercise the power shall, before exercising it, consult such bodies as appear to him to be appropriate.

(5) In this section "the relevant statutory provisions" has the same meaning as in Part I.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment
Amendment

Sub-s (2A): inserted by the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978, s 159(2), Sch 16, para 17; words in square brackets substituted by the Employment Rights Act 1996, s 240, Sch 1, para 5.

Sub-ss (4), (5): substituted, for sub-ss (4)-(6) as originally enacted, by the Employment Protection Act 1975, s 116, Sch 15, para 19.

Sub-s (4): words omitted repealed by SI 2002/794, art 5(2), Sch 2.


Subordinate Legislation

Explosive Acts 1875 and 1923 etc (Repeals and Modifications) Regulations 1974, SI 1974/1885 (made under sub-s (1)).

Fire Certificates (Special Premises) Regulations 1976, SI 1976/2003 (made under sub-ss (1), (4)).

Safety Representatives and Safety Committees Regulations 1977, SI 1977/500 (made under sub-ss (1), (4)).

Dangerous Substances in Harbour Areas Regulations 1987, SI 1987/37 (made under sub-ss (1), (4)).

Fire Precautions Act 1971 (Modifications) (Revocation) Regulations 1989, SI 1989/79 (made under sub-ss (1), (4)).

Dangerous Substances (Notification and Marking of Sites) Regulations 1990, SI 1990/304 (made under sub-ss (1), (4)).

Nuclear Installations Act 1965 (Repeal and Modifications) Regulations 1990, SI 1990/1918 (made under sub-ss (1), (4)).

Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992, SI 1992/2793 (made under sub-ss (1), (2)(a), (4)).

Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999, SI 1999/3232 (made under sub-s (1)).

Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, SI 1999/3242 (made under sub-s (1)).

Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2776 (made under sub-s (1)).


Manufacture and Storage of Explosives Regulations 2005, SI 2005/1082 (made under sub-s (1)).


81 Expenses and receipts

There shall be paid out of money provided by Parliament--

(a) any expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown or government department for the purposes of this Act; and
any increase attributable to the provisions of this Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money so provided;

and any sums received by a Minister of the Crown or government department by virtue of this Act shall be paid into the Consolidated Fund.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

82 General provisions as to interpretation and regulations

(1) In this Act--
   (a) "Act" includes a provisional order confirmed by an Act;
   (b) "contravention" includes failure to comply, and "contravene" has a corresponding meaning;
   (c) "modifications" includes additions, omissions and amendments, and related expressions shall be construed accordingly;
   (d) any reference to a Part, section or Schedule not otherwise identified is a reference to that Part or section of, or Schedule to, this Act.

(2) Except in so far as the context otherwise requires, any reference in this Act to an enactment is a reference to it as amended, and includes a reference to it as applied, by or under any other enactment, including this Act.

(3) Any power conferred by Part I or II or this Part to make regulations--
   (a) includes power to make different provision by the regulations for different circumstances or cases and to include in the regulations such incidental, supplemental and transitional provisions as the authority making the regulations considers appropriate in connection with the regulations; and
   (b) shall be exercisable by statutory instrument, which [(unless subsection (4) applies)] shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.
[(4) The first regulations under section 43A(1) shall not be made unless a draft has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.]

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

Amendment

Sub-s (3): in para (b) words "(unless subsection (4) applies)" in square brackets inserted by the Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003, s 105(3)(a).

Date in force: 10 September 2003: see the Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003, s 120(6).


Date in force: 10 September 2003: see the Railways and Transport Safety Act 2003, s 120(6).

NOTES

Amendment

Repealed by the Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1993, s 1, Sch 1, Pt XVI.
84 Extent, and application of Act

(1) This Act, except--
   (a) Part I and this Part so far as may be necessary to enable regulations under section 15 . . . to be made and operate for the purpose mentioned in paragraph 2 of Schedule 3; and
   (b) paragraph . . . 3 of Schedule 9,

does not extend to Northern Ireland.

(2) Part III, except section 75 and Schedule 7, does not extend to Scotland.

(3) Her Majesty may by Order in Council provide that the provisions of Parts I and II and this Part shall, to such extent and for such purposes as may be specified in the Order, apply (with or without modification) to or in relation to persons, premises, work, articles, substances and other matters (of whatever kind) outside Great Britain as those provisions apply within Great Britain or within a part of Great Britain so specified.

For the purposes of this subsection "premises", "work" and "substance" have the same meaning as they have for the purposes of Part I.

(4) An Order in Council under subsection (3) above--
   (a) may make different provision for different circumstances or cases;
   (b) may (notwithstanding that this may affect individuals or bodies corporate outside the United Kingdom) provide for any of the provisions mentioned in that subsection, as applied by such an Order, to apply to individuals whether or not they are British subjects and to bodies corporate whether or not they are incorporated under the law of any part of the United Kingdom;
   (c) may make provision for conferring jurisdiction on any court or class of courts specified in the Order with respect to offences under Part I committed outside Great Britain or with respect to causes of action arising by virtue of section 47 (2) in respect of acts or omissions taking place outside Great Britain, and for the determination, in accordance with the law in force in such part of Great Britain as may be specified in the Order, of questions arising out of such acts or omissions;
   (d) may exclude from the operation of section 3 of the Territorial Waters Jurisdiction Act 1878 (consents required for prosecutions) proceedings for offences under any provision of Part I committed outside Great Britain;
   (e) may be varied or revoked by a subsequent Order in Council under this section;

and any such Order shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

(5) . . .

(6) Any jurisdiction conferred on any court under this section shall be without prejudice to any jurisdiction exercisable apart from this section by that or any other court.

NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed
To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

Amendment

Sub-s (1): in para (a) words omitted repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 20, Sch 18; in para (b) words omitted repealed by the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975, s 10(2), Sch 3.
Sub-s (5): repealed by the Offshore Safety Act 1992, ss 3(1), 7(2), Sch 2.

Subordinate Legislation

Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 (Application outside Great Britain) Order 2001, SI 2001/2127 (made under sub-ss (3), (4)).
Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 (Commencement No 2) Order 1975, SI 1975/344 (made under sub-s (2)).
Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 (Commencement No 3) Order 1975, SI 1975/1364 (made under sub-s (2)).
Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 (Commencement No 4) Order 1977, SI 1977/294 (made under sub-s (2), (3)).
Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 (Commencement No 5) Order 1980, SI 1980/208 (made under sub-s (2)).
Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 (Commencement No 6) Order 1980, SI 1980/269 (made under sub-s (2)).

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**SCHEDULE 1**

**EXISTING ENACTMENTS WHICH ARE RELEVANT STATUTORY PROVISIONS**

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The whole Act.

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NOTES

Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

Amendment

Table: in entry relating to "The Explosives Act 1875", in third column words "30 to 32, 80 and" in italics repealed by the Fireworks Act 2003, s 15, Schedule.

Date in force: to be appointed: see the Fireworks Act 2003, s 18(1).

Table: entry relating to "The Anthrax Prevention Act 1919" (omitted) repealed by SI 2005/228, reg 2(2).

Date in force: 6 April 2005: see SI 2005/228, reg 1.

1 Subject to paragraphs 2 to 4 below, a person shall hold and vacate office as a member or as chairman or deputy chairman in accordance with the terms of the instrument appointing him to that office.

2 A person may at any time resign his office as a member or as chairman or deputy chairman by giving the Secretary of State a notice in writing signed by that person and stating that he resigns that office.

3 (1) If a member becomes or ceases to be the chairman or deputy chairman, the Secretary of State may vary the terms of the instrument appointing him to be a member so as to alter the date on which he is to vacate office as a member.

(2) If the chairman or deputy chairman ceases to be a member he shall cease to be chairman or deputy chairman, as the case may be.

4 (1) If the Secretary of State is satisfied that a member--

(a) has been absent from meetings of the Commission for a period longer than six consecutive months without the permission of the Commission; or

(b) has become bankrupt or made an arrangement with his creditors; or

(c) is incapacitated by physical or mental illness; or
(d) is otherwise unable or unfit to discharge the functions of a member,

the Secretary of State may declare his office as a member to be vacant and
shall notify the declaration in such manner as the Secretary of State thinks
fit; and thereupon the office shall become vacant.

(2) In the application of the preceding sub-paragraph to Scotland for the
references in paragraph (b) to a member's having become bankrupt and to a mem-
ber's having made an arrangement with his creditors there shall be substituted
respectively references to sequestration of a member's estate having been
awarded and to a member's having made a trust deed for behoof of his creditors
or a composition contract.

**Remuneration etc of members**

5

The Commission may pay to each member such remuneration and allowances as the
Secretary of State may determine.

6

The Commission may pay or make provision for paying, to or in respect of any
member, such sums by way of pension, superannuation allowances and gratuities
as the Secretary of State may determine.

7

Where a person ceases to be a member otherwise than on the expiry of his term
of office and it appears to the Secretary of State that there are special cir-
cumstances which make it right for him to receive compensation, the Commission
may make to him a payment of such amount as the Secretary of State may deter-
mine.

**Proceedings**

8

The quorum of the Commission and the arrangements relating to meetings of the
Commission shall be such as the Commission may determine.

9

The validity of any proceedings of the Commission shall not be affected by any
vacancy among the members or by any defect in the appointment of a member.

**Staff**

10

It shall be the duty of the Executive to provide for the Commission such offi-
cers and servants as are requisite for the proper discharge of the Commis-
sion's functions; and any reference in this Act to an officer or servant of
the Commission is a reference to an officer or servant provided for the Com-
mission in pursuance of this paragraph.
The Executive may appoint such officers and servants as it may determine with the consent of the Secretary of State as to numbers and terms and conditions of service.

12
The Commission shall pay to the Minister for the Civil Service, at such times in each accounting year as may be determined by that Minister subject to any directions of the Treasury, sums of such amounts as he may so determine for the purposes of this paragraph as being equivalent to the increase during that year of such liabilities of his as are attributable to the provision of pensions, allowances or gratuities to or in respect of persons who are or have been in the service of the Executive in so far as that increase results from the service of those persons during that accounting year and to the expense to be incurred in administering those pensions, allowances or gratuities.

Performance of functions

13
The Commission may authorise any member of the Commission or any officer or servant of the Commission or of the Executive to perform on behalf of the Commission such of the Commission's functions (including the function conferred on the Commission by this paragraph) as are specified in the authorisation.

Accounts and reports

14
(1) It shall be the duty of the Commission--
    (a) to keep proper accounts and proper records in relation to the accounts;
    (b) to prepare in respect of each accounting year a statement of accounts in such form as the Secretary of State may direct with the approval of the Treasury; and
    (c) to send copies of the statement to the Secretary of State and the Comptroller and Auditor General before the end of the month of November next following the accounting year to which the statement relates.

(2) The Comptroller and Auditor General shall examine, certify and report on each statement received by him in pursuance of this Schedule and shall lay copies of each statement and of his report before each House of Parliament.

15
It shall be the duty of the Commission to make to the Secretary of State, as soon as possible after the end of each accounting year, a report on the performance of its functions during that year; and the Secretary of State shall lay before each House of Parliament a copy of each report made to him in pursuance of this paragraph.

Supplemental

16
The Secretary of State shall not make a determination or give his consent in pursuance of paragraph 5, 6, 7 or 11 of this Schedule except with the approval of the Minister for the Civil Service.
17

The fixing of the common seal of the Commission shall be authenticated by the signature of the secretary of the Commission or some other person authorised by the Commission to act for that purpose.

18

A document purporting to be duly executed under the seal of the Commission shall be received in evidence and shall, unless the contrary is proved, be deemed to be so executed.

19

In the preceding provisions of this Schedule--

(a) "accounting year" means the period of twelve months ending with 31st March in any year except that the first accounting year of the Commission shall, if the Secretary of State so directs, be such period shorter or longer than twelve months (but not longer than two years) as is specified in the direction; and

(b) "the chairman", "a deputy chairman" and "a member" mean respectively the chairman, a deputy chairman and a member of the Commission.

20

(1) The preceding provisions of this Schedule (except paragraphs 10 to 12 and 15) shall have effect in relation to the Executive as if--

(a) for any reference to the Commission there were substituted a reference to the Executive;

(b) for any reference to the Secretary of State in paragraphs 2 to 4 and 19 and the first such reference in paragraph 7 there were substituted a reference to the Commission;

(c) for any reference to the Secretary of State in paragraphs 5 to 7 (except the first such reference in paragraph 7) there were substituted a reference to the Commission acting with the consent of the Secretary of State;

(d) for any reference to the chairman there were substituted a reference to the director and any reference to the deputy chairman were omitted;

(e) in paragraph 14(1)(c) for the words from "Secretary" to "following" there were substituted the words "Commission by such date as the Commission may direct after the end of".

(2) It shall be the duty of the Commission to include in or send with the copies of the statement sent by it as required by paragraph 14(1)(c) of this Schedule copies of the statement sent to it by the Executive in pursuance of the said paragraph 14(1)(c) as adapted by the preceding sub-paragraph.

(3) The terms of an instrument appointing a person to be a member of the Executive shall be such as the Commission may determine with the approval of the Secretary of State and the Minister for the Civil Service.

NOTES

Initial Commencement
To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment


Transfer of Functions

Functions of the Minister for the Civil Service transferred to the Treasury by virtue of the Transfer of Functions (Minister for the Civil Service and Treasury) Order 1981, SI 1981/1670, functions of the Treasury under para 16 above transferred back to the Minister for the Civil Service, by the Transfer of Functions (Treasury and Minister for the Civil Service) Order 1995, SI 1995/269, art 3, Schedule.

SCHEDULE 3

SUBJECT MATTER OF HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS

Section 15

1

(1) Regulating or prohibiting--

(a) the manufacture, supply or use of any plant;
(b) the manufacture, supply, keeping or use of any substance;
(c) the carrying on of any process or the carrying out of any operation.

(2) Imposing requirements with respect to the design, construction, guarding, siting, installation, commissioning, examination, repair, maintenance, alteration, adjustment, dismantling, testing or inspection of any plant.

(3) Imposing requirements with respect to the marking of any plant or of any articles used or designed for use as components in any plant, and in that connection regulating or restricting the use of specified markings.

(4) Imposing requirements with respect to the testing, labelling or examination of any substance.

(5) Imposing requirements with respect to the carrying out of research in connection with any activity mentioned in sub-paragraphs (1) to (4) above.

2

(1) Prohibiting the importation into the United Kingdom or the landing or unloading there of articles or substances of any specified description, whether absolutely or unless conditions imposed by or under the regulations are complied with.
(2) Specifying, in a case where an act or omission in relation to such an importation, landing or unloading as is mentioned in the preceding sub-paragraph constitutes an offence under a provision of this Act and of [the Customs and Excise Acts 1979], the Act under which the offence is to be punished.

3

(1) Prohibiting or regulating the transport of articles or substances of any specified description.

(2) Imposing requirements with respect to the manner and means of transporting articles or substances of any specified description, including requirements with respect to the construction, testing and marking of containers and means of transport and the packaging and labelling of articles or substances in connection with their transport.

4

(1) Prohibiting the carrying on of any specified activity or the doing of any specified thing except under the authority and in accordance with the terms and conditions of a licence, or except with the consent or approval of specified authority.

(2) Providing for the grant, renewal, variation, transfer and revocation of licences (including the variation and revocation of conditions attached to licences).

5

Requiring any person, premises or thing to be registered in any specified circumstances or as a condition of the carrying on of any specified activity or the doing of any specified thing.

6

(1) Requiring, in specified circumstances, the appointment (whether in a specified capacity or not) of persons (or persons with specified qualifications or experience, or both) to perform specified functions, and imposing duties or conferring powers on persons appointed (whether in pursuance of the regulations or not) to perform specified functions.

(2) Restricting the performance of specified functions to persons possessing specified qualifications or experience.

7

Regulating or prohibiting the employment in specified circumstances of all persons or any class of persons.

8

(1) Requiring the making of arrangements for securing the health of persons at work or other persons, including arrangements for medical examinations and health surveys.

(2) Requiring the making of arrangements for monitoring the atmospheric or other conditions in which persons work.

9

Imposing requirements with respect to any matter affecting the conditions in which persons work, including in particular such matters as the structural condition and stability of premises, the means of access to and egress from
premises, cleanliness, temperature, lighting, ventilation, overcrowding, noise, vibrations, ionising and other radiations, dust and fumes.

10

Securing the provision of specified welfare facilities for persons at work, including in particular such things as an adequate water supply, sanitary conveniences, washing and bathing facilities, ambulance and first-aid arrangements, cloakroom accommodation, sitting facilities and refreshment facilities.

11

Imposing requirements with respect to the provision and use in specified circumstances of protective clothing or equipment, including affording protection against the weather.

12

Requiring in specified circumstances the taking of specified precautions in connection with the risk of fire.

13

(1) Prohibiting or imposing requirements in connection with the emission into the atmosphere of any specified gas, smoke or dust or any other specified substance whatsoever.

(2) Prohibiting or imposing requirements in connection with the emission of noise, vibrations or any ionising or other radiations.

(3) Imposing requirements with respect to the monitoring of any such emission as is mentioned in the preceding sub-paragraphs.

14

Imposing requirements with respect to the instruction, training and supervision of persons at work.

15

(1) Requiring, in specified circumstances, specified matters to be notified in a specified manner to specified persons.

(2) Empowering inspectors in specified circumstances to require persons to submit written particulars of measures proposed to be taken to achieve compliance with any of the relevant statutory provisions.

16

Imposing requirements with respect to the keeping and preservation of records and other documents, including plans and maps.

17

Imposing requirements with respect to the management of animals.

18

The following purposes as regards premises of any specified description where persons work, namely--
(a) requiring precautions to be taken against dangers to which the premises or persons therein are or may be exposed by reason of conditions (including natural conditions) existing in the vicinity;

(b) securing that persons in the premises leave them in specified circumstances.

19

Conferring, in specified circumstances involving a risk of fire or explosion, power to search a person or any article which a person has with him for the purpose of ascertaining whether he has in his possession any article of a specified kind likely in those circumstances to cause a fire or explosion, and power to seize and dispose of any article of that kind found on such a search.

20

Restricting, prohibiting or requiring the doing of any specified thing where any accident or other occurrence of a specified kind has occurred.

21

As regards cases of any specified class, being a class such that the variety in the circumstances of particular cases within it calls for the making of special provision for particular cases, any of the following purposes, namely-

(a) conferring on employers or other persons power to make rules or give directions with respect to matters affecting health or safety;

(b) requiring employers or other persons to make rules with respect to any such matters;

(c) empowering specified persons to require employers or other persons either to make rules with respect to any such matters or to modify any such rules previously made by virtue of this paragraph; and

(d) making admissible in evidence without further proof, in such circumstances and subject to such conditions as may be specified, documents which purport to be copies of rules or rules of any specified class made under this paragraph.

22

Conferring on any local or public authority power to make byelaws with respect to any specified matter, specifying the authority or person by whom any byelaws made in the exercise of that power need to be confirmed, and generally providing for the procedure to be followed in connection with the making of any such byelaws.

Interpretation

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(1) In this Schedule "specified" means specified in health and safety regulations.

(2) It is hereby declared that the mention in this Schedule of a purpose that falls within any more general purpose mentioned therein is without prejudice to the generality of the more general purpose.
Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 October 1974: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(a), Sch 1.

Amendment

Para 2: in sub-para (2) words in square brackets substituted by the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979, s 177(1), Sch 4, para 12, Table, Part I.

Subordinate Legislation

Coal Mines (Respirable Dust) Regulations 1975, SI 1975/1433 (made under para 8).
Fire Certificates (Special Premises) Regulations 1976, SI 1976/2003 (made under paras 4(1), 12, 21(a)).
Coal Mines (Precautions against Inflammable Dust) Amendment Regulations 1977, SI 1977/913 (made under para 1(4)).
Compressed Acetylene (Importation) Regulations 1978, SI 1978/1723 (made under paras 2(1), 4), (a), (c), (4), 2(1), 3(1), (2).
Mines (Precautions Against Inrushes) Regulations 1979, SI 1979/318 (made under paras 1(1)(c), 8(2), 9, 15(1), 16, 18(a)).
Health and Safety (First-Aid) Regulations 1981, SI 1981/917 (made under paras 10, 14).
Notification of Installations Handling Hazardous Substances Regulations 1982, SI 1982/1357 (made under paras 1(1), 15(1)).
Classification and Labelling of Explosives Regulations 1983, SI 1983/1140 (made under paras 1(1)(b), (c), (4), 2(1), 3(1), (2)).
Asbestos ( Licensing) Regulations 1983, SI 1983/1649 (made under paras 1(1)(b), (c), 4, 8(1), 14, 15(1), 16).
Explosives Act 1875 etc. (Metrication and Miscellaneous Amendment) Regulations 1984, SI 1984/510 (made under paras 1(4), 3, 4(1)).
Freight Containers (Safety Convention) Regulations 1984, SI 1984/1890 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), (2), (3), 3, 4(1), 6(1)).
Dangerous Substances in Harbour Areas Regulations 1987, SI 1987/37 (made under paras 1(1)-(4), 2(1), 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13(2), 14, 15(1), 16, 18(a), 20, 21(a)-(c), 22).
Docks Regulations 1988, SI 1988/1655 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c, (2), (3), 9-12, 14, 15(1), 16, 18(a)).
Loading and Unloading of Fishing Vessels Regulations 1988, SI 1988/1656 (made under paras 1(1)(c), (2), 9, 12, 18(a)).
Mines (Safety of Exit) Regulations 1988, SI 1988/1729 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c, (2), 9, 12, 15(1), 18, 21(a), (b)).
Electricity at Work Regulations 1989, SI 1989/635 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), (2), (3), 6(2), 9, 11, 12, 14, 15(1), 16, 21(b)).
Health and Safety Information for Employees Regulations 1989, SI 1989/682 (made under para 15(1)).
Offshore Installations and Pipeline Works (First-Aid) Regulations 1989, SI 1989/1671 (made under paras 1(1)(c), 6, 10, 14).
Noise at Work Regulations 1989, SI 1989/1790 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (2), 6, 7, 8(1), 9, 11, 13(2), (3), 15(1), 16).
Construction (Head Protection) Regulations 1989, SI 1989/2209 (made under para 1(1)(c), 11, 15(1), 21(a)).
Dangerous Substances (Notification and Marking of Sites) Regulations 1990, SI 1990/304 (made under paras 1(1)(b), 15(1), 21(a)).


Notification of Cooling Towers and Evaporative Condensers Regulations 1992, SI 1992/2225 (made under para 15(1)).

Health and Safety (Display Screen Equipment) Regulations 1992, SI 1992/2792 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), (2), 7, 8(1), 9, 14).


Coal and Other Safety-Lamp Mines (Explosives) Regulations 1993, SI 1993/208 (made under paras 1(1)-(3), 3, 6, 7, 13(1), (3), 14, 15(1), 16, 20, 21(a), (b)).

Mines (Shafts and Winding) Regulations 1993, SI 1993/302 (made under paras 1(1)(c), (2), 6(1), 7, 16, 21(a), 7(b), (c)).

Management and Administration of Safety and Health at Mines Regulations 1993, 1993/1897 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), (2), 6, 7, 9, 12, 13(1), (3), 14, 15(1), 16, 18(a)).

Coal Mines (Owner's Operating Rules) Regulations 1993, SI 1993/2331 (made under paras 1(1)(c), 15(1), 21(b), (c)).


Mines Miscellaneous Health and Safety Provisions Regulations 1995, SI 1995/2005 (made under paras 1(1)(c), (2), 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 16, 18(a), 21(b)).

Borehole Sites and Operations Regulations 1995, SI 1995/2038 (made under paras 1(1)(c), (2), 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15(1), 16, 18, 21(b)).

Escape and Rescue from Mines Regulations 1995, SI 1995/2870 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), (2), 4, 6-11, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21(a), (b)).

Health and Safety Information for Employees (Modifications and Repeals) Regulations 1995, SI 1995/2923 (made under para 15(1)).


Health and Safety (Safety Signs and Signals) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/341 (made under paras 1(1), (3), (4), 9, 12, 14).

Gas Safety (Management) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/551 (made under paras 1(1)(c), 15(1), 16, 21(a)).


Marking of Plastic Explosives for Detection Regulations 1996, SI 1996/890 (made under paras 1(1)(b), 2(1)).

Offshore Installations and Wells (Design and Construction, etc) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/913 (made under paras 1(1), (2), 6, 9-11, 14, 15(1), 16, 18(a)).

Construction (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1996, SI 1996/1592 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), (2), 7, 9-12, 14, 16, 18(a)).

Work in Compressed Air Regulations 1996, SI 1996/1656 (made under paras 1(1), (2), 6(1), 7, 8(1), 9, 10, 12, 14, 15(1), 16).


Carriage of Dangerous Goods (Classification, Packaging and Labelling) and Use of Transportable Pressure Receptacles Regulations 1996, SI 1996/2092 (made under paras 1(1)-4), 3, 4(1), 6, 16).


Railway Safety (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1997, SI 1997/553 (made under paras 1(1)(c), 18(a)).

Confined Spaces Regulations 1997, SI 1997/1713 (made under paras 1(1), (2), 9, 11, 18(a)).

Diving at Work Regulations 1997, SI 1997/2776 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), 5, 6(1), (2), 14, 15(1), 16, 21(a)).


Carriage of Dangerous Goods (Amendment) Regulations 1998, SI 1998/2885 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), (2), 3).

Asbestos (Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations 1998, SI 1998/3233 (made under paras 1(1)(b), (c), 4, 8(1), 9, 13(1), 14, 15(1)).


Quarries Regulations 1999, SI 1999/2024 (made under paras 1(1), (2), 3(1), (2), 6, 8, 9, 12, 14, 15(1), 16, 18, 20, 21(b)).

Railway Safety Regulations 1999, SI 1999/2244 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c)).

Mines (Control of Ground Movement) Regulations 1999, SI 1999/2463 (made under paras 1(1), (2), 9, 14, 15(1), 16, 18(a), 20, 21(a), (b)).

Asbestos (Prohibitions) (Amendment) (No 2) Regulations 1999, SI 1999/2977 (made under paras 1(1), 2).

Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999, SI 1999/3232 (made under paras 1(1), (2), 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15(1), 16, 20, 21(a), (b)).

Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, SI 1999/3242 (made under paras 6(1), 7, 8(1), 10, 14, 15, 16).

Pressure Systems Safety Regulations 2000, SI 2000/128 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), (2), (3), 14, 15(1), 16).


Notification of New Substances (Amendment) Regulations 2001, SI 2001/1055 (made under paras 1(1)(b)).


Railway Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2001, SI 2001/3291 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), 8(1), 9, 15(1), 16).


Notification of New Substances (Amendment) Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2176 (made under para 1(1)(b), (5)).
Control of Lead at Work Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2676 (made under paras 1(1)(b), (c), (2), 6(1), 7-9, 11, 14, 15(1), 16).
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2677 (made under paras 1(1)-(4), 2, 6(1), 8, 9, 11, 14, 15(1), 16, 20).
Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2776 (made under paras 1(1), (2), (4), 6, 9, 11, 14, 16, 18(b), 20).
Notification of Installations Handling Hazardous Substances (Amendment) Regulations 2002, SI 2002/2979 (made under paras 1(1), 15(1)).
Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003, SI 2003/403 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (b), (2), 3, 4(1), 15(1), 16, 21(a)).
Railways (Safety Case) (Amendment) Regulations 2003, SI 2003/579 (made under paras 8(1), 15(1)).
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (Amendment) Regulations 2003, SI 2003/978 (made under para 1(1)(b), (5)).
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (Amendment) Regulations 2004, SI 2004/3386 (made under paras 1(1), (4), 8, 9, 11, 14, 15(1), 16, 20).
Work at Height Regulations 2005, SI 2005/735 (made under paras 1(1)-(3), 9, 11, 14, 15(1), 16).
Control of Vibration at Work Regulations 2005, SI 2005/1093 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), 8(1), 9, 11, 13(2), (3), 14, 15(1), 16, 20).
Control of Noise at Work Regulations 2005, SI 2005/1643 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), 8(1), 9, 11, 13(2), (3), 14, 15(1), 16, 20).
Genetically Modified Organisms (Contained Use) (Amendment) Regulations 2005, SI 2005/2466 (made under paras 1(1)(b), (c), (2), 11, 15(1)).
Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) (Amendment) Regulations 2005, SI 2005/2571 (made under para 1(1)(b), (4)).
Health and Safety (Enforcing Authority for Railways and Other Guided Transport Systems) Regulations 2006, SI 2006/557 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), 3(1), 6(2), 7, 8(1), 14, 15(1), 20).
Railways and Other Guided Transport Systems (Safety) Regulations 2006, SI 2006/599 (made under paras 1(1)(a), (c), (2), 4(1), 6, 7, 8(1), 9, 14, 15(1), 16, 18(a), 20).

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Amendment

Repealed by the Employment Protection Act 1975, ss 116, 125(3), Sch 15, para 21, Sch 18.

SCHEDULE 5

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Amendment

Repealed by the Building Act 1984, s 133(2), Sch 7.
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Amendment
Repealed by the Building Act 1984, s 133(2), Sch 7.

Part II

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Amendment
Repealed by the Building Act 1984, s 133(2), Sch 7.

SCHEDULE 7

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Amendment
Repealed by the Building (Scotland) Act 2003, s 58, Sch 6, para 9.

Date in force: 1 May 2005: see SSI 2004/404, art 2(1).
**Amendment**

Repealed by the Building (Scotland) Act 2003, s 58, Sch 6, para 9.

Date in force: 1 May 2005: see SSI 2004/404, art 2(1).

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**Amendment**

Repealed by the Building (Scotland) Act 2003, s 58, Sch 6, para 9.

Date in force: 1 May 2005: see SSI 2004/404, art 2(1).

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**SCHEDULE 8**

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS WITH RESPECT TO FIRE CERTIFICATES UNDER FACTORIES ACT 1961 OR OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT 1963

**NOTES**

**Amendment**


Date in force: 1 October 2006: see SI 2005/1541, art 1(3) (as amended by SI 2006/484, art 2).

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**NOTES**

**Amendment**


Date in force: 1 October 2006: see SI 2005/1541, art 1(3) (as amended by SI 2006/484, art 2).

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In this Schedule--

"the 1971 Act" means the Fire Precautions Act 1971;

"1971 Act certificate" means a fire certificate within the meaning of the 1971 Act;
"Factories Act certificate" means a certificate under section 40 of the Factories Act 1961 (means of escape in case of fire certification by fire authority);

"Office Act certificate" means a fire certification under section 29 of the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963.

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(1) Where by virtue of an order under section 1 of the 1971 Act a 1971 Act certificate becomes required in respect of any premises at a time when there is in force in respect of those premises a Factories Act certificate or an Offices Act certificate ("the existing certificate"), the following provisions of this paragraph shall apply.

(2) The existing certificate shall continue in force (irrespective of whether the section under which it was issued remains in force) and--

(a) shall as from the said time be deemed to be a 1971 Act certificate validly issued with respect to the premises with respect to which it was issued and to cover the use or uses to which those premises were being put at that time; and

(b) may (in particular) be amended, replaced or revoked in accordance with the 1971 Act accordingly.

(3) Without prejudice to sub-paragraph (2)(b) above, the existing certificate, as it has effect by virtue of sub-paragraph (2) above, shall as from the said time be treated as imposing in relation to the premises the like requirements as were previously imposed in relation thereto by the following provisions, that is to say--

(a) if the existing certificate is a Factories Act certificate, the following provisions of the Factories Act 1961, namely sections 41(1), 48 (except subsections (5), (8) and (9)), 49(1), 51(1) and 52(1) and (4) and, so far as it relates to a proposed increase in the number of persons employed in any premises, section 41(3);

(b) if the existing certificate is an Offices Act certificate the following provisions of the Offices, Shops and Railways Act 1963, namely sections 30(1), 33, 34(1) and (2), 36(1) and 38(1) and, so far as it relates to a proposed increase in the number of persons employed to work in any premises at any one time, section 30(3).

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Initial Commencement

To be appointed

To be appointed: see s 85(2).

Appointment

Appointment: 1 April 1975: see SI 1974/1439, art 2(c), Sch 3.

Amendment

Date in force: 1 October 2006: see SI 2005/1541, art 1(3) (as amended by SI 2006/484, art 2).


NOTES
Amendment
Repealed by the Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1993, s 1, Sch 1, Pt XVI.

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Amendment
Repealed by the Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1993, s 1, Sch 1, Pt XVI.