

Post Office Act 1969

1969 CHAPTER 48

PART III

THE NEW AUTHORITY FOR THE CONDUCT OF POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHIC BUSINESS

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

Pt. III (ss. 6–88) amended by Local Government Act 1985 (c. 51, SIF 81:1), s. 57(7), **Sch. 13 para.** 13(c)

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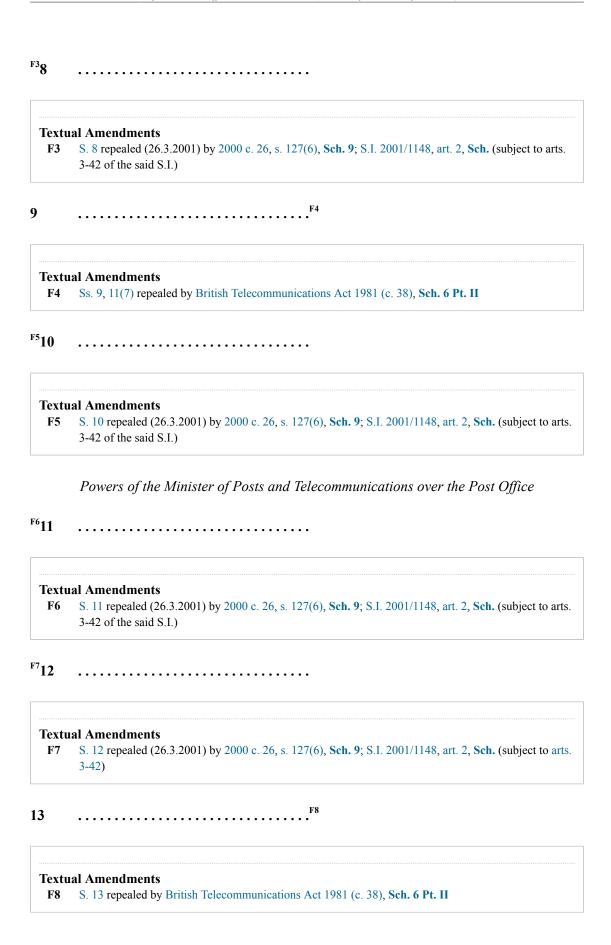
^{F1} 6	The Post Office.
Textu	al Amendments
F1	S. 6 repealed (1.5.2007) by Postal Services Act 2000 (c. 26), s. 130(1), Sch. 9 ; S.I. 2007/1181, art. 2, Sch.

Powers and Duties of the Post Office

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Textual Amendments

F2 S. 7 repealed (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), **Sch. 9**; S.I. 2001/1148, art. 2, **Sch.** (subject to arts. 3-42 of the said S.I.)



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⁹ 14	
Textua F9	al Amendments S. 14 repealed (1.1.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), Sch. 9; S.I. 2000/2957, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Table
⁰ 15	•••••
Textua F10	al Amendments S. 15 repealed (1.1.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), Sch. 9; S.I. 2000/2957, art. 2(2), Sch. 2 Table
	General Provisions as to Transfer to the Post Office of Property, Rights and Liabilities of the Postmaster General
¹ 16	
Textua F11	Il Amendments S. 16 repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with arts. 1(3), 4(1)(11))
7	F12
Textua F12	Il Amendments Ss. 17, 19 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. I
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Textua F13	Al Amendments S. 18 repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with arts. 1(3), 4(1)(2)(11))
9	F14
	al Amendments Ss. 17, 19 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. I

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Transfer to the Post Office of the Postmaster General's statutory Rights and Liabilities as to Mails and Telegraphs and of Rights and Liabilities, &c., of his rks

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20	Rights and liabilities as to conveyance of mails.			
		appointed day—		
	F15(a) [F16(b)	the rights which, by virtue of sections 33, 34, 36(1) and 42 of the principal Act (which contain provisions enabling him to compel railway undertakers to undertake the conveyance of mail-bags by train and by ships which are owned or worked by them or in the case of which they are parties to arrangements for the use, maintenance or working thereof) he enjoys immediately before that day and the countervailing obligations with respect to payment of remuneration for services performed which, immediately before that day, are, by virtue of sections 35 and 36(2) of the principal Act, incumbent on him shall become those of the Post Office;]		
F17	F15(c) [F16(d)	the obligation to him which, by virtue of subsection (1) of section 38 of the principal Act, is, immediately before that day, incumbent on railway undertakers to perform services with respect to the conveyance of mailbags and the other matters mentioned in that subsection and the right which, by virtue of subsection (2) of that section, they enjoy, immediately before that day, to receive from him remuneration for services performed shall respectively become an obligation to the Post Office and a right against it.]		
Text	ual Amend	ments		
F15		a)(c) and word "and" at the end of para. (c) repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2),		
		ith arts. 1(3), 4(11)) b)(d) repealed (1.4.1994) by 1993 c. 43, ss. 152(3), Sch. 14 ; S.I. 1994/571, art. 5		
F17		epealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with art. 4(11))		
21	•••••	F18		
Text	ual Amend	ealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I		
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Rights and liabilities, &c., arising out of Acts authorising the acquisition of land 22 or the execution of works.

(1) Any provision of the Sites Acts, the MIPost Office Extension Act 1865, the MIPOST Office (London) Railway Act 1913, the MIPOST Office (Site and Railway) Act 1954, the MIPOST Office Works Act 1959 or the M6Post Office Subway Act 1966 which is in force immediately before the appointed day and contains references to the Postmaster General shall, so far as necessary for

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preserving its effect on and after that day, have effect as from that day as if those references were references to the Post Office.

- (2) As from the appointed day, any rights or powers vested in, or exercisable by, the Post Office under the enactments relating to telegraphs in respect of works of any kind whatsoever executed under those enactments shall extend to, and may be exercised by it in respect of, the portions of the tube constructed by the Pneumatic Despatch Company, Limited, that vest in the Post Office by virtue of section 16 of this Act.
- (3) Section 20 of the M7Bristol Cattle Market Act 1930 (which empowers the Postmaster General, amongst others, to enter into and carry out agreements with reference to any of the matters referred to in that Act or the agreements mentioned in that section) shall, as from the appointed day, have effect with the substitution, for the reference to the Postmaster General, of a reference to the Post Office.
- (4) Section 16 of the M8City of London (Various Powers) Act 1950 (which provides for the continuance of the making, by the Postmaster General, the Mayor and commonalty and citizens of the city of London acting by the common council and the Mercers' Company of certain periodic payments to the incumbents and clerks of certain benefices in the city, being payments originally required to be made under enactments repealed by that Act) shall, as from the appointed day, have effect as if, in Schedule 1 to that Act, for references to the Postmaster General, there were substituted references to the Post Office; and the rights of indemnity in favour of the Postmaster General that are saved by the proviso to section 18 of that Act shall, as from that day, enure for the benefit of the Post Office and the charges on property to secure the payment of money payable to the Postmaster General in respect of indemnities so saved which are themselves also saved by that proviso shall, as from that day, have effect accordingly.
- (5) The reference in subsection (1) above to the Sites Acts is a reference to the Acts passed during the years 1885 to 1938 (both inclusive) the short title of each of which consists of the words "The Post Office (Sites) Act" followed by the year in which it was passed.

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The text of ss. 20(2), 22(3) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Marginal Citations

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     1865 c. 87.
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M21876 c. iii.

1913 c. cxvi. **M3**

1954 c. xxix. **M4**

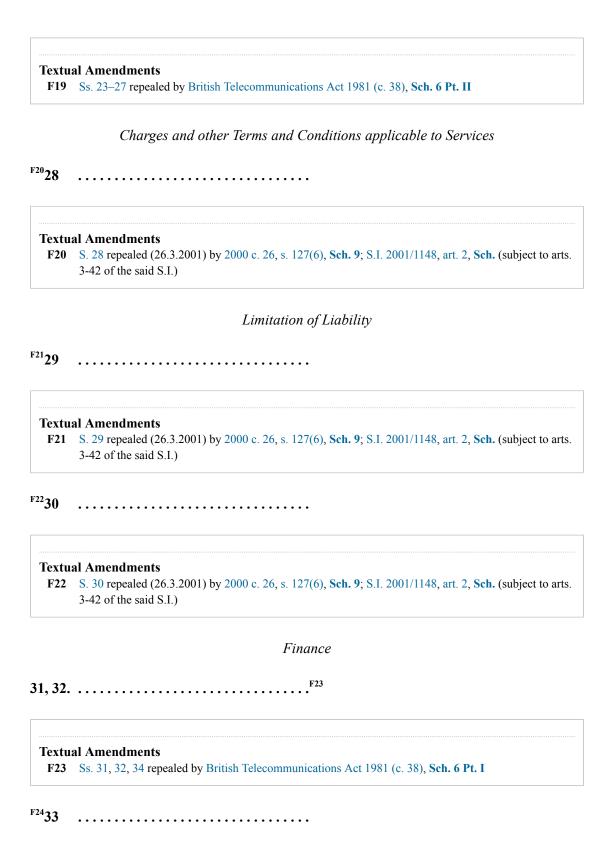
M5 1959 c. 43.

M6 1966 c. 25.

1930 c. clxxix. **M7**

1950 c. v. M8

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	al Amendments S. 33 repealed (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), Sch. 9 ; S.I. 2000/2957, art. 2(3), Sch. 3 .
34	F25
	al Amendments Ss. 31, 32, 34 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. I
35, 36.	F26
	al Amendments Ss. 35, 36, 42 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. II
F2737	
Textu F27	al Amendments S. 37 repealed (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), Sch. 9 ; S.I. 2001/1148, art. 2, Sch. (subject to arts. 3-42 of the said S.I.)
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	al Amendments S.38 repealed (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), Sch. 9 ; S.I. 2001/1148, art. 2, Sch. (subject to arts. 3-42 of the said S.I.)
F2939	
Textu F29	al Amendments S. 39 repealed (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), Sch. 9 ; S.I. 2001/1148, art. 2, Sch. (subject to arts. 3-42 of the said S.I.)
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F36	S. 46 repealed (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), Sch. 9 ; S.I. 2000/2957, art. 2(3), Sch. 3 Table

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F37 S. 47 repealed (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), Sch. 9; S.I. 2000/2957, art. 2(3), Sch. 3 Table

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F38 S. 48 repealed (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), **Sch. 9**; S.I. 2000/2957, art. 2(3), **Sch. 3** Table

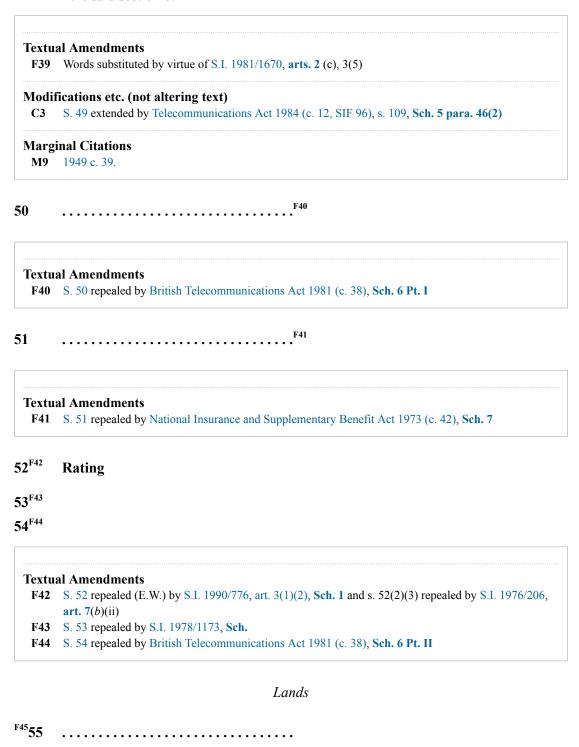
49 Provisions as to pensions of former employees of Cable and Wireless Limited and certain other persons.

- (1) The Minister may, by statutory instrument (which shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament) make, with the consent of [F39the Treasury], such regulations with respect to the payment of pensions to, or in respect of, persons who, at the passing of this Act are serving in the department of the Postmaster General, being—
 - (a) persons who have pension rights under any of the following schemes, that is to say, the existing pension schemes, the scheme for the payment of pensions commonly known as the Cable and Wireless Pension Fund (being a scheme subsisting by virtue of regulations made under section 6 of the M9Commonwealth Telegraphs Act 1949) and the scheme for the payment of pensions commonly known as the Cable and Wireless Staff Dependants' Fund (being a scheme so subsisting); or
 - (b) persons, other than as aforesaid, who have been in the employment of Cable and Wireless Limited;

as appear to him to be requisite for securing that they, and persons claiming in right of them, are not adversely affected in the matter of pension rights by reason only that, in consequence of this Act, they cease to serve in that department.

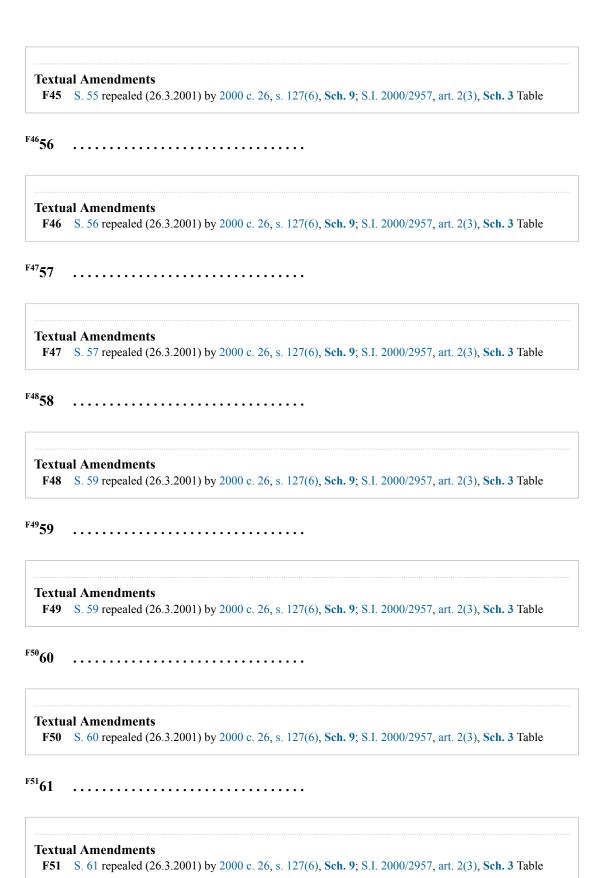
(2) Subsections (2) to (4), (7) and (8) of the said section 6 shall apply for the purposes of this section as if references to that section and subsection (1) thereof included references to the foregoing subsection, as if, for references to the existing pension schemes (except in subsection (8)), there were substituted references to the schemes mentioned in subsection (1)(a) above, and as if, in subsection (7), for the reference to 1st January 1947 there were substituted a reference to the day on which this Act passes; and subsection (5) of that section shall, in its application to subsection (2)(a), as applied by this section, have effect as if, for the references to the purposes of any of the existing pension schemes, there were substituted a reference to the purposes of any of the schemes so mentioned.

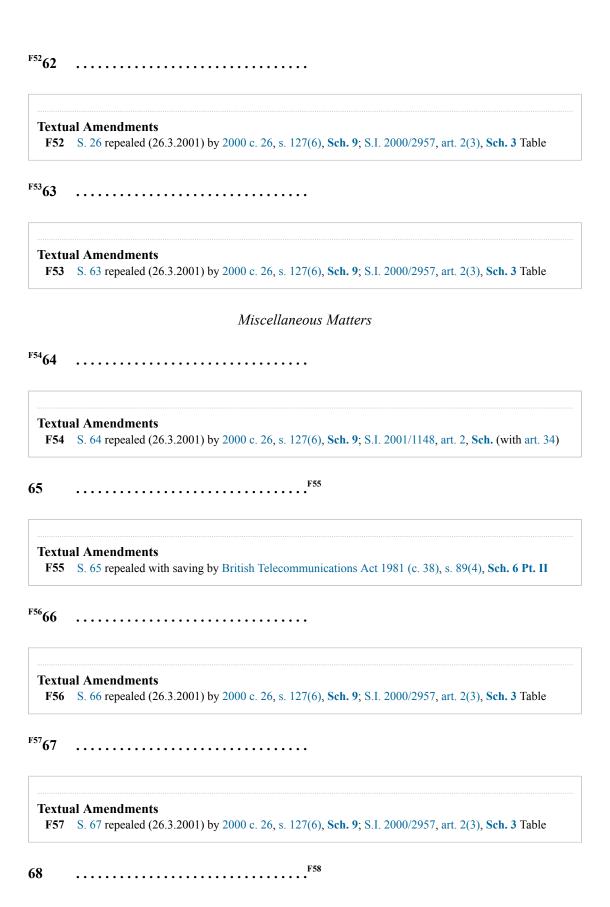
(3) Regulations under this section may amend or revoke provisions of regulations under the said section 6.



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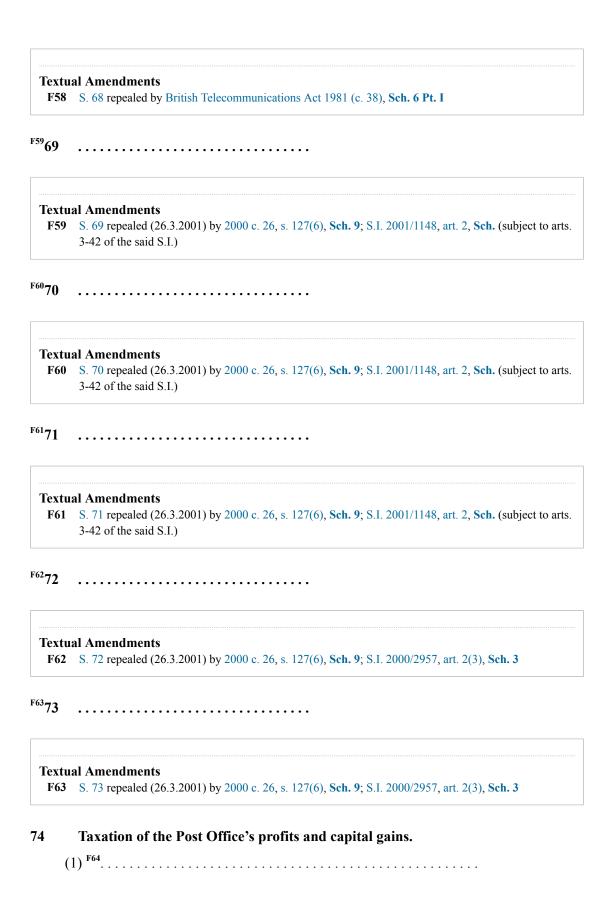
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(2) [F65The [F66M10Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992]] shall apply in relation to a disposal by the Post Office of an asset acquired by virtue of this Part of this Act as if the acquisition or provision of the asset by the Crown had been the acquisition or provision of it by the Post Office.

Textual Amendments F64 S. 74(1) repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981, (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. I F65 Words in s. 74(2) substituted by Capital Gains Tax Act 1979 (c. 14), Sch. 7 para. 8(b) Table Pt. II **F66** Words in s. 74(2) substituted (6.3.1992 with effect as mentioned in s. 289(1)(2) of the substituting Act) by virtue of Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 (c. 12), ss. 289, 290, Sch. 10 para.1 (with ss. 60, 101(1), 201(3)) **Marginal Citations** M10 1992 c. 12 75 Records. $^{\mathbf{F67}}(1)\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots\dots$ **Textual Amendments** F67 S. 75(1) repealed (1.5.2007) by Postal Services Act 2000 (c. 26), s. 130(1), Sch. 9; S.I. 2007/1181, art. F68 S. 75(2) repealed (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), Sch. 9; S.I. 2001/1148, art. 2, Sch. (subject to arts. 3-42 of the said S.I.) **76** Consequential adaptations of enactments. The provisions of Schedule 4 to this Act shall have effect for adapting the provisions of the enactments and Orders in Council therein mentioned in consequence of the assumption by the Post Office of functions which, before the appointed day, are exercised and performed by the Postmaster General. F6977 **Textual Amendments F69** S. 77 repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), **Sch. 2** (with arts. 1(3), 4(11)) **78**

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Textu F70	al Amendments S. 78 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. II
⁷¹ 79	•••••
	al Amendments S. 79 repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with arts. 1(3), 4(11))
^{F72} 80	
Textu F72	al Amendments S. 80 repealed (except in so far as it extends to the Bailiwick of Guernsey) (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), Sch. 9; S.I. 2001/1148, art. 2, Sch. (with art. 34)
⁷⁷³ 81	
Textu F73	al Amendments S. 81 repealed (26.3.2001) by 2000 c. 26, s. 127(6), Sch. 9 ; S.I. 2001/1148, art. 2, Sch. (subject to arts. 3-42 of the said S.I.)
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	al Amendments Ss. 82, 85 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. I
33	F75
Textu F75	al Amendments S. 83 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38, SIF 96), Sch. 6 Pt. I and expressed to be repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I
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(1) In this Part of this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them respectively, that is to say:—

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"land" includes any interest in land and any right over land;
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Textual Amendments
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- F78 Words in s. 86(1) repealed (12.11.2003) by The Postal Services Act 2000 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/2908), art. 1(2), Sch. 2
- **F79** S. 86(1): definition of "banker" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), **Sch. 2** (with art. 4(11))
- F80 S. 86(1): definition of "the British Islands" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with art. 4(11))
- F81 S. 86(1): definition of "cash on delivery service" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with art. 4(11))
- F82 S. 86(1): definition of "foreign administration" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with art. 4(11))

- **F83** S. 86(1): definition of "harbour" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), **Sch. 2** (with art. 4(11))
- **F84** S. 86(1): definition of "harbour authority" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with art. 4(11))
- F85 S. 86(1): definition of "hovercraft" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with art. 4(11))
- F86 S. 86(1): definition of "local authority" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with art. 4(11))
- **F87** S. 86(1): definition of "mail-bag" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), **Sch. 2** (with art. 4(11))
- F88 S. 86(1): definition of "national health service authority" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with art. 4(11))
- F89 S. 86(1): definition of "statutory provision" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), Sch. 2 (with art. 4(11))
- **F90** S. 86(1): definition of "telecommunication system" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), **Sch. 2** (with art. 4(11))
- **F91** S. 86(1): definition of "telepost service" repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), **Sch. 2** (with art. 4(11))
- F92 S. 86(2) repealed (1.10.2009) by The Companies Act 2006 (Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/1941), art. 1(2), Sch. 2 (with art. 10)
- F93 S. 86(3) repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. II
- **F94** S. 86(4) repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), **Sch. 2** (with art. 4(11))

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C4 S. 86(1): by s. 84(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1985 it is provided that until 1.4.1986 references to the Inner London Education Authority in any amendment made by Sch. 14 to the said Act shall be construed as references to the Inner London Interim Education Authority
- C5 S. 86(1) extended (E.W.) by S.I. 1985/1884, art. 4(*f*)
- C6 S. 86(1) amended by S.I. 1987/2110, art. 8(c)

Marginal Citations

M11 1981 c. 38.

Power of Her Majesty in Council to make necessary provision if the Post Office surrenders privileges as regards the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.

Textual Amendments

F95 S. 87 repealed (1.5.2007) by Postal Services Act 2000 (c. 26), s. 130(1), Sch. 9; S.I. 2007/1181, art. 2, Sch.

Extent of Part III and related Schedules

88 Extent of Part III and related Schedules.

- (1) The following shall extend to the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands, namely,—
 - (a) this Part of this Act, except sections 76 and 77 and any provision which, by its terms, is limited in its operation to a part of the United Kingdom; and

- (b) Schedules 1 and 2 to this Act.
- (2) Section 76 of, and Schedule 4 to, this Act shall—
 - (a) in their application to an enactment that is expressed (either in the Act containing it or in another Act, and either directly or indirectly) to extend to the Isle of Man, extend to that Isle; and
 - (b) in their application to an enactment that is so expressed to extend to the Channel Islands, extend to those Islands.

(5) Subsections (1), (2) and (4) above shall have effect subject to the provisions of any Order in Council made under the last foregoing section.

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Textual Amendments

F96 S. 88(3) repealed by Civil Aviation (Amendment) Act 1982 (c. 1), Sch. 2

F97 S. 88(4) repealed (26.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1149, art. 3(2), **Sch. 2** (with art. 4(11))

F98 S. 88(6) repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. II

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