



# Harbours, Docks and Piers Clauses Act 1847

1847 CHAPTER 27 10 and 11 Vict

*Protection of the harbour, dock, and pier*

**73 Penalty for throwing ballast, &c., into harbour or dock.**

Every person who shall throw or put any ballast, earth, ashes, stones, or other thing into the harbour or dock shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding [<sup>F1</sup>level 1 on the standard scale]: Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice or prevent any person from adopting any measures which but for the passing of this Act he would be lawfully entitled to adopt for recovering any land which shall at any time have been lost to him, or severed from land belonging to him, by reason of the overflowing or washing of any navigable river, or for protecting his land from future loss or damage by the overflowing or washing of such navigable river.

**Textual Amendments**

**F1** Words substituted (E.W.S.) by virtue of (E.W.) [Criminal Justice Act 1982 \(c. 48, SIF 39:1\)](#), **s. 46** and (S.) [Criminal Procedure \(Scotland\) Act 1975 \(c. 21, SIF 39:1\)](#), **s. 289G**

**Changes to legislation:**

Harbours, Docks and Piers Clauses Act 1847, Section 73 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 21 June 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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

- Act excluded by [2023 c. 8 s. 11\(8\)](#)