



Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963

CHAPTER 41

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT 1963

Scope of Act

- 1 Premises to which this Act applies
- 2 Exception for premises in which only employer's relatives or outworkers work
- 3 Exception for premises where only 21 man-hours weekly normally worked

Health, Safety and Welfare of Employees (General Provisions)

- 4 Cleanliness
- 5 Overcrowding
- 6 Temperature
- 7 Ventilation
- 8 Lighting
- 9 Sanitary conveniences
- 10 Washing facilities
- 11 Supply of drinking water
- 12 Accommodation for clothing
- 13 Sitting facilities
- 14 Seats for sedentary work
- 15 Eating facilities
- 16 Floors, passages and stairs
- 17 Fencing of exposed parts of machinery
- 18 Avoidance of exposure of young persons to danger in cleaning machinery

- 19 Training and supervision of persons working at dangerous machines
- 20 Regulations for securing health and safety
- 21 Regulations for controlling noise and vibrations
- 22 Power of magistrates' courts and sheriffs to make orders for putting down dangerous-conditions and practices
- 23 Prohibition of heavy work
- 24 First aid: general provisions
- 25 First aid: premises inside, but for purposes of Factories Act 1961 not forming part of, factory
- 26 First aid: office premises erected for purposes of building operations, &c
- 27 Penalization of dangerous acts and interference with equipment, &c

Fire Precautions

- 28 Provision of means of escape in case of fire
- 29 Certification of premises by appropriate authority
- 30 Maintenance of means of escape in case of fire, and inspection by appropriate authority
- 31 Right of appeal against matters arising out of sections 29 and 30
- 32 Power of magistrates' courts and sheriffs to make orders for putting down dangerous conditions in regard to means of escape in case of fire
- 33 Safety provisions in case of fire
- 34 Fire alarms
- 35 Power of Minister to make regulations with respect to means of escape in case of fire
- 36 Employees to be made familiar with means of escape in case of fire
- 37 Fire prevention
- 38 Provision of fire-fighting equipment
- 39 Appropriate authority for purposes of sections 28 to 38
- 40 Exclusion of application of sections 28 to 38 to certain fuel storage premises and modification thereof in relation to others
- 41 Duty of appropriate authority, if not concerned with construction of buildings, to consult authority so concerned before requiring alterations to be made

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- 42 Provisions with respect to buildings in single ownership
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56 Exercise, on behalf of factory and mine and quarry inspectors, of their powers by officers of fire brigades
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58 Power of local authorities to indemnify their inspectors
59 Restriction of disclosure of information
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65 Offences by bodies corporate
66 Penalty on persons actually committing offences for which others are liable
67 Defence available to persons charged with offences
68 Falsification of documents, false statements, &c
69 Removal or defacement of documents posted in pursuance of Act or regulations under it
70 Prosecution of offences
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72 Appeal from orders made on complaint
73 Power of county court and sheriff to modify agreements and apportion expenses

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- 74 Amendment of sections 123(1) and 124(1) of Factories Act 1961, and provisions consequential thereon
75 Amendment of section 125(1) of Factories Act 1961, and provisions consequential thereon

- 76 Amendment of Public Health Act 1936
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- 78 Provision for securing exercise of local Act powers in conformity with this Act

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- 79 Minister to report to Parliament
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- 85 Exclusion of application to factories, to certain fish salerooms and to parts below ground of mines
- 86 Exclusion of application to premises occupied for transitory purposes

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- 1 Before the Minister makes any special regulations he shall publish...
- 2 Every objection must be in writing and state—
- 3 The Minister shall consider any objection made by or on...
- 4 If after the publication of the notice with respect to...
- 5 Where any such inquiry is to be held as to...
- 6 In this Schedule the expression " general objection " means,...

SCHEDULE 2 — Enactments repealed