



Harbours Act 1964

1964 CHAPTER 40

An Act to establish a National Ports Council; to provide for the control of harbour development and for giving financial assistance for the improvement of harbours; to make other provision respecting the construction, improvement, maintenance and management of harbours; to make provision with respect to charges of certain harbour authorities and lighthouse authorities; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid. [10th June 1964]

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Act extended by [Docks and Harbours Act 1966 \(c. 28\)](#), **s. 50(1)**
- C2** So far as may be necessary for the purposes of any amendment by [Transport Act 1981 \(c. 56, SIF 58\)](#) references in this Act to the Minister shall be construed as references to the Secretary of State: [Transport Act 1981 \(c. 56, SIF 58\)](#), ss. 15–17, 18(4), **Sch. 5 para. 4(1)(b)**.
- C3** Act amended (E.W.) by [Water Act 1989 \(c. 15, SIF 130\)](#), ss. 58(7), 101(1), 141(6), 160(1)(2)(4), 163, 189(4)–(10), 190, 193(1), [Sch. 25 para. 31\(1\)](#), [Sch. 26 paras. 3\(1\)\(2\), 17, 40\(4\), 57\(6\)](#), **58**
Act amended (1.4.1996) by S.I. 1996/593, reg. 2, **Sch. 1**
- C4** Act amended (E.W.) (1.12.1991) by [Water Consolidation \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1991 \(c. 60, SIF 130\)](#), ss. 2(1), 4(2), **Sch. 1 para. 13(1)**
Certain functions of the Act transferred (8.2.1993) by S.I. 1993/321, **arts. 1(2), 3(1)**.
Act: functions transferred (3.12.2001) by S.I. 2001/3503, **arts. 2(1)(b), 3**
- C5** Act: transfer of functions (2.7.2012) by [The British Waterways Board \(Transfer of Functions\) Order 2012 \(S.I. 2012/1659\)](#), **art. 2, Sch. 1** (with arts. 4–6)

Commencement Information

- I1** Act partly in force at Royal Assent see s. 63(4); Act wholly in force at 1.10.1964

Changes to legislation:

Harbours Act 1964, Introductory Text is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 29 March 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 modified by [2023 c. 8 s. 9\(7\)](#)