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PART 8

ENFORCEMENT

CHAPTER 4

FISHERIES ENFORCEMENT POWERS

Inspection and seizure of objects at sea

267 Disposal of objects seized under section 264

- (1) This section applies to—
 - (a) any object seized under section 264(2) which the relevant authority—
 - (i) no longer wishes to retain for any purpose, or
 - (ii) is required to make available for collection by virtue of section 266;
 - (b) any object seized under section 264(5).
- (2) In this section a “notice of collection” is a notice stating that—
 - (a) the object specified in the notice is available to be collected from the location so specified, and
 - (b) if the object is not collected before the end of the period of three months beginning with the date specified in the notice, the relevant authority will dispose of the object.
- (3) The relevant authority must serve a notice of collection on every person who appears to the authority to be the owner, or one of the owners, of the object.
- (4) The relevant authority may take any other steps it thinks fit to notify every such person that the object is available to be collected.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (5) If the relevant authority, after taking reasonable steps to do so, is unable to identify any person as owning the object in order to serve a notice of collection, the relevant authority must take such steps as it thinks fit to bring the information contained in the notice of collection to the attention of persons likely to be interested in it.
- (6) If the relevant authority complies with subsection (3) or subsection (5), as the case may be, the relevant authority may, at the end of the period mentioned in subsection (2)(b), dispose of the object in whatever way it thinks fit.
- (7) Any reference in this section to an object seized under subsection (2) or (5) of section 264 includes a reference to anything seized by virtue of subsection (6) of that section.