

# Merchant Shipping Act 1894

### **1894 CHAPTER 60**

#### **PART X**

PILOTAGE.

Rates of Pilotage (Trinity House).

### Rates of pilotage.

- (1) Subject to any alteration to be made by the Trinity House there shall continue to be paid to all Trinity House pilots, in respect of their pilotage services, such dues as are immediately before the commencement of this Act payable to them in respect of those services.
- (2) The Trinity House may by byelaw made under this Part of this Act repeal or relax, as to the whole or any part of their, district, the provisions of this Part of this Act restricting the demanding, receiving, offering to pay, or payment of any pilotage rates other than those which may be demanded by law so far as to allow any pilot or class of pilots under their authority to demand or receive, and any master to offer or pay, any rate less than the rate which may be demanded by law.

# 627 Pilotage dues for foreign ships for port of London.

- (1) Subject to any alteration to be made by the Trinity House, and notwithstanding anything before contained in this Part of this Act, there shall be paid in respect of all foreign ships trading to and from the port of London, and not exempted from pilotage,
  - (a) as to ships inwards, the full amount of pilotage dues for the distance piloted; and
  - (b) as to ships outwards, the full amount of dues for the distance required by law.
- (2) Payment of those pilotage dues shall be made to the chief officer of customs in the port of London by the master or other person having the charge of the ship, or by the

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- consignees or agents thereof who have paid or made themselves liable to pay any other charge for the ship in the port of London.
- (3) Pilotage dues under this section may be recovered in the same manner as other pilotage dues are recoverable under this Part of this Act.

## Receipt and application of pilotage dues payable by foreign ships.

- (1) Subject to any alteration to be made by the Trinity House, the chief officer of customs shall, on receiving any pilotage dues in respect of foreign ships, give to the person paying the same a receipt in writing; and in the port of London the ship may be detained until the receipt is produced to the proper officer of customs at that port.
- (2) Subject to any alteration to be made by the Trinity House, the chief officer of customs shall pay over to the Trinity House the pilotage dues received by him in respect of any foreign ship; and the Trinity House shall apply the same—
  - (a) in the first place, in paying to any pilot who may bring sufficient proof of his having had the charge of the ship such dues as would have been payable to him for the pilotage service if the ship had been a British ship, after deducting therefrom the poundage due to the Trinity House; and
  - (b) in the second place, in paying to any unlicensed person who may bring sufficient proof of his having, in the absence of a licensed pilot, had the charge of the ship, such amount as the Trinity House may think proper, not exceeding the amount which would under similar circumstances have been payable to a licensed pilot, after deducting poundage; and
  - (c) lastly, in paying over to the Trinity House Pilot Fund the residue together with all poundage deducted as aforesaid.

### 629 Settlement of difference as to draught of ship.

- (1) Whenever any difference arises between the master and the qualified pilot of any ship trading to or from the port of London as to her draught of water, the Trinity House shall, upon application by either party, made in the case of a ship inward bound, either within twelve hours after her arrival or at some time before she begins to discharge her cargo, and, in the case of a ship outward bound, before she quits her moorings, appoint some proper officer to measure the ship, and settle the difference accordingly.
- (2) There shall be paid to the officer who measures the ship, by the party against whom he decides, one guinea if the ship be below, and half a guinea if the ship be above, the entrance of the London Docks at Wapping.