



Merchant Shipping Act 1894

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PART IV

FISHING BOATS.

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PROVISIONS APPLYING TO ALL FISHING BOATS AND TO THE WHOLE FISHING SERVICE.

Provisions for ascertaining Profits of Fishing Boats.

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- (1) Where a skipper or any other member of the crew of a fishing boat is paid by a share in the catch; the owner of the boat shall render to him a full and true account, in a form approved by the Board of Trade, showing in detail the amounts for which the fish have been sold, and all deductions from those amounts which are chargeable in any respect to the men who are paid by share, and are made either in respect of stores supplied to the fishing boat, or provisions furnished to the crew or otherwise.
- (2) If the owner of a fishing boat fails without reasonable cause to comply with the foregoing provisions of this section, he shall for each offence be liable to a fine not exceeding five pounds.
- (3) If a dispute arises as to the share of the catch, the skipper or seaman shall be entitled to inspect at all reasonable times the owner's accounts and books relating to the catch, and if the owner of a fishing boat upon demand fails without reasonable cause to submit his accounts or books at a reasonable time to such inspection, he shall for each offence be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds.