
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Prevention of Damage by Pests
(Application to Shipping) Order 1951**

PART II

Rats and mice

4. All references in Part I of the Act to an owner or occupier of land, or to the duty of a local authority to secure that their district is so far as practicable kept free from rats and mice shall have effect subject to the following modifications:—

- (a) general references to an owner of land shall be construed as references to the owner of a vessel which is not a sea-going ship;
- (b) general references to an occupier of land shall be construed as references to the person having the custody or control of a vessel which is not a sea-going ship;
- (c) general references to the duty of a local authority to secure so far as practicable that their district is kept free from rats and mice shall be construed as including a duty to secure so far as practicable that any vessel in their district which is not a sea-going ship is kept free from rats and mice.

5. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1 of the Act which prescribe the local authorities for the purposes of Part I of the Act, the functions of a local authority in relation to sludge vessels owned by the council of any administrative county or county borough or by the G.L.C. shall be exercised by that council and not by any other authority.