
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 1879

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

**The Appointment of Ports (Liverpool, Mostyn, Holyhead
and Caernarfon) Order 1980**

Made - - - - 8th December 1980

Coming into Operation 31st December 1980

The Commissioners of Customs and Excise, in pursuance of the powers conferred on them by section 19 of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Appointment of Ports (Liverpool, Mostyn, Holyhead and Caernarfon) Order 1980 and shall come into operation on 31st December 1980.

Interpretation

2. In this Order, “approaches” in relation to a dock or harbour means all waters leading thereto from the areas specified in the appointments contained in this Order.

Revocation of earlier appointments

3. The Return to the Court of Exchequer, Treasury Warrants and Order set out in the Schedule hereto are hereby revoked.

Port of Liverpool

4.—(1) The Commissioners appoint as a port for the purposes of customs and excise those internal and territorial waters of Her Majesty’s dominions within the area bounded:—

- (a) to the north by a line on a true bearing 270° from a point north of Southport at latitude $53^\circ 41' 51''$ north, longitude $02^\circ 57' 18''$ west (a limit of the Port of Preston);
- (b) to the south-west by a line on a true bearing 315° from Hilbre Point at latitude $53^\circ 23' 16''$ north, longitude $03^\circ 11' 57''$ west (a limit of the Port of Mostyn);
- (c) by mean high water line along the coast between the points described in (a) and (b) above; and
- (d) by the seaward limit of territorial waters between the limits described in (a) and (b) above,

together with—

- (i) docks and harbours, including the approaches thereto, and

- (ii) as far as the tide flows, all rivers, canals, bays, creeks, streams, channels, waters and watercourses

giving on to the area specified in this Article:

Provided that the area of this port shall not:—

- (a) extend along the River Mersey east of an imaginary straight line drawn from Dungeon Point to Ince Ferry;
- (b) include so much of the Eastham Channel in the River Mersey as is enclosed by an imaginary line drawn in the line of dolphins on the east side of the Eastham Channel and, at a distance of five hundred and thirty-eight yards from the seaward extremity of the eighty feet lock at Eastham, a further imaginary line to the western foreshore at right angles to the first line (being an area within the Port of Manchester);
- (c) include any part of the Manchester Ship Canal.

(2) The Commissioners name the said port the Port of Liverpool.

Port of Mostyn

5.—(1) The Commissioners appoint as a port for the purposes of customs and excise those internal and territorial waters of Her Majesty's dominions within the area bounded:—

- (a) to the north-east by a line on a true bearing 315° from Hilbre Point at latitude $53^\circ 23' 16''$ north, longitude $03^\circ 11' 57''$ west (a limit of the Port of Liverpool);
- (b) to the south-west by a line on a true bearing 315° from the west bank of the River Clwyd at latitude $53^\circ 18' 57''$ north, longitude $03^\circ 30' 18''$ west (a limit of the Port of Holyhead);
- (c) by mean high water line along the coast between the points described in (a) and (b) above; and
- (d) by the seaward limit of territorial waters between the limits described in (a) and (b) above,

together with—

- (i) docks and harbours, including the approaches thereto, and
- (ii) as far as the tide flows, all rivers, canals, bays, creeks, streams, channels, waters and watercourses

giving on to the area specified in this Article.

(2) The Commissioners name the said port the Port of Mostyn.

Port of Holyhead

6.—(1) The Commissioners appoint as a port for the purposes of customs and excise those internal and territorial waters of Her Majesty's dominions within the area bounded:—

- (a) to the north-east by a line on a true bearing 315° from the west bank of the River Clwyd at latitude $53^\circ 18' 57''$ north, longitude $03^\circ 30' 18''$ west (a limit of the Port of Mostyn);
- (b) to the south by a line on a true bearing 270° from the lighthouse on Llanddwyn Island at latitude $53^\circ 08' 06''$ north, longitude $04^\circ 24' 51''$ west (a limit of the Port of Caernarfon);
- (c) by mean high water line along the coast between the points described in (a) and (b) above, and

- (d) by the seaward limit of territorial waters between the limits described in (a) and (b) above,
together with—
- (i) docks and harbours, including the approaches thereto, and
 - (ii) as far as the tide flows, all rivers, canals, bays, creeks, streams, channels, waters and watercourses
- giving on to the area specified in this Article:

Provided that the area of this port shall not extend along the Menai Strait west of the Britannia Rail Bridge at latitude 53° 12' 57" north, longitude 04° 11' 04" west.

(2) The Commissioners name the said port the Port of Holyhead.

Port of Caernarfon

7.—(1) The Commissioners appoint as a port for the purposes of customs and excise those internal and territorial waters of Her Majesty's dominions within the area bounded:—

- (a) to the north by a line on a true bearing 270° from the lighthouse on Llanddwyn Island at latitude 53° 08' 06" north, longitude 04° 24' 51" west (a limit of the Port of Holyhead);
 - (b) to the south by a line on a true bearing 270° from a point on the coast near Llwyngwriil at latitude 52° 40' 05" north, longitude 04° 05' 39" west (a limit of the Port of Aberystwyth);
 - (c) by mean high water line along the coast between the points described in (a) and (b) above; and
 - (d) by the seaward limit of territorial waters between the limits described in (a) and (b) above,
together with—
- (i) docks and harbours, including the approaches thereto, and
 - (ii) as far as the tide flows, all rivers, canals, bays, creeks, streams, channels, waters and watercourses
- giving on to the area specified in this Article:

Provided that the area of this port shall not extend along the Menai Strait east of the Britannia Rail Bridge at latitude 53° 12' 57" north, longitude 04° 11' 04" west.

(2) The Commissioners name the said port the Port of Caernarfon.

8th December 1980.

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SCHEDULE

Article 3

Port	Instrument of Appointment	Date	Section and Title or Short Title of Enabling Statute	Chapter
Beaumaris	Return to the Court of Exchequer	6th November 1844	Section 139, an Act for the General Regulation of the Customs	1833 c. 52
Caernarvon	Treasury Warrant	18th February 1898	Section 12, Customs Consolidation Act 1876	1876 c. 36
Chester	Treasury Warrant	16th December 1847	Sections 14 and 15, An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Customs	1846 c. 102
Liverpool	The Appointment of the Port of Liverpool Order 1956, S.I. 1956/1795	12th November 1956	Section 13, Customs and Excise Act 1952	1952 c. 44

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, made under section 19 of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979, defines the limits of four ports on the north-west coasts of England and Wales for the purposes of customs and excise.

The Order establishes two new customs and excise ports; that of Mostyn (incorporating the former port of Chester) and Holyhead (incorporating the former port of Beaumaris). In addition the ports of Liverpool and Caernarfon have been redefined.