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MERCHANT SHIPPING

**The Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) (Amendment)
Regulations 1988**

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The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of powers conferred on him by section 5(2) of the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act 1898(a) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:-

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) (Amendment) Regulations 1988 and shall come into force on 1st April 1988.
2. The Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) (Amendment) Regulations 1987(b) are hereby revoked.
3. The Schedule to the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Regulations 1981(c) shall be amended as follows:-
 - (a) For the scale of payments relating to the levying of light dues set out in Part I thereof there shall be substituted the following scale:-

SCALE OF PAYMENTS

1. Home-trade sailing ships: 78p per 10 tons per voyage.
2. Foreign-going sailing ships: £1.56 per 10 tons per voyage.
3. Home-trade steamers:
Full rate: £1.56 per 10 tons per voyage.
Reduced rate (visiting cruise ships): 78p per 10 tons per voyage.
4. Foreign-going steamers:
Full rate: £3.12 per 10 tons per voyage.
Reduced rate (visiting cruise ships): £1.56 per 10 tons per voyage.
5. In the place of payments per voyage, the following payments:-
 - (a) for pleasure yachts which the general lighthouse authority is satisfied are ordinarily kept or used outside any of the following countries and territories (including the territorial waters thereof), namely the United Kingdom, Isle of Man, Republic of Ireland, a payment in respect of any visit of 78p per 10 tons for every period of 30 days or less comprised in such visit;
 - (b) for tugs and pleasure yachts not included in sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph an annual payment of £9.36 per 10 tons;
 - (c) with effect from 1 June 1988, for fishing vessels of 10 metres or more in length for each year a payment per vessel of £180 plus a payment of £18 for each metre of length in excess of 10 metres.

(a) 1898 c.44; section 5(2) was substituted by the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (c.39), section 36(2).
(b) S.I. 1987/244.
(c) S.I. 1981/354, amended by S.I. 1987/244 and 746.

(b) In Part II thereof:-

- (i) in sub-paragraph (a) of the proviso to rule (1), for "£24.22" and "£12.11" there shall be substituted respectively "£21.84" and "£10.92"
- (ii) in rule (7) for "86.5p" there shall be substituted "78p".

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State
25th February 1988

David B. Mitchell
Minister of State,
Department of Transport

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations provide for a decrease of about 10% in the scale of light dues payable under the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act 1898 as set out in the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Regulations 1981 (as amended) and revoke previous amending Regulations. The last changes took effect on 1st April and 1st June 1987.

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