STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1989 No. 971

The Offshore Installations (Safety Representatives and Safety Committees) Regulations 1989

PRELIMINARY

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Offshore Installations (Safety Representatives and Safety Committees) Regulations 1989 and shall come into force on 18th September 1989.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations-

"the 1974 Act" means the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974(1);

"appropriate languages" in relation to any information to be displayed on the installation under these Regulations means English and such other languages as are necessary to enable the information to be understood by all persons on the installation who may need to refer to it;

"elected" includes being declared the safety representative for a constituency under regulation 12 below by virtue of being the only candidate duly nominated for that position;

"employed" means employed or engaged under a contract of service or for services and related expressions shall be construed accordingly;

"installation logbook" means a logbook which is required to be maintained under regulation 2 of the Offshore Installations (Logbooks and Registration of Death) Regulations 1972(2);

"installation manager" includes, where no manager is appointed pursuant to section 4 of the 1971 Act, any person made responsible by the installation owner for safety, health and welfare on board an offshore installation;

"occupational health and safety" means the health and safety of the workforce while on or working from an installation and while boarding or leaving it;

"the prescribed period" means the period of five weeks or such shorter period as is reasonably practicable to make representations, or nominations, or to vote as the case may be;

"a week" means any period of seven days;

"workforce" includes every person who is for the time being working on or from an offshore installation under a contract of service or a contract for services, other than the installation manager, a body corporate or an unincorporated body of persons.

Application

3. These Regulations shall apply to an offshore installation, not being a dredging installation registered in the United Kingdom or elsewhere, which–

⁽**1**) 1974 c. 37.

⁽**2**) S.I.1972/1542.

- (a) is maintained on a working station in controlled waters for the carrying on of an activity to which the 1971 Act applies, and
- (b) is normally manned.