
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 1539 (C.62)

MERCHANT SHIPPING

**The Merchant Shipping and Maritime Security
Act 1997 (Commencement No. 2) Order 1997**

Made - - - - 19th June 1997

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 31(3) of the Merchant Shipping and Maritime Security Act 1997(1), hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Merchant Shipping and Maritime Security Act 1997 (Commencement No. 2) Order 1997.
2. The provisions of the Act specified in the first column of the Schedule to this Order (which relate to the matters specified in the second column of that Schedule) shall come into force on 17th July 1997.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Glenda Jackson
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of the Environment, Transport and
the Regions

19th June 1997

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SCHEDULE

Article 2

PROVISIONS COMING INTO FORCE ON 17TH JULY 1997

<i>Provisions of the Act</i>	<i>Subject matter of provision</i>
Section 2	Powers of intervention where shipping accident threatens pollution
Section 3	Powers of intervention in cases of pollution by substances other than oil
Section 4	Powers of fire authorities
Section 6	Indemnities in connection with counter-pollution measures
Section 7	Increased penalty for causing pollution, etc.
Section 14	Carriage of hazardous and noxious substances
Section 15	Limitation of liability
Section 17	Financial assistance for training
Section 18	Discharge books
Section 19	Powers of general lighthouse authorities
Section 20	Disclosure of information to general lighthouse authorities
Section 21	Certain duties not to apply to RNLI
Section 22	Disposal of unclaimed wreck
Section 23	Retention of documents by Registrar General
Section 25	Amendments of Aviation and Maritime Security Act 1990
Section 26	Piracy
Section 27	Application of section 1 of International Organisations Act 1968 to International Oil Pollution Compensation Fund
Section 29	Minor and consequential amendments, etc.
Schedule 3	Provisions to be inserted as Schedule 5A to the Merchant Shipping Act 1995
Schedule 4	Amendments of Part III of Aviation and Maritime Security Act 1990
Schedule 5	Provisions of United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea to be treated as part of the law of nations
Schedule 6 so far as it is not already in force	Minor and consequential amendments
Schedule 7 so far as it is not already in force	Repeals and Revocations

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force on 17 July 1997 most of the provisions not yet in force of the Merchant Shipping and Maritime Security Act 1997.

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

(This note is not part of the Order)

1. Sections 5, 8, 11, 12, 13, 16, 24, 28, 30 and 31, and Schedule 2 and paragraph 16 of Schedule 6 came into force on Royal Assent (19th March 1997).

2. The following provisions were brought into force on 23rd March 1997 by an earlier commencement order, S.I. No. 1997/1082 (C. 39):

Section 1

Section 9 partially

Section 10

Section 29(1), partially

Section 29(2), partially

Schedule 1, paragraphs 1—5

Schedule 6, partially

Schedule 7, partially