STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2011 No. 934

The Marine Licensing (Licence Application Appeals) Regulations 2011

PART 5

Hearings and inquiries

Procedure

- **16.**—(1) Except as otherwise provided in these Regulations, the appointed person may determine the procedure to be followed at a hearing or an inquiry.
 - (2) Once the hearing or inquiry has started the appointed person may adjourn it at any time.
 - (3) The persons entitled to appear are—
 - (a) the appellant;
 - (b) the Authority; and
 - (c) any person who has made representations concerning the appeal.
 - (4) The appointed person may proceed in the absence of any person entitled to appear.
- (5) The appointed person may permit any other person to appear, and such permission must not be unreasonably withheld.
- (6) Any person entitled or permitted to appear may appear in person or be represented by any other person.
- (7) A person entitled to appear may call evidence, but the calling of evidence is otherwise at the appointed person's discretion.
- (8) Cross-examination is not permitted at a hearing unless the appointed person considers that it is required to ensure a thorough examination of the main issues.
- (9) If the appointed person considers that cross-examination is required, the appointed person must consider, after consulting the appellant and the Authority, whether to close the hearing and start an inquiry instead.
- (10) A person entitled to appear at an inquiry may cross-examine persons giving evidence, but the cross-examination of persons giving evidence at an inquiry is otherwise at the appointed person's discretion.
- (11) The appointed person may take into account any written representation, evidence or any other document received from any person before or during a hearing or an inquiry, provided that the appointed person discloses it at the hearing or inquiry.
- (12) If the appointed person so decides, a hearing or an inquiry may be held wholly or partly in private.
 - (13) This regulation is subject to regulation 17.