

Middle Level Act 2018

2018 CHAPTER ii

PART 3

REGISTRATION

13 Provision of information

- (1) This section applies to information which is held by or on behalf of the Commissioners for the purposes of this Act (including information obtained by or on behalf of the Commissioners before the coming into force of this Act).
- (2) Information may be supplied to a responsible authority for the purposes of facilitating the exercise of the Commissioners' functions under the navigation Acts or any functions of that authority.
- (3) Information may be supplied to any person who can show to the satisfaction of the Commissioners reasonable cause for wanting the particulars to be made available to that person.
- (4) Information obtained by virtue of this section must not be further disclosed except to a responsible authority for the purposes mentioned in subsections (2) and (3).
- (5) In this section, "responsible authority" means any of the following—
 - (a) the chief officer of police for any police area in which the waterways are situated;
 - (b) the fire authority for any area in which the waterways are situated;
 - (c) the enforcing authority within the meaning given by section 18 of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (authorities responsible for the enforcement of the relevant statutory provisions) for any area in which the waterways are situated;
 - (d) the local planning authority within the meaning given by the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for any area in which the waterways are situated;
 - (e) the local authority by which statutory functions are exercisable in any area in which the waterways are situated in relation to minimising or preventing the risk of pollution of the environment or of harm to human health;

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- (f) the Environment Agency; and
- (g) in relation to a vessel—
 - (i) a navigation authority within the meaning of section 221(1) of the Water Resources Act 1991 (general interpretation); or
 - (ii) the Secretary of State.
- (6) In this section, "statutory function" means a function conferred by or under any enactment.