



# Post Office Act 1969

## 1969 CHAPTER 48

An Act to abolish the office of master of the Post Office, distribute the business conducted by the holder thereof amongst authorities constituted for the purpose and make provision consequential on the abolition of that office and the distribution of the business so conducted; to amend, replace or repeal certain provisions of the enactments relating to posts, telegraphs and savings banks; to amend the law relating to stamp duty; and to empower the Treasury to dispose of their interest in the shares of Cable and Wireless Limited. [25th July 1969]

### Extent Information

**E1** Act: This Act extends to the U.K. but see s. 88

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Act amended (1.4.1996) by [S.I. 1996/593, reg. 2, Sch. 1](#)
- C2** 1.10.1969 appointed by [S.I. 1969/1066](#) as the day which in the repealed s. 1(1) of the Act is specified as being referred to in the Act as the “appointed day”
- C3** Act explained by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 66\(6\)](#)

### Commencement Information

**I1** Act wholly in force at Royal Assent

## PART I

**1** ..... **F1**

### Textual Amendments

**F1** [S. 1](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 6 Pt. 1](#)

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**PART II**

THE MINISTER OF POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND HIS FUNCTIONS

**2 The Minister of Posts and Telecommunications.**

- (1) ..... <sup>F2</sup>
- (6) In the following provisions of this Act, “the Minister” means [<sup>F3</sup>the Secretary of State]  
...
- (7) ..... <sup>F2</sup>

<b>Textual Amendments</b>	
<b>F2</b>	S. 2(1)–(5)(7) repealed by S.I. 1974/691, Sch.
<b>F3</b>	Words substituted by virtue of S.I. 1974/691, arts. 2, 3(3)
<b>Modifications etc. (not altering text)</b>	
<b>C4</b>	Unreliable marginal note

**3 Transfer to the Minister of the Postmaster General’s functions with respect to wireless telegraphy, and provisions consequential thereon.**

- (1) The functions which, immediately before the appointed day, are vested in the Postmaster General by virtue of the following provisions, namely,—
  - (a) those of the <sup>M1</sup>Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949 which remain in force on and after that day and those of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1967; <sup>F4</sup>
  - (b) <sup>F4</sup> .....
 shall, on that day, vest in the Minister; and, accordingly, as from that day,—
  - (i) references in those provisions to the Postmaster General (except those in section 5 of the <sup>M2</sup>Wireless Telegraphy Act 1967), <sup>F5</sup> . . . shall be construed as referring to the Minister, and references to the Postmaster General in the said section 5, the second and third references to him in the said section 24(4) and the references to him in section 9(3) of the <sup>M3</sup>Defamation Act 1952 (extension to broadcasting of certain defences) and of the <sup>M4</sup>Defamation Act (Northern Ireland) 1955 shall be construed as including references to the Minister; and
  - (ii) any reference to the Postmaster General in a provision of regulations, rules or a licence under the <sup>M5</sup>Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949 or the <sup>M6</sup>Wireless Telegraphy Act 1967 which is in force at the beginning of that day shall (unless the context otherwise requires) be construed as referring to the Minister and any reference to an officer of the Post Office in any such provision shall (unless the context otherwise requires) be construed as referring to a person acting under the authority of the Minister.

- <sup>F6</sup>(2) .....
- <sup>F6</sup>(3) .....
- <sup>F6</sup>(4) .....
- <sup>F6</sup>(5) .....

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- (6) Section 20(3) of the <sup>M7</sup>Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949 (power of Her Majesty in Council to extend that Act to the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands) shall have effect as if the reference to that Act included a reference to the foregoing provisions of this section, <sup>F7</sup> . . .

#### Textual Amendments

- F4** Word and s. 3(1)(b) repealed by [Independent Broadcasting Authority Act 1973 \(c. 19\)](#), **Sch. 3 Pt. I**
- F5** Words in s. 3(1)(b)(i) repealed (1.1.1996) by [1995 c. 21, ss. 314\(1\), 316\(2\)](#), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), [Sch. 14 para. 1](#))
- F6** [S. 3\(2\)-\(5\)](#) repealed (18.6.1998) by [1998 c. 6, ss. 7, 10\(2\)](#), **Sch. 2 Pt. I**
- F7** Words in s. 3(6) repealed (1.1.1996) by [1995 c. 21, ss. 314\(1\), 316\(2\)](#), **Sch. 12** (with s. 312(1), [Sch. 14 para. 1](#))

#### Marginal Citations

- M1** [1949 c. 54.](#)
- M2** [1967 c. 72.](#)
- M3** [1952 c. 66.](#)
- M4** [1955 c. 11 \(N.I.\)](#)
- M5** [1949 c. 54](#)
- M6** [1967 c. 72.](#)
- M7** [1949 c. 54.](#)

#### 4 **Transfer to the Minister of the Postmaster General's functions under section 6 of the Commonwealth Telegraphs Act 1949.**

The functions which are vested in the Postmaster General by virtue of section 6 of the <sup>M8</sup>Commonwealth Telegraphs Act 1949 (provisions as to pensions of employees of Cable and Wireless Limited and certain other persons) shall, on the appointed day, vest in the Minister; and, accordingly, as from that day, references in that section to the Postmaster General shall be construed as referring to the Minister.

#### Marginal Citations

- M8** [1949 c. 39.](#)

#### 5 **Transfer to the Minister of the Postmaster General's power to make orders under the Recorded Delivery Service Act 1962.**

The power conferred by subsection (3) of section 1 of the Recorded Delivery Service Act 1962 on the Postmaster General by order to make such amendments of enactments contained in local or private Acts as appear to him to be necessary or expedient in consequence of subsection (1) of that section shall, on the appointed day, vest in the Minister; and, accordingly, as from that day, the reference to the Postmaster General in the said subsection (3) and the reference to him in subsection (4) of that section (which lays on him a duty of consultation before making an order under subsection (3)) shall each be construed as referring to the Minister.

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## PART III

### THE NEW AUTHORITY FOR THE CONDUCT OF POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHIC BUSINESS

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

**C5** Pt. III (ss. 6–88) amended by [Local Government Act 1985 \(c. 51, SIF 81:1\)](#), s. 57(7), [Sch. 13 para. 13\(c\)](#)

#### *The Post Office*

### 6 The Post Office.

- (1) There shall be established a public authority, to be called the Post Office, which shall have such powers and duties as are conferred and imposed on it by, or by virtue of, the following provisions of this Act; <sup>F8</sup> . . .
- (2) The Post Office shall consist of a chairman and, to a number not exceeding [<sup>F9</sup>nineteen] nor falling short of—
  - (a) <sup>F10</sup> . . . . .
  - (b) six, <sup>F8</sup> . . . . .
 of other members, whether part-time or full-time.
- (2A)
- <sup>F11</sup>(3) The chairman of the Post Office shall be appointed by the Minister, and the other members of the Post Office shall be appointed by the Minister after consultation with the chairman.
- (4) Schedule 1 to this Act shall have effect as respects the Post Office and the members thereof.
- (5) It is hereby declared that the Post Office is not to be regarded as the servant or agent of the Crown, or as enjoying any status, immunity or privilege of the Crown, or (subject to the express provisions of this Act relating to stamp duty) as exempt from any tax, duty, rate, levy or other charge whatsoever, whether general or local, and that its property is not to be regarded as property of, or property held on behalf of, the Crown.

#### Textual Amendments

- F8** Words repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)
- F9** Word substituted by [Post Office Act 1977 \(c. 44\)](#), s. [1\(1\)](#)
- F10** [S. 6\(2\)\(a\)](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)
- F11** [S. 6\(2A\)](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

#### *Powers and Duties of the Post Office*

### 7 Powers of the Post Office. E+W

- (1) The Post Office shall have power—

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- [<sup>F12</sup>(a) to provide postal services (including cash on delivery services) and telepost services;

    - (b) to provide banking services and such other services by means of which money may be remitted (whether by means of money orders, postal orders or otherwise) as it thinks fit;

      - [ to provide, in such parts of post offices as are open to the public (whether for the transaction of postal business or otherwise), such services provided by means of telecommunication systems as it thinks fit;]
  - [<sup>F13</sup>(bb) to provide, in such parts of post offices as are open to the public (whether for the transaction of postal business or otherwise), such services provided by means of telecommunication systems as it thinks fit;]
  - [<sup>F14</sup>(c) to perform any services for any public telecommunications operator or any subsidiary of any such operator;]
  - (d) to perform services for Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom, Her Majesty’s Government in Northern Ireland or the government of a country or territory outside the United Kingdom;
  - (e) to perform services for local authorities or national health service authorities]
  - [<sup>F15</sup>[<sup>F16</sup>(ee) with the consent of, or in accordance with the terms of a general authorisation given by, the Secretary of State, to perform, in such parts of post offices as are open to the public for the transaction of postal business, such services for any operator of a public passenger transport service (within the meaning of the Transport Act 1985), or any subsidiary of such an operator, as it thinks fit, being services which are connected with the provision of public passenger transport services; and]
  - (f) with the consent of, or in accordance with the terms of a general authorisation given by, the Secretary of State, to perform, in such parts of post offices as are open to the public for the transaction of postal business, such services for such bodies falling within subsection (1A) below as it thinks fit.]
- [<sup>F17</sup>(1AA) In subsection (1)(e) above, “local authority” includes a police authority established under [<sup>F18</sup>section 3 of the Police Act 1996 [<sup>F19</sup>, the Service Authority for the National Criminal Intelligence Service and the Service Authority for the National Crime Squad]]]
- [<sup>F20</sup>(1A) The bodies referred to in subsection (1)(f) above are—
- (a) any body corporate—

    - (i) which supplies goods or services by way of business;
    - (ii) the affairs of which are managed by its members; and
    - (iii) the members of which hold office as such by virtue of their appointment to that or another office by a Minister of the Crown under any enactment;
  - (b) [<sup>F21</sup> . . . any passenger transport executive [<sup>F22</sup>for the purposes of Part II] of the <sup>M9</sup>Transport Act 1968;

    - [ the National Rivers Authority or any water undertaker or sewerage
- [<sup>F23</sup>(c) undertaker;]
- [ a [<sup>F25</sup>gas supplier] (within the meaning of Part I of the Gas Act 1986);]
- [<sup>F24</sup>(ca) a public electricity supplier (within the meaning of Part I of the Electricity
- [<sup>F26</sup>(cb) Act 1989);]
- [ a public electricity supplier (within the meaning of Part II of the Electricity
- [<sup>F27</sup>(cc) (Northern Ireland) Order 1992);]
- [ a person holding a licence under Article 8(1)(c) of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order
- [<sup>F28</sup>(cd) 1996]

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- (d) the British Broadcasting Corporation;
- (e) any body corporate with a statutory duty to promote and assist the maintenance and development of the efficient supply of any goods or services by a body falling within paragraphs (a) to (d) above; or
- (f) any wholly owned subsidiary of a body falling within paragraphs (a) to (e) above<sup>F29</sup> . . . ;

but the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument exclude from this subsection such bodies or bodies of such descriptions as may be specified in the order.]

- (2) The Post Office shall have power, for the purpose of securing the effective exercise of any of the powers conferred on it by [<sup>F30</sup>subsection (1) above], or in connection with or in consequence of an exercise thereof, to do anything that appears to the Post Office to be requisite, advantageous or convenient for it to do, including in particular (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing words) power—
- (a) to construct, manufacture, produce, purchase, take on hire or hire-purchase, install, maintain and repair anything required for the purposes of its business or of the business of a subsidiary of its;
  - (b) to construct, manufacture, produce or purchase for supply to others any articles of a kind similar to any so required and to install, maintain, repair and test for others articles of such a kind;
  - (c) to provide others with the services of persons employed by it for the purpose of undertaking for them tasks of a kind which, in the course of the provision or performance by it of any service falling within [<sup>F30</sup>subsection (1) above], are undertaken by persons so employed;
  - (d) to provide, for the benefit of others, consultancy and advisory services concerning anything that it does in exercise of its powers or has power to do and facilities for the training of persons for any purpose connected with anything that it so does or has power to do;
  - (e) to enter into and carry out agreements with any person for the carrying on by him, whether as its agent or otherwise, of any of the activities which itself may carry on or for the carrying on jointly by him and it of any of those activities;
  - (f) to acquire land which is required by it for, or in connection with, the exercise of its powers or as to which it can reasonably be foreseen that it will be so required;
  - (g) to dispose (whether absolutely or for a term of years) of any part of its undertaking or any property which in its opinion is not required by it for or in connection with the exercise of its powers, and, in particular, to dispose of an interest in, or right over, any property which, subject to the interest or right, is retained by it;
  - (h) for the purposes of its business, to subscribe for or acquire any securities of an incorporated company or other body corporate, to procure its admission to membership of an incorporated company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital, to promote the formation of an incorporated company or participate in the promotion of such a company or to acquire an undertaking or part of an undertaking;
  - (i) to give or lend money to, or give a guarantee for the benefit of, any person with whom it has entered into an agreement by virtue of paragraph (e) above for the purpose of enabling him to carry out the agreement and, for the purposes of its business, to give or lend money to, or give a guarantee for the benefit of, any other person for the purposes of an undertaking carried on by him or, where

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that person is a body corporate, an undertaking carried on by a subsidiary of its;

- (j) to do anything for the purpose of advancing the skill of persons employed by it or that of persons who, though not so employed, are engaging themselves, or have it in contemplation to engage themselves, in work of a kind in the case of which it has or may have a direct or indirect concern in the products thereof;
- (k) to promote (either by prosecuting it itself or by its promoting it by others) research into matters which affect, or arise out of, the carrying on of its business, or other matters which, though not such as aforesaid, are such as to which it appears to it that advantage will or may accrue to it as a consequence of research's being prosecuted into them;
- (l) to promote the doing of such work as is requisite to enable there to be turned to account—
  - (i) the results of research (whether promoted by it or not) into matters affecting, or arising out of, the carrying on of its business;
  - (ii) the results of research promoted by it into other matters;
- (m) to provide assistance (including financial assistance) to any institution or body whose activities (or any of them) are such as, in its opinion, to be of benefit to it;
- (n) to carry for hire or reward passengers in vehicles used by it for the purposes of its business;
- (o) to enter into, and carry out, agreements with persons who carry on business as carriers of goods, for the carriage by it on their behalf of goods consigned to them for carriage by them;
- (p) to provide houses, hostels and other like accommodation for persons engaged in its business;
- (q) to make loans to persons employed by it (including, in particular, loans to assist them to acquire housing accommodation) and to guarantee loans made to persons so employed (including, in particular, loans made by building societies and other bodies for housing purposes);
- (r) to promote recreational activities for, and activities conducing to the welfare of, persons who are, or have been, engaged in its business or have been officers, servants or agents of the Postmaster General and the families of such persons and to assist the promotion by others of such activities;

and may turn its resources to account so far as not required for the purposes of its business.

- (3) For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that the foregoing provisions of this section relate only to the capacity of the Post Office as a statutory corporation, and nothing in those provisions shall be construed as authorising the disregard by it of any enactment or rule of law.
- (4) The Post Office shall not be regarded as a common carrier in respect of any of its activities.
- (5) The provisions of this section shall not be construed as limiting any power of the Post Office conferred by or under any subsequent provision of this Act.
- (6) Nothing in this section shall be taken to confine the exercise of the powers thereby conferred on the Post Office to the British Islands.

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### Textual Amendments

- F12** S. 7(1)(a)–(e) substituted for s. 7(1)(a)–(d) by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 58\(1\)](#)
- F13** S. 7(1)(bb) inserted by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\), ss. 99\(1\), 109](#)
- F14** S. 7(1)(c) substituted by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\), s. 109, Sch. 4 para. 50, Sch. 5 para. 45](#)
- F15** S. 7(1)(f) and word 'and' preceding it inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 58\(2\)](#)
- F16** S. 7(1)(ee) substituted (E.W.S.) for word “and” by [Transport Act 1985 \(c. 67, SIF 126\), Sch. 7 para. 13\(a\)](#)
- F17** S. 7(1AA) inserted (1.10.1994 for specified purposes; otherwise 1.4.1995) by 1994 c. 29, s. 43, [Sch. 4 Pt. II para. 49](#); S.I. 1994/2025, [art. 6\(1\)](#); S.I. 1994/3262, [art. 4](#)
- F18** Words in s. s. 7(1AA) substituted (22.8.1996) by 1996 c. 16, ss. 103, 104(1), [Sch. 4 Pt. I para. 1\(2\)\(f\)](#)
- F19** Words in s. 7(1AA) inserted (1.4.1998) by 1997 c. 50, s. 134(1), [Sch. 9 para. 19](#); S.I.1998/354, [art. 2](#)
- F20** S. 7(1A) inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 58\(3\)](#)
- F21** Words repealed (E.W.) by [London Regional Transport Act 1984 \(c. 32, SIF 126\), s. 71\(3\)\(a\)\(b\)](#), Sch. 6 para. 6(a), Sch. 7
- F22** Words in s. 7(1A)(b) substituted (E.W.S.) by [Transport Act 1985 \(c. 67, SIF 126\), s. 57\(6\), Sch. 3 para. 22](#)
- F23** S. 7(1A)(c) substituted (E.W.) by [Water Act 1989 \(c. 15, SIF 130\), ss. 58\(7\), 101\(1\), 141\(6\), 160\(1\)\(2\)\(4\), 163, 189\(4\)–\(10\), 190, 193\(1\), Sch. 25 para. \(39\), Sch. 26 paras. 3\(1\)\(2\), 17, 40\(4\), 57\(6\), 58](#)
- F24** S. 7(1A)(ca) inserted (E.W.S.) by [Gas Act 1986 \(c. 44, SIF 44:2\), s. 67\(1\)\(3\), Sch. 7 para. 10, Sch. 8 para. 33](#)
- F25** Words in s. 7(1A)(ca) substituted (1.3.1996) by 1995 c. 45, s. 16(1), [Sch. 4 para. 9](#); S.I. 1996/218, [art. 2](#)
- F26** S. 7(1A)(cb) inserted (E.W.S.) by [Electricity Act 1989 \(c. 29, SIF 44:1\), s. 112\(1\)\(3\), Sch. 16 para. 15, Sch. 17 paras. 33, 35\(1\)](#)
- F27** S. 7(1A)(cc) inserted (1.4.1992) by S.I. 1992/231 (N.I. 1), [art. 95\(1\), Sch. 12 para. 7](#); S.R. 1992/117, [art. 3\(1\)](#).
- F28** S. 7(1A)(cd) inserted (10.6.1996) by S.I. 1996/275, [art. 71\(1\), Sch. 6](#); S.R. 1996/216, [art. 2](#)
- F29** S. 7(1A)(f): words (which were inserted (E.W.) by [London Regional Transport Act 1984 \(c. 32, SIF 126\), s. 71\(3\)\(a\), Sch. 6 para. 6\(b\)](#)) repealed by virtue of [Transport Act 1985 \(c. 67, SIF 126\), Sch. 7 para. 13\(b\)](#), Sch. 8
- F30** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 3 para. 51\(1\)](#)

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C6** Power to modify s. 7(1)(b) conferred by [Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971 \(c. 80\), s. 2\(1\)\(f\)](#)

### Marginal Citations

- M9** 1968 c. 73.

## 7 Powers of the Post Office. **N.I.**

- (1) The Post Office shall have power—
- <sup>F392</sup>(a) to provide postal services (including cash on delivery services) and telepost services;
  - (b) to provide banking services and such other services by means of which money may be remitted (whether by means of money orders, postal orders or otherwise) as it thinks fit;



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- [<sup>F393</sup>(bb) to provide, in such parts of post offices as are open to the public (whether for the transaction of postal business or otherwise), such services provided by means of telecommunication systems as it thinks fit;]
- [<sup>F394</sup>(c) to perform any services for any public telecommunications operator or any subsidiary of any such operator;]
- (d) to perform services for Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom, Her Majesty’s Government in Northern Ireland or the government of a country or territory outside the United Kingdom;
- (e) to perform services for local authorities or national health service authorities][<sup>F395</sup> and
- (f) with the consent of, or in accordance with the terms of a general authorisation given by, the Secretary of State, to perform, in such parts of post offices as are open to the public for the transaction of postal business, such services for such bodies falling within subsection (1A) below as it thinks fit.]
- [<sup>F396</sup>(1AA) In subsection (1)(e) above, “local authority” includes a police authority established under [<sup>F397</sup>section 3 of the Police Act 1996 [<sup>F398</sup>, the Service Authority for the National Crime Intelligence Service and the Service Authority for the National Crime Squad]]]
- [<sup>F399</sup>(1A) The bodies referred to in subsection (1)(f) above are—
- (a) any body corporate—
- (i) which supplies goods or services by way of business;
- (ii) the affairs of which are managed by its members; and
- (iii) the members of which hold office as such by virtue of their appointment to that or another office by a Minister of the Crown under any enactment;
- (b) the London Transport Executive and any passenger transport executive established under section 9(1)(b) of the <sup>M219</sup>Transport Act 1968;
- (c) any statutory water undertaker within the meaning of the <sup>M220</sup>Water Act 1973;
- [<sup>F400</sup>(cc) a public electricity supplier (within the meaning of Part II of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992);]
- [<sup>F401</sup>(cd) a person holding a licence under Article 8(1)(c) of the Gas(northern Ireland) Order 1996;]
- (d) the British Broadcasting Corporation;
- (e) any body corporate with a statutory duty to promote and assist the maintenance and development of the efficient supply of any goods or services by a body falling within paragraphs (a) to (d) above; or
- (f) any wholly owned subsidiary of a body falling within paragraphs (a) to (e) above;
- but the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument exclude from this subsection such bodies or bodies of such descriptions as may be specified in the order.]
- (2) The Post Office shall have power, for the purpose of securing the effective exercise of any of the powers conferred on it by [<sup>F402</sup>subsection (1) above], or in connection with or in consequence of an exercise thereof, to do anything that appears to the Post Office to be requisite, advantageous or convenient for it to do, including in particular (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing words) power—
- (a) to construct, manufacture, produce, purchase, take on hire or hire-purchase, install, maintain and repair anything required for the purposes of its business or of the business of a subsidiary of its;

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- (b) to construct, manufacture, produce or purchase for supply to others any articles of a kind similar to any so required and to install, maintain, repair and test for others articles of such a kind;
- (c) to provide others with the services of persons employed by it for the purpose of undertaking for them tasks of a kind which, in the course of the provision or performance by it of any service falling within [<sup>F402</sup>subsection (1) above], are undertaken by persons so employed;
- (d) to provide, for the benefit of others, consultancy and advisory services concerning anything that it does in exercise of its powers or has power to do and facilities for the training of persons for any purpose connected with anything that it so does or has power to do;
- (e) to enter into and carry out agreements with any person for the carrying on by him, whether as its agent or otherwise, of any of the activities which itself may carry on or for the carrying on jointly by him and it of any of those activities;
- (f) to acquire land which is required by it for, or in connection with, the exercise of its powers or as to which it can reasonably be foreseen that it will be so required;
- (g) to dispose (whether absolutely or for a term of years) of any part of its undertaking or any property which in its opinion is not required by it for or in connection with the exercise of its powers, and, in particular, to dispose of an interest in, or right over, any property which, subject to the interest or right, is retained by it;
- (h) for the purposes of its business, to subscribe for or acquire any securities of an incorporated company or other body corporate, to procure its admission to membership of an incorporated company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital, to promote the formation of an incorporated company or participate in the promotion of such a company or to acquire an undertaking or part of an undertaking;
- (i) to give or lend money to, or give a guarantee for the benefit of, any person with whom it has entered into an agreement by virtue of paragraph (e) above for the purpose of enabling him to carry out the agreement and, for the purposes of its business, to give or lend money to, or give a guarantee for the benefit of, any other person for the purposes of an undertaking carried on by him or, where that person is a body corporate, an undertaking carried on by a subsidiary of its;
- (j) to do anything for the purpose of advancing the skill of persons employed by it or that of persons who, though not so employed, are engaging themselves, or have it in contemplation to engage themselves, in work of a kind in the case of which it has or may have a direct or indirect concern in the products thereof;
- (k) to promote (either by prosecuting it itself or by its promoting it by others) research into matters which affect, or arise out of, the carrying on of its business, or other matters which, though not such as aforesaid, are such as to which it appears to it that advantage will or may accrue to it as a consequence of research's being prosecuted into them;
- (l) to promote the doing of such work as is requisite to enable there to be turned to account—
  - (i) the results of research (whether promoted by it or not) into matters affecting, or arising out of, the carrying on of its business;
  - (ii) the results of research promoted by it into other matters;

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- (m) to provide assistance (including financial assistance) to any institution or body whose activities (or any of them) are such as, in its opinion, to be of benefit to it;
- (n) to carry for hire or reward passengers in vehicles used by it for the purposes of its business;
- (o) to enter into, and carry out, agreements with persons who carry on business as carriers of goods, for the carriage by it on their behalf of goods consigned to them for carriage by them;
- (p) to provide houses, hostels and other like accommodation for persons engaged in its business;
- (q) to make loans to persons employed by it (including, in particular, loans to assist them to acquire housing accommodation) and to guarantee loans made to persons so employed (including, in particular, loans made by building societies and other bodies for housing purposes);
- (r) to promote recreational activities for, and activities conducing to the welfare of, persons who are, or have been, engaged in its business or have been officers, servants or agents of the Postmaster General and the families of such persons and to assist the promotion by others of such activities;

and may turn its resources to account so far as not required for the purposes of its business.

- (3) For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that the foregoing provisions of this section relate only to the capacity of the Post Office as a statutory corporation, and nothing in those provisions shall be construed as authorising the disregard by it of any enactment or rule of law.
- (4) The Post Office shall not be regarded as a common carrier in respect of any of its activities.
- (5) The provisions of this section shall not be construed as limiting any power of the Post Office conferred by or under any subsequent provision of this Act.
- (6) Nothing in this section shall be taken to confine the exercise of the powers thereby conferred on the Post Office to the British Islands.

#### Textual Amendments

- F392** S. 7(1)(a)–(e) substituted for s. 7(1)(a)–(d) by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 58\(1\)](#)
- F393** S. 7(1)(bb) inserted by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\), ss. 99\(1\), 109](#)
- F394** S. 7(1)(c) substituted by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\), s. 109, Sch. 4 para. 50, Sch. 5 para. 45](#)
- F395** S. 7(1)(f) and word 'and' inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 58\(2\)](#)
- F396** S. 7(1AA) inserted (1.10.1994 for specified purposes, otherwise 1.4.1995) by 1994 c. 29, s. 43, [Sch. 4 Pt. II para. 49](#); S.I. 1994/2025, [art. 6\(1\)](#); S.I. 1994/3262, [art. 4](#)
- F397** Words in s. 7(1AA) substituted (22.8.1996) by 1996 c. 16, ss. 103, 104(1), [Sch. 7 Pt. I para. 1\(2\)\(f\)](#)
- F398** Words in s. 7(1AA) inserted (1.4.1998) by 1997 c. 50, s. 134(1), [Sch. 9 para. 19](#); S.I.1998/354, [art. 2](#)
- F399** S. 7(1A) inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 58\(3\)](#)
- F400** S. 7(1)(cc) inserted (1.4.1992) by S.I. 1992/231 (N.I. 1), [art. 95\(1\), Sch. 12 para. 7](#); S.R. 1992/117, [art. 3\(1\)](#)
- F401** S. 7(1A)(cd) inserted (10.6.1996) by S.I. 1996/275, [art. 71\(1\), Sch. 6](#); S.R. 1996/216, [art. 2](#)
- F402** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 3 para. 51\(1\)](#)

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C63** Power to modify s. 7(1)(b) conferred by [Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971 \(c. 80\), s. 2\(1\)\(f\)](#)

**Marginal Citations**

**M219** 1968 c. 73.

**M220** 1973 c. 37

**7 Powers of the Post Office. S**

(1) The Post Office shall have power—

- <sup>F403</sup>(a) to provide postal services (including cash on delivery services) and telepost services;
- (b) to provide banking services and such other services by means of which money may be remitted (whether by means of money orders, postal orders or otherwise) as it thinks fit;
- <sup>F404</sup>(bb) [ to provide, in such parts of post offices as are open to the public (whether for the transaction of postal business or otherwise), such services provided by means of telecommunication systems as it thinks fit;]
- <sup>F405</sup>(c) [ to perform any services for any public telecommunications operator or any subsidiary of any such operator;]
- (d) to perform services for Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom, Her Majesty’s Government in Northern Ireland or the government of a country or territory outside the United Kingdom;
- (e) to perform services for local authorities or national health service authorities]
- <sup>F406</sup>[ <sup>F407</sup>(ee) with the consent of, or in accordance with the terms of a general authorisation given by, the Secretary of State, to perform, in such parts of post offices as are open to the public for the transaction of postal business, such services for any operator of a public passenger transport service (within the meaning of the Transport Act 1985), or any subsidiary of such an operator, as it thinks fit, being services which are connected with the provision of public passenger transport services; and]
- (f) with the consent of, or in accordance with the terms of a general authorisation given by, the Secretary of State, to perform, in such parts of post offices as are open to the public for the transaction of postal business, such services for such bodies falling within subsection (1A) below as it thinks fit.]

<sup>F408</sup>(1AA) In subsection (1)(e) above, “local authority” includes a police authority established under <sup>F409</sup>section 3 of the Police Act 1996] <sup>F410</sup>, the Service Authority for the National Criminal Intelligence Service and the Service Authority for the National Crime Squad].]

<sup>F411</sup>(1A) The bodies referred to in subsection (1)(f) above are—

- (a) any body corporate—
  - (i) which supplies goods or services by way of business;
  - (ii) the affairs of which are managed by its members; and
  - (iii) the members of which hold office as such by virtue of their appointment to that or another office by a Minister of the Crown under any enactment;
- (b) the London Transport Executive and any passenger transport executive <sup>F412</sup>[ <sup>M221</sup>for the purposes of Part II] of the Transport Act 1968;

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- (c) any statutory water undertaker within the meaning of the <sup>M222</sup>Water Act 1973;
    - <sup>F413</sup>(ca) [ a <sup>F414</sup>gas supplier] (within the meaning of Part I of the Gas Act 1986);]
    - <sup>F415</sup>(cb) [ a public electricity supplier (within the meaning of Part I of the Electricity Act 1989);]
    - <sup>F416</sup>(cc) [ a public electricity supplier (within the meaning of Part II of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992);]
    - <sup>F417</sup>(cd) [ a person holding a licence under Article 8(1)(c) of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996;]
  - (d) the British Broadcasting Corporation;
  - (e) any body corporate with a statutory duty to promote and assist the maintenance and development of the efficient supply of any goods or services by a body falling within paragraphs (a) to (d) above; or
  - (f) any wholly owned subsidiary of a body falling within paragraphs (a) to (e) above;
- but the Secretary of State may by order made by statutory instrument exclude from this subsection such bodies or bodies of such descriptions as may be specified in the order.]
- (2) The Post Office shall have power, for the purpose of securing the effective exercise of any of the powers conferred on it by <sup>F418</sup>subsection (1) above], or in connection with or in consequence of an exercise thereof, to do anything that appears to the Post Office to be requisite, advantageous or convenient for it to do, including in particular (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing words) power—
- (a) to construct, manufacture, produce, purchase, take on hire or hire-purchase, install, maintain and repair anything required for the purposes of its business or of the business of a subsidiary of its;
  - (b) to construct, manufacture, produce or purchase for supply to others any articles of a kind similar to any so required and to install, maintain, repair and test for others articles of such a kind;
  - (c) to provide others with the services of persons employed by it for the purpose of undertaking for them tasks of a kind which, in the course of the provision or performance by it of any service falling within <sup>F418</sup>subsection (1) above], are undertaken by persons so employed;
  - (d) to provide, for the benefit of others, consultancy and advisory services concerning anything that it does in exercise of its powers or has power to do and facilities for the training of persons for any purpose connected with anything that it so does or has power to do;
  - (e) to enter into and carry out agreements with any person for the carrying on by him, whether as its agent or otherwise, of any of the activities which itself may carry on or for the carrying on jointly by him and it of any of those activities;
  - (f) to acquire land which is required by it for, or in connection with, the exercise of its powers or as to which it can reasonably be foreseen that it will be so required;
  - (g) to dispose (whether absolutely or for a term of years) of any part of its undertaking or any property which in its opinion is not required by it for or in connection with the exercise of its powers, and, in particular, to dispose of an interest in, or right over, any property which, subject to the interest or right, is retained by it;
  - (h) for the purposes of its business, to subscribe for or acquire any securities of an incorporated company or other body corporate, to procure its admission

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to membership of an incorporated company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital, to promote the formation of an incorporated company or participate in the promotion of such a company or to acquire an undertaking or part of an undertaking;

- (i) to give or lend money to, or give a guarantee for the benefit of, any person with whom it has entered into an agreement by virtue of paragraph (e) above for the purpose of enabling him to carry out the agreement and, for the purposes of its business, to give or lend money to, or give a guarantee for the benefit of, any other person for the purposes of an undertaking carried on by him or, where that person is a body corporate, an undertaking carried on by a subsidiary of its;
- (j) to do anything for the purpose of advancing the skill of persons employed by it or that of persons who, though not so employed, are engaging themselves, or have it in contemplation to engage themselves, in work of a kind in the case of which it has or may have a direct or indirect concern in the products thereof;
- (k) to promote (either by prosecuting it itself or by its promoting it by others) research into matters which affect, or arise out of, the carrying on of its business, or other matters which, though not such as aforesaid, are such as to which it appears to it that advantage will or may accrue to it as a consequence of research's being prosecuted into them;
- (l) to promote the doing of such work as is requisite to enable there to be turned to account—
  - (i) the results of research (whether promoted by it or not) into matters affecting, or arising out of, the carrying on of its business;
  - (ii) the results of research promoted by it into other matters;
- (m) to provide assistance (including financial assistance) to any institution or body whose activities (or any of them) are such as, in its opinion, to be of benefit to it;
- (n) to carry for hire or reward passengers in vehicles used by it for the purposes of its business;
- (o) to enter into, and carry out, agreements with persons who carry on business as carriers of goods, for the carriage by it on their behalf of goods consigned to them for carriage by them;
- (p) to provide houses, hostels and other like accommodation for persons engaged in its business;
- (q) to make loans to persons employed by it (including, in particular, loans to assist them to acquire housing accommodation) and to guarantee loans made to persons so employed (including, in particular, loans made by building societies and other bodies for housing purposes);
- (r) to promote recreational activities for, and activities conducing to the welfare of, persons who are, or have been, engaged in its business or have been officers, servants or agents of the Postmaster General and the families of such persons and to assist the promotion by others of such activities;

and may turn its resources to account so far as not required for the purposes of its business.

- (3) For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that the foregoing provisions of this section relate only to the capacity of the Post Office as a statutory corporation, and nothing in those provisions shall be construed as authorising the disregard by it of any enactment or rule of law.

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- (4) The Post Office shall not be regarded as a common carrier in respect of any of its activities.
- (5) The provisions of this section shall not be construed as limiting any power of the Post Office conferred by or under any subsequent provision of this Act.
- (6) Nothing in this section shall be taken to confine the exercise of the powers thereby conferred on the Post Office to the British Islands.

#### Textual Amendments

- F403** S. 7(1)(a)–(e) substituted for s. 7(1)(a)–(d) by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 58\(1\)](#)
- F404** S. 7(1)(bb) inserted by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\), ss. 99\(1\), 109](#)
- F405** S. 7(1)(c) substituted by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\), s. 109, Sch. 4 para. 50, Sch. 5 para. 45](#)
- F406** S. 7(1)(f) and word 'and' preceding it inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 58\(2\)](#)
- F407** S. 7(1)(ee) substituted (E.W.S.) for word “and” by [Transport Act 1985 \(c. 67, SIF 126\), Sch. 7 para. 13\(a\)](#)
- F408** S. 7(1AA) inserted (1.10.1994 for specified purposes; otherwise 1.4.1995) by 1994 c. 29, s. 43, [Sch. 4 Pt. II para. 49](#); S.I. 1994/2025, [art. 6\(1\)](#); S.I. 1994/3262, [art. 4](#)
- F409** Words in s. 7(1AA) substituted (22.8.1996) by 1996 c. 16, ss. 103, 104(1), [Sch. 7 Pt. I para. 1\(2\)\(f\)](#)
- F410** Words in s. 7(1AA) inserted (1.4.1998) by 1997 c. 50, s. 134(1), [Sch. 9 para. 19](#); S.I. 1998/354, [art. 2](#)
- F411** S. 7(1A) inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 58\(3\)](#)
- F412** Words in s. 7(1A)(b) substituted (E.W.S.) by [Transport Act 1985 \(c. 67, SIF 126\), s. 57\(6\), Sch. 3 para. 22](#)
- F413** S. 7(1A)(ca) inserted (E.W.S.) by [Gas Act 1986 \(c. 44, SIF 44:2\), s. 67\(1\)\(3\), Sch. 7 para. 10, Sch. 8 para. 33](#)
- F414** Words in s. 7(1A)(ca) substituted (1.3.1996) by 1995 c. 45, s. 16(1), [Sch. 4 para. 9](#); S.I. 1996/218, [art. 2](#)
- F415** S. 7(1A)(cb) inserted (E.W.S.) by [Electricity Act 1989 \(c. 29, SIF 44:1\), s. 112\(1\)\(3\), Sch. 16 para. 15, Sch. 17 paras. 33, 35\(1\)](#)
- F416** S. 7(1A)(cc) inserted (1.4.1992) by S.I. 1992/231 (N.I. 1), [art. 95\(1\), Sch. 12 para. 7](#); S.R. 1992/117, [art. 3\(1\)](#).
- F417** S. 7(1A)(cd) inserted (10.6.1996) by S.I. 1996/275, [art. 71\(1\), Sch. 6](#); S.R. 1996/216, [art. 2](#)
- F418** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 3 para. 51\(1\)](#)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C64** Power to modify s. 7(1)(b) conferred by [Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971 \(c. 80\), s. 2\(1\)\(f\)](#)

#### Marginal Citations

- M221** 1968 c. 73.  
**M222** 1973 c. 37

## 8 Furnishing of overseas aid by the Post Office.

The Post Office shall have power—

- (a) to furnish any authority or person outside the United Kingdom with assistance (whether financial, technical or of any other nature) if, in its opinion, the consequences of doing so will enure for its benefit;
- (b) <sup>F31</sup> .....

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#### Textual Amendments

**F31** [S. 8\(b\)](#) repealed by Overseas Development and Co-operation Act 1980 (c. 63), Sch. 2 Pt. I

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#### Textual Amendments

**F32** [Ss. 9, 11\(7\)](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. II](#)

### 10 Power to promote and oppose Bills, &c.

The Post Office may, with the consent of the Minister, promote, and may, without any such consent, oppose, Bills in Parliament, Bills in the Parliament of Northern Ireland and orders under the <sup>M10</sup>Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936.

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

**C7** Reference to Bills in the Parliament of Northern Ireland to be construed as including reference to proposed Measures in the Assembly: [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\)](#), [Sch. 5 para. 1\(3\)](#)

#### Marginal Citations

**M10** [1936 c. 52](#).

*Powers of the Minister of Posts and Telecommunications over the Post Office*

### 11 General ministerial control and supervision of the Post Office.

[<sup>F33</sup>(1) The Post Office shall give effect to any direction given to it by the Secretary of State under the provisions of this Part of this Act or Part II of the <sup>M11</sup>British Telecommunications Act 1981 and shall secure, so far as appropriate, that each of its wholly owned subsidiaries also gives effect to any such direction.

(1A) The Secretary of State may, after consultation with the Post Office, give to it such directions of a general character as to the exercise by it of its powers as appear to the Secretary of State to be requisite in the national interest.]

(2) If it appears to the Minister that there is a defect in the general plans or arrangements of the Post Office for exercising any of its powers, he may, after consultation with it, give it directions of a general character for remedying the defect.

(3) Without prejudice to the foregoing provisions of this section, if it appears to the Minister to be requisite or expedient so to do—

(a) in the interests of national security or relations with the government of a country or territory outside the British Islands; or

(b) in order—

(i) to discharge, or facilitate the discharge of, an obligation binding on Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom by virtue of its



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being a member of an international organisation or a party to an international agreement;

- (ii) to attain, or facilitate the attainment of, any other object the attainment of which is, in the Minister's opinion, requisite or expedient in view of Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom being a member of such an organisation or a party to such an agreement; or
- (iii) to enable Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom to become a member of such an organisation or a party to such an agreement;

he may, after consultation with the Post Office, give to it directions requiring it (according to the circumstances of the case) to secure that a particular thing that it or a subsidiary of its is doing is no longer done or that a particular thing that it has power to do, but is not being done either by it or by a subsidiary of its, is so done.

- (4) If it appears to the Minister that the Post Office [<sup>F34</sup>or any wholly owned subsidiary of its] is showing undue preference to, or is exercising undue discrimination against, any person or persons of any class or description in the charges or other terms and conditions applicable to services provided by it, being services which, by virtue of [<sup>F35</sup>the provisions of Part II of the said Act of 1981], it has the exclusive privilege of providing, he may, after consultation with the Post Office, give it such directions as appear to him requisite to secure that [<sup>F36</sup>the Post Office or subsidiary ceases so to do].
- [<sup>F37</sup>(5) The Secretary of State may, after consultation with the Post Office, direct the Post Office—
  - (a) to make a scheme under subsection (1) of section 60 of the said Act of 1981, or to exercise its powers under subsection (4) of that section, for such purposes and in such manner as may be specified in the direction; or
  - (b) to dispose of any part of its undertaking or any assets held by it or to exercise its control over any wholly owned subsidiary of its so as to cause the subsidiary to dispose of any part of its undertaking or any assets held by it;but the Secretary of State shall not give any direction under paragraph (b) above unless he is satisfied that he will not thereby impede or prevent the proper discharge of the Post Office's duty under section 59(1) of the said Act of 1981.
- (5A) The Secretary of State shall lay before each House of Parliament a copy of every direction given under subsection (5) above unless he is of opinion that disclosure of the direction is against—
  - (a) the interests of national security; or
  - (b) the commercial interests of any person.]
  - (6) The Post Office shall not disclose any [<sup>F38</sup>direction] given to it under any of the foregoing provisions of this section if the Minister notifies it that he is of opinion that [<sup>F39</sup>disclosure of the direction is against—
    - (i) the interests of national security; or
    - (ii) the commercial interests of a person other than the Post Office and its wholly owned subsidiaries]
  - (7)
  - [<sup>F40</sup>(8) The Post Office, in carrying out any such work of development as involves substantial outlay on capital account and, if it has subsidiaries, in securing the carrying out by them of any such work, shall act in accordance with a general programme settled from time to time with the approval of the Minister.

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- [<sup>F41</sup>(9) The Post Office, in such manner and at such times as the Secretary of State may specify in writing to it, shall furnish him with such information—
- (a) as he may so specify, and
  - (b) as the Post Office has or can reasonably be expected to obtain,
- with respect to such matters relating to the Post Office or its subsidiaries or the activities (past, present or future), plans or properties of any of them as the Secretary of State may so specify.]
- (10) Without prejudice to the provisions of the last foregoing subsection, the Post Office shall, as soon as possible after the end of each accounting year, make to the Minister a report on the exercise and [<sup>F42</sup>performance by it and its subsidiaries of its and their functions] during that year (which shall include such particulars as the Minister may, after consultation with the Post Office and with the approval of the Treasury, direct with respect to its activities and those of its subsidiaries so far as consisting in the construction, manufacture or production of articles in that year), and the Minister shall lay a copy of every such report before each House of Parliament.
- (11) The report made under the last foregoing subsection for any year shall set out any directions given under this [<sup>F43</sup>Part of this Act or Part II of the said Act of 1981] by the Minister to the Post Office during that year, except such (if any) as were the subject of notifications under [<sup>F44</sup>subsection (6)(a) above].

#### Textual Amendments

- F33** S. 11(1)(1A) substituted for s. 11(1) by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 62\(1\)](#)
- F34** Words inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 62\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- F35** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 62\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- F36** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 62\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- F37** S. 11(5)(5A) substituted for s. 11(5) by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 62\(3\)](#)
- F38** Word substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 62\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- F39** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 62\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- F40** Ss. 9, 11(7) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 6 Pt. II](#)
- F41** S. 11(9) substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 62\(6\)](#)
- F42** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 62\(7\)](#)
- F43** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 62\(8\)\(a\)](#)
- F44** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 62\(8\)\(b\)](#)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C8** S. 11(11) applied (22.3.2001) by [S.I. 2001/1148, art. 8\(1\)](#) (with [art. 34](#))

#### Marginal Citations

- M11** [1981 c. 38](#)

## 12 Power of the Minister to direct the Post Office to do work for government departments and local authorities.

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, the Minister may, after consultation with the Post Office, give to it a direction that it shall do, for Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom or Her Majesty's Government in Northern Ireland, work of such a description as may be specified in the direction, being work consisting in the effecting

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of transactions in normal business hours in such parts of post offices as are open to the public during those hours for the transaction of postal business.

- (2) Subject to the provisions of this section, the Minister may, after consultation with the Post Office, give to it a direction that it shall, in normal business hours, issue, on behalf of a local authority in Great Britain specified in the direction, licences of the following kinds (or of such of them as may be so specified) namely:—

- [<sup>F45</sup>(a) dog licences;]  
(b) licences for dealing in game; and  
(c) licences for killing game;

but so that no direction be given under this subsection with reference to a local authority except at its request.

- (3)

- <sup>F46</sup>(4) The Post Office shall comply with a direction given to it under subsection (1), [<sup>F47</sup>or (2)] above.

- (5) In the event of a dispute's arising as to the places at which, days on which or periods during which work is to be done in compliance with a direction given under subsection (1) above or licences are to be issued in compliance with a direction given under subsection (2) <sup>F48</sup> above, it shall be determined by the Minister.

- (6) The Minister shall not give a direction under subsection (1), [<sup>F47</sup>or (2)] above or proceed to a determination under the last foregoing subsection except after taking into consideration the administrative arrangements of the Post Office for the time being in force and the facilities available to it for the time being for doing the work in question or, as the case may be, issuing the licences in question and for exercising and performing its other functions.

- (7) In consideration of its complying with a direction given under subsection (1) above, the Post Office shall be entitled to receive payment from the Crown (of an amount to be determined, in the event of a dispute's arising as to the amount thereof, by the Minister), and the direction may include provision as to the person by whom the payment is to be made and the manner in which it is to be defrayed.

- (8) In consideration of its complying with a direction given under subsection (2) above with reference to a local authority in Scotland, the Post Office shall be entitled to receive payment from that authority (of an amount to be determined, in the event of a dispute's arising as to the amount thereof, by the Minister).

- (9)

- <sup>F46</sup>(10)<sup>F49</sup>

#### Textual Amendments

**F45** S. 12(2)(a) repealed (E.W.S.) by Local Government Act 1988 (c. 9, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 41, **Sch. 7 Pt. IV**

**F46** S. 12(3)(9) repealed by S.I. 1973/2095, **Sch. 2**

**F47** Words substituted by S.I. 1973/2095, **Sch. 1 para. 6**

**F48** Words repealed by S.I. 1973/2095, **Sch. 2**

**F49** S. 12(10) repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F50** S. 13 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. II](#)

*The Post Office Users' Councils*

**14 The Post Office Users' Councils.**

- (1) There shall be established, in accordance with the provisions of this section,—
- (a) a users' council for the British Islands, to be called “the Post Office Users' National Council”; and
  - (b) a users' council for Scotland, to be called “the Post Office Users' Council for Scotland”, [<sup>F51</sup>a users' council for Wales, to be called “the Post Office Users' Council for Wales”] and a users' council for Northern Ireland, to be called “the Post Office Users' Council for Northern Ireland”;
- and the Post Office Users' National Council is hereafter in this section referred to as “the National Council” and the councils mentioned in paragraph (b) above are so referred to as “Country Councils”.
- (2) The National Council shall consist of—
- (a) a chairman appointed by the Minister;
  - (b) the chairmen of the Country Councils;
  - (c) such other members, not exceeding twenty-six, as the Minister may appoint after consultation with such bodies as appear to him to be representative of the interests of persons likely to be concerned with matters within the competence of the Council;
  - (d) such other members, not exceeding three, as the Minister may appoint without any such consultation;
- and, in appointing members in pursuance of paragraph (c) above, the Minister shall have regard to the desirability of having members who are familiar with the special requirements and circumstances of particular parts of the British Islands.
- (3) Each of the Country Councils shall consist of a chairman appointed by the Minister and such other members, not exceeding twenty-four, as the Minister may appoint after consultation with the chairman and such bodies in the part of the United Kingdom for which the Council is to be or is established as appear to him to be representative of the interests of persons likely to be concerned with matters within the competence of the Council.
- (4) A person appointed to be a member of a council established under this section shall hold and vacate office in accordance with the terms of his appointment; but, notwithstanding anything in those terms, he may at any time resign his office by notice in writing to the Minister.
- (5) A person who has held office as a member of a council established under this section shall be eligible for reappointment.

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- (6) The Minister and the Post Office may each refer to the National Council, for consideration and report, any matter relating to the services provided by the Post Office.
- (7) In the case of each of the Country Councils, the Minister and the Post Office may each refer to it for consideration and report a matter relating to services provided by the Post Office that affects persons in the part of the United Kingdom for which the Council is established (being persons for whom those services are provided), but does not affect others, but neither shall refer to it any other matter.
- (8) It shall be the duty of each of the Country Councils—
- (a) to consider—
    - (i) any matter relating to the services provided by the Post Office in the part of the United Kingdom for which the Council is established which is the subject of a representation (other than one appearing to the Council to be frivolous) made to the Council by, or on behalf of, a user in that part of the United Kingdom of those services; and
    - (ii) any matter relating to the services so provided in that part of the United Kingdom which appears to the Council to be one to which consideration ought to be given by it notwithstanding that no representation has been made to it with respect to it;and, if it is of opinion that action ought to be taken with respect to any such matter, to give to the Minister, the Post Office and the National Council notice of that fact (stating whether or not the matter was the subject of a representation made to the Council) and of the action which the Council thinks ought to be taken;
  - (b) to consider any matter which is referred to it under the last foregoing subsection and to report thereon to the Minister and the Post Office.
- (9) It shall be the duty of the National Council—
- (a) to consider—
    - (i) any matter relating to the services provided by the Post Office in the British Islands which is the subject of a representation (other than one appearing to the Council to be frivolous) made to the Council by or on behalf of a user of the services so provided in those Islands; and
    - (ii) any matter relating to the services so provided in those Islands which appears to the Council to be one to which consideration ought to be given by it notwithstanding that no representation has been made to it with respect to it;and, if it is of opinion that action ought to be taken with respect to any such matter, to give to the Minister and the Post Office notice of that fact (stating whether or not the matter was the subject of a representation made to the Council) and of the action which the Council thinks ought to be taken;
  - (b) to consider the subject-matter of a notice given to it in pursuance of subsection (8)(a) above by a Country Council and to transmit to the Minister, the Post Office and that Council its observations thereon;
  - (c) to consider any matter referred to it under subsection (6) above and to report thereon to the Minister and the Post Office.
- (10) Where it falls to the National Council to consider a matter that affects persons in a part of the United Kingdom for which one of the Country Councils is established, being

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persons for whom services are provided by the Post Office, but does not affect persons elsewhere for whom services are so provided, it shall be the duty of the National Council to consult with that Country Council with respect to that matter.

- (11) Every council established under this section shall meet when convened by the chairman thereof, but not less frequently than twice a year; and, without prejudice to the discretion of the chairman to call a meeting whenever he thinks fit, he shall call a meeting when required to do so by any three members of the council.
- (12) Minutes shall be kept of the proceedings at each meeting of each of the councils established under this section but, subject to that, each of those councils may determine its own quorum and procedure.
- (13) It shall be the duty of each of the Country Councils to comply with a requisition made on it by the National Council for a copy of the minutes of a specified meeting of the Council.
- (14) Each of the councils established under this section shall, as respects each accounting year, make to the Minister a report on the exercise and performance by the council of its functions during that year and the Minister shall lay a copy of each such report before each House of Parliament.
- (15) Each of the councils established under this section shall be furnished by the Minister with such officers and staff as appear to him to be requisite for the proper discharge of its functions, and with such office accommodation and equipment, and such services, as appear to him to be so requisite.
- (16) The Minister may pay such allowances and remuneration to the chairman of the National Council and the officers and staff of any of the councils established under this section as he may determine and such allowances to the members of any of those councils (other than the chairman of the National Council) as he may determine; and may pay such expenses of any of those councils as he may determine.
- (17) The Minister may pay such allowances as he may determine to members of any body recognised by him, after consultation with the National Council, to be assisting the Council to ascertain the opinion of users of services provided by the Post Office in any part of the British Islands, and may pay such expenses of a body so recognised as he may determine; but he shall not recognise a body to be assisting the National Council to ascertain the opinion of users of services so provided in any part of the United Kingdom for which one of the Country Councils is established except after consultation with that Council.
- (18)
- <sup>F52</sup>(19) The approval [<sup>F53</sup>the Treasury] shall be requisite as regards the number of persons to be furnished under subsection (15) above and to a determination under subsection (16) or (17) above by the Minister relating to allowances or remuneration, and the approval of the Treasury shall be requisite to a determination under either of the last-mentioned subsections by the Minister relating to the expenses of a body.
- (20)<sup>F54</sup>

#### Textual Amendments

**F51** Words substituted by [S.I. 1974/595, art. 3\(14\)](#)

**F52** [S. 14\(18\)](#) repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38, Sch. 6 Pt. I)

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- F53** Words substituted by virtue of S.I. 1981/1670, **arts. 2(1)(a), 3(5)**  
**F54** S. 14(20) repealed by House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 24), **Sch. 3**

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C9** Ss. 14, 15 restricted by S.I. 1983/85, **art. 2(1)**  
**C10** S. 14 amended by Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970 (c. 44), **s. 14** and S.I. 1972/1816, **art. 4**  
**C11** Power to restrict s. 14 conferred by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), **s. 65(1)**

**15 Duty of the Post Office to consult the Post Office Users' National Council about certain proposals.**

- (1) Before the Post Office so puts into effect any major proposals relating to any of its main services as to affect the persons for whom they are provided, it shall be incumbent on it, subject to the next following subsection, to refer the proposals to, and consult thereon with, the Post Office Users' National Council.
- (2) The foregoing subsection shall not apply to proposals containing no matter other than such as is requisite to comply with a direction given by the Minister under section 11(3) or (4) or 12 of this Act or matter ancillary to matter such as is so requisite.
- (3) Any question arising whether or not any proposals are major proposals or relate to a main service shall be referred to the Minister, whose decision shall be final.
- (4) The validity of any action taken by the Post Office shall not be impugned on the ground that it was taken otherwise than in pursuance of proposals that had been the subject of a reference under subsection (1) above, but ought not to have been so taken.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C12** Ss. 14, 15 restricted by S.I. 1983/85, **art. 2(1)**  
**C13** Power to restrict s. 15 conferred by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), **s. 65(1)**

*General Provisions as to Transfer to the Post Office of  
Property, Rights and Liabilities of the Postmaster General*

**16 Vesting in the Post Office of property, rights and liabilities generally.**

- (1) On the appointed day, there shall vest by virtue of this section in the Post Office—
  - (a) all property which, immediately before that day, is vested in the Postmaster General and held in trust for Her Majesty;
  - (b) all works and apparatus belonging to the Postmaster General to which the enactments relating to telegraphs apply;
  - (c) the portions of the tube laid by the Pneumatic Despatch Company, Limited, that are vested in the Postmaster General under the <sup>M12</sup>Post Office (Pneumatic Tubes Acquisition) Act 1922;
  - (d) all estates and interests in land in the Channel Islands which, immediately before that day, are vested in Her Majesty, being estates and interests in land then occupied or used, in whole or in part, by the Postmaster General or (for, or in connection with, the exercise and performance of any of the Postmaster General's functions) by an officer or servant of the Crown;

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- (e) all property which, immediately before that day, is vested in the Crown and used, or appropriated for use, for, or in connection with, the exercise and performance of any of the Postmaster General's functions (being neither land nor property falling within paragraph (b) or (c) above);
  - (f) all interests of the Minister of Public Building and Works in the land delineated (and coloured blue) on the plans deposited in connection with the Bill for this Act with that Minister and authenticated by the signature of the Postmaster General (being land in the City of Edinburgh which, though held by that Minister, is occupied by the Postmaster General);
  - (g) all rights and liabilities enjoyed by, or incumbent on, the Crown immediately before that day with reference to the functions of the Postmaster General (including, in particular, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing words, all rights so enjoyed, and liabilities so incumbent, that subsist by virtue of a contract entered into by the Minister of Public Building and Works on behalf of the Crown for the erection or execution of buildings or works on land in whose case an estate or interest therein vests in the Post Office by virtue of paragraph (a) above, not being land which, immediately before that day, is the subject of an agreement to which the parties are the Postmaster General, the Minister of Public Building and Works and the Post Office for the conveyance, assignment or transfer by the Post Office to that Minister of the estate or interest that so vests).
- (2) The following shall be excepted from the operation of the foregoing subsection, namely,—
- (a) chattels or corporeal moveables used, or appropriated for use, exclusively for, or in connection with, the exercise and performance by the Postmaster General of his functions under the <sup>M13</sup>Government Annuities Act 1929, the Post Office Savings Bank Acts 1954 and 1966, the <sup>M14</sup>National Debt Act 1958 or the <sup>M15</sup>National Loans Act 1968, not being telegraphic apparatus;
  - (b) records within the meaning of the <sup>M16</sup>Public Records Act 1958;
  - (c) copyright (other than copyright in registered designs);
  - (d) property for whose vesting in the Post Office or the Minister of Public Building and Works provision is made by the following provisions of this Act;
  - (e) rights and liabilities for whose vesting in the Post Office provision is so made;
  - (f) rights and liabilities enjoyed by, or incumbent on, the Crown referable solely to the exercise and performance by the Postmaster General of his functions under the Wireless Telegraphy Acts 1949 to 1967 (other than rights and liabilities that subsist by virtue of a contract for the supply of chattels or corporeal moveables or by virtue of such a contract to which the Minister of Public Building and Works is a party as falls within subsection (1)(g) above);
  - (g) rights and liabilities enjoyed by, or incumbent on, the Crown referable solely to the exercise and performance by the Postmaster General of his functions under the <sup>M17</sup>Government Annuities Act 1929, the Post Office Savings Bank Acts 1954 and 1966, the <sup>M18</sup>National Debt Act 1958 or the <sup>M19</sup>National Loans Act 1968 (other than rights and liabilities that subsist by virtue of such a contract to which the Minister of Public Building and Works is a party as falls within subsection (1)(g) above);
  - (h) rights and liabilities that subsist by virtue of section 46 of the <sup>M20</sup>Patents Act 1949 or paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the <sup>M21</sup>Registered Designs Act 1949 (Crown use of patented inventions and registered designs);



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- (i) rights and liabilities that subsist by virtue of a contract entered into by the Controller of Her Majesty’s Stationery Office on behalf of the Crown; and
- (j) rights and liabilities that subsist under such a contract entered into on behalf of the Crown as falls within subsection (1) of section 18 of this Act (it being assumed that subsection (2) thereof had been omitted).

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C14** Functions of Minister of Public Buildings and Works now exercisable by Secretary of State: [S.I. 1970/1681](#), [arts. 2, 3](#)

**Marginal Citations**

- M12** 1922 c. 43.
- M13** 1929 c. 29.
- M14** 1958 c. 6.
- M15** 1968 c. 13.
- M16** 1958 c. 51.
- M17** 1929 c. 29.
- M18** 1958 c. 6.
- M19** 1968 c. 13.
- M20** 1949 c. 87.
- M21** 1949 c. 88.

17 ..... <sup>F55</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F55** Ss. 17, 19 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

**18 Vesting in the Post Office of rights and liabilities under certain contracts conferring on the Crown incidental rights as to patents, &c.**

- (1) Where a contract entered into on behalf of the Crown by the Postmaster General contains provision conferring on the Crown (otherwise than by reference to the office of master of the Post Office and incidentally only to other matters with which the contract is principally concerned) rights in respect of a patent, invention or registered design, the rights of the Crown subsisting by virtue of the contract (other than such as subsist by virtue of that provision) and the liabilities of the Crown so subsisting (other than such, if any, as relate to payment in respect of an exercise of rights that so subsist) shall, on the appointed day, vest in the Post Office by virtue of this section but the Post Office shall—
  - (a) enjoy, concurrently with the Crown and subject to the like liability (if any) as is incumbent on the Crown to make payment in respect of an exercise thereof, the Crown’s rights under the contract that so subsist and
  - (b) be liable to satisfy any unsatisfied liability of the Crown to make payment in respect of an exercise by the Postmaster General, on behalf of the Crown, of those rights.

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- (2) In so far as a contract provides for the terms upon which use of an invention may be made by virtue of section 46 of the <sup>M22</sup>Patents Act 1949 for the manufacture of articles by the department of the Postmaster General or the manufacture and supply to that department of articles by a person authorised by it or provides for the terms upon which use of a registered design may be made by virtue of paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the <sup>M23</sup>Registered Designs Act 1949 for either of these purposes, it shall be excepted from the operation of the foregoing subsection.

#### Marginal Citations

**M22** 1949 c. 87.

**M23** 1949 c. 88.

19 ..... <sup>F56</sup>

#### Textual Amendments

**F56** Ss. 17, 19 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

*Transfer to the Post Office of the Postmaster General's statutory Rights and Liabilities as to Mails and Telegraphs and of Rights and Liabilities, &c., of his under certain Acts authorising the Acquisition of Land or the Execution of Works*

## 20 Rights and liabilities as to conveyance of mails.

- (1) On the appointed day—
- (a) the right which, by virtue of subsection (1) of section 29 of the <sup>M24</sup>Post Office Act 1953 (hereafter in this section referred to as the “principal Act”), the Postmaster General enjoys immediately before that day to require a person by whom a ship is owned or worked to carry parcels in the ship and the countervailing obligation which, by virtue of subsection (2) of that section, is, immediately before that day, incumbent on him to pay remuneration of services rendered under that section shall become those of the Post Office;
  - <sup>F57</sup>(b) the rights which, by virtue of sections 33, 34, 36(1) and 42 of the principal Act (which contain provisions enabling him to compel railway undertakers to undertake the conveyance of mail-bags by train and by ships which are owned or worked by them or in the case of which they are parties to arrangements for the use, maintenance or working thereof) he enjoys immediately before that day and the countervailing obligations with respect to payment of remuneration for services performed which, immediately before that day, are, by virtue of sections 35 and 36(2) of the principal Act, incumbent on him shall become those of the Post Office;]
  - (c) the right which, by virtue of section 44(1)(b) and (c) of the principal Act, he enjoys immediately before that day to require the British Railways Board and certain other bodies which provide transport services to perform (subject to the restrictions imposed by section 45 of the principal Act) reasonable services with regard to the conveyance of mail-bags and the countervailing obligation which, by virtue of section 44(2) of the principal Act, is, immediately before

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that day, incumbent on him to pay remuneration for services performed shall become those of the Post Office; and

[<sup>F57</sup>(d) the obligation to him which, by virtue of subsection (1) of section 38 of the principal Act, is, immediately before that day, incumbent on railway undertakers to perform services with respect to the conveyance of mail-bags and the other matters mentioned in that subsection and the right which, by virtue of subsection (2) of that section, they enjoy, immediately before that day, to receive from him remuneration for services performed shall respectively become an obligation to the Post Office and a right against it.]

(2) Accordingly, as from the appointed day,—

(a) sections 29, [<sup>F58</sup>33 to 36, 38], 44 and 45 of the principal Act shall have effect as if, for references to the Postmaster General, there were substituted references to the Post Office, [<sup>F59</sup>and]

[<sup>F59</sup>(b) sections 39, 40 and 41 of that Act (which respectively prohibit railway undertakers from making byelaws, &c., which militate against the provisions of that Act relating to the conveyance of mails by railway, provide for the manner in which notices may be served under that Act on railway undertakers and penalize certain refusals and neglects by such undertakers in the matter of the conveyance of mails by railway) shall have similar effect.]

#### Textual Amendments

**F57** S. 20(1)(b)(d) repealed (1.4.1994) by 1993 c. 43, ss. 152(3), **Sch. 14**; S.I. 1994/571, **art. 5**

**F58** Words in s. 20(2)(a) repealed (1.4.1994) by 1993 c. 43, **ss. 152**(3, Sch.14; S.I. 1994/571, **art. 5**

**F59** S. 20(2)(b) and preceding word repealed (1.4.1994) by 1993 c. 43, ss. 152(3), **Sch.14**; S.I. 1994/571, **art. 5**

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

**C15** The text of ss. 20(2), 22(3) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

#### Marginal Citations

**M24** 1953 c. 36.

21 ..... <sup>F60</sup>

#### Textual Amendments

**F60** S. 21 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

## 22 Rights and liabilities, &c., arising out of Acts authorising the acquisition of land or the execution of works.

(1) Any provision of the Sites Acts, the <sup>M25</sup>Post Office Extension Act 1865, the <sup>M26</sup>Manchester Post Office Act 1876, the <sup>M27</sup>Post Office (London) Railway Act 1913, the <sup>M28</sup>Post Office (Site and Railway) Act 1954, the <sup>M29</sup>Post Office Works Act 1959 or the <sup>M30</sup>Post Office Subway Act 1966 which is in force immediately before the

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appointed day and contains references to the Postmaster General shall, so far as necessary for preserving its effect on and after that day, have effect as from that day as if those references were references to the Post Office.

- (2) As from the appointed day, any rights or powers vested in, or exercisable by, the Post Office under the enactments relating to telegraphs in respect of works of any kind whatsoever executed under those enactments shall extend to, and may be exercised by it in respect of, the portions of the tube constructed by the Pneumatic Despatch Company, Limited, that vest in the Post Office by virtue of section 16 of this Act.
- (3) Section 20 of the <sup>M31</sup>Bristol Cattle Market Act 1930 (which empowers the Postmaster General, amongst others, to enter into and carry out agreements with reference to any of the matters referred to in that Act or the agreements mentioned in that section) shall, as from the appointed day, have effect with the substitution, for the reference to the Postmaster General, of a reference to the Post Office.
- (4) Section 16 of the <sup>M32</sup>City of London (Various Powers) Act 1950 (which provides for the continuance of the making, by the Postmaster General, the Mayor and commonalty and citizens of the city of London acting by the common council and the Mercers' Company of certain periodic payments to the incumbents and clerks of certain benefices in the city, being payments originally required to be made under enactments repealed by that Act) shall, as from the appointed day, have effect as if, in Schedule 1 to that Act, for references to the Postmaster General, there were substituted references to the Post Office; and the rights of indemnity in favour of the Postmaster General that are saved by the proviso to section 18 of that Act shall, as from that day, enure for the benefit of the Post Office and the charges on property to secure the payment of money payable to the Postmaster General in respect of indemnities so saved which are themselves also saved by that proviso shall, as from that day, have effect accordingly.
- (5) The reference in subsection (1) above to the Sites Acts is a reference to the Acts passed during the years 1885 to 1938 (both inclusive) the short title of each of which consists of the words "The Post Office (Sites) Act" followed by the year in which it was passed.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C16** The text of ss. 20(2), 22(3) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

**M25** 1865 c. 87.  
**M26** 1876 c. iii.  
**M27** 1913 c. cxvi.  
**M28** 1954 c. xxix.  
**M29** 1959 c. 43.  
**M30** 1966 c. 25.  
**M31** 1930 c. clxxix.  
**M32** 1950 c. v.

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## Textual Amendments

**F61** Ss. 23–27 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. II](#)

### *Charges and other Terms and Conditions applicable to Services*

## **28 Schemes for determining charges and other terms and conditions applicable to services.**

- (1) The Post Office [<sup>F62</sup>shall] make, as respects <sup>F63</sup>. . . the services provided by it, a scheme for determining [<sup>F64</sup>each] of the following, namely,—
- (a) the charges which (save in so far as they are the subject of an agreement between it and a person availing himself of those services) are to be made by it; and
  - (b) the other terms and conditions which (save as aforesaid) are to be applicable to those services;

[<sup>F65F65</sup>and

<sup>F65</sup>(c) procedures for dealing with users' complaints;]

but so that [<sup>F66</sup>except as provided by section 30(3) of this Act] no provision be included in any such scheme for limiting liability of the Post Office for loss or damage or for amending the rules of law with respect to evidence.

- (2) A scheme made under this section may, as respects the services to which it relates, adopt such system for the determination of the charges or other terms and conditions or (as the case may be) the charges and other terms and conditions that are to be applicable as may appear desirable and, in particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing words, may, in all or any cases, leave the determination thereof to the Post Office subject to such (if any) conditions and limitations as may be provided for in the scheme.
- (3) A scheme made under this section may, as respects the services to which it relates, specify the manner in which, time at which and person by whom the charges that are to be applicable are to be paid.
- (4) A scheme made under this section may make different provision for different cases or classes of cases determined by, or in accordance with, the provisions of the scheme.
- (5) A charge exigible by virtue of this section may be recovered by the Post Office in any court of competent jurisdiction as if it were a simple contract debt.
- (6) A scheme made under this section may revoke or amend any previous scheme so made.
- (7) A scheme made under this section shall come into operation on such day as is specified therein, not being earlier than the day after that on which publication of the scheme in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes has been effected; and conclusive evidence of a scheme so made may be given, in all courts of justice and in all legal proceedings whatsoever, by the production of a copy of any of those Gazettes purporting to contain it.
- (8) In the application of subsection (5) above to Scotland, the words “as if it were a simple contract debt” shall be omitted.

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#### Textual Amendments

- F62** Word in s. 28(1) substituted (1.9.1999) by S.I. 1999/2107, **reg. 6(a)**  
**F63** Word in s. 28(1) omitted (1.9.1999) by virtue of S.I. 1999/2107, **reg. 6(b)**  
**F64** Words in s. 28(1) substituted (1.9.1999) by S.I. 1999/2107, **reg. 6(c)**  
**F65** S. 28(1)(c) and word “and” immediately preceding it inserted (1.9.1999) by S.I. 1999/2107, **reg. 6(d)**  
**F66** Words inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 70\(6\)](#)

### *Limitation of Liability*

## 29 Exclusion of liability of the Post Office its officers and servants, in relation to posts and telecommunications.

- (1) Save as provided by the next following section, no proceedings in tort shall lie against the Post Office in respect of any loss or damage suffered by any person by reason of—
- (a) anything done or omitted to be done in relation to anything in the post or omission to carry out arrangements for the collection of anything to be conveyed by post;
  - (b) <sup>F67</sup> .....
  - (c) .....
  - <sup>F68</sup>(d) <sup>F67</sup> .....
- (2) No officer or servant of the Post Office or person who, not being such an officer or servant, is a sub-postmaster <sup>F69</sup> shall be subject, except at the suit of the Post Office, to any civil liability for any loss or damage in the case of which liability of the Post Office therefor is excluded by the foregoing subsection [<sup>F70</sup>or any loss of, or damage to, a packet to which the next following section applies].
- (3) No person engaged in or about the carriage of mail and no officer, servant, agent or sub-contractor of such person shall be subject except at the suit of the Post Office to any civil liability for any loss or damage in the case of which liability of the Post Office therefor is excluded by subsection (1) of this section [<sup>F70</sup>or any loss of, or damage to, a packet to which the next following section applies].
- (4) In the application of subsection (1) above to Scotland, the reference to proceedings in tort shall be construed in the same way as in section 43(b) of the <sup>M33</sup>Crown Proceedings Act 1947.

#### Textual Amendments

- F67** S. 29(1)(b)(d) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 6 Pt. II](#)  
**F68** S. 29(1)(c) repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\), ss. 99\(2\), 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I](#)  
**F69** Words repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 6 Pt. II](#)  
**F70** Words inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 70\(7\)](#)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C17** S. 29 applied (with modifications) (22.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1148, **art. 9** (with **art. 34**)

#### Marginal Citations

- M33** 1947 c. 44.

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### **30 The Post Office to be subject to limited liability in respect of registered inland packets.**

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, proceedings shall lie against the Post Office under this section, but not otherwise, in respect of loss of, or damage to, a [<sup>F71</sup>packet to which this section applies] in so far as the loss or damage is due to any wrongful act done or any neglect or default committed by an officer, servant or agent of the Post Office while performing or purporting to perform his functions as such in relation to the receipt, carriage, delivery or other dealing with the packet; but no proceedings shall lie under this section in relation to a packet unless begun within the period of twelve months beginning with the day on which the packet was posted.
- (2) For the purposes of any proceedings under this section in relation to a packet it shall be presumed, until the contrary is shown, that loss of, or damage to, the packet was due to a wrongful act done, or neglect or default committed by, an officer, servant or agent of the Post Office while performing or purporting to perform such functions of his as aforesaid.
- [<sup>F72</sup>(3) The amount recoverable in any proceedings under this section in relation to a packet of any description shall not exceed—
  - (a) the market value of the packet at the time when the cause of action arises; or
  - (b) the maximum amount payable under a scheme made under section 28 of this Act for compensating the person aggrieved in respect of a packet of that description;and for the purposes of paragraph (a) above the market value of a packet shall not include the market value of any message or information which it bears or the market value of any item which, in relation to packets of that description, is excluded from the operation of this section by a scheme made under section 28 of this Act.]
- (4) The Post Office shall not be liable under this section in respect of a packet [<sup>F73</sup>of any description] unless any such conditions as are required by a scheme under section 28 of this Act to be complied with in relation to [<sup>F74</sup>packets of that description at the time when they are posted] have been complied with in the case of the packet.
- (5) No relief shall be available under this section in relation to a packet except upon a claim by the sender or the addressee of the packet; and the sender or addressee of the packet shall be entitled to claim any relief available under this section in respect of the packet, whether or not he is the person damnified by the injury complained of, and to give a good discharge in respect of all claims in respect of the packet under this section: but where the court is satisfied, upon an application by a person who is not the sender or addressee of the packet, that the sender and the addressee are unable or unwilling to enforce their remedies in respect of the packet under this section, the court may, upon such terms as to security, caution, costs, expenses and otherwise as the court thinks just, allow that other person to bring proceedings under this section in the name of the sender or the addressee of the packet.
- (6) Where, by virtue of the last foregoing subsection, a person recovers any money or property which, apart from that subsection, would have been recoverable by some other person, the money or property so recovered shall be held on trust for that other person.
- [<sup>F75</sup>(6A) For the purposes of this section a scheme made under section 28 of this Act may define a description of packet by reference to any circumstances whatever, including in particular the amount of any fee paid in respect of the packet in pursuance of the scheme.]

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(7) In this section—

“agent” includes an independent contractor;

[<sup>F76</sup>“inland packet” means anything which is posted in the United Kingdom for delivery at a place in the United Kingdom to the person to whom it is addressed;]

[<sup>F77</sup>“packet to which this section applies” means any inland packet in respect of which, in pursuance of a scheme made under section 28 of this Act, the Post Office accepts liability under this section;]

“sender”, in relation to a packet, has such meaning as may be assigned to it by any provision of a scheme made under section 28 of this Act, being a provision relating to [<sup>F78</sup>packets to which this section applies];

and any reference in this section to the sender or addressee of a packet includes a reference to his personal representatives.

#### Textual Amendments

- F71** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 70\(1\)](#)  
**F72** [S. 30\(3\)](#) substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 70\(2\)](#)  
**F73** Words inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 70\(3\)](#)  
**F74** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 70\(3\)](#)  
**F75** [S 30\(6A\)](#) inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 70\(4\)](#)  
**F76** Definition substituted by [S.I. 1973/960, art. 5](#)  
**F77** Definition inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 70\(5\)\(a\)](#)  
**F78** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 70\(5\)\(b\)](#)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C18** [S. 30](#) applied (with modifications) (22.3.2001) by [S.I. 2001/1148, art. 10](#) (art. 34)

### *Finance*

**31, 32.** .....<sup>F79</sup>

#### Textual Amendments

- F79** [Ss. 31, 32, 34](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

### **33 The Post Office’s commencing capital debt.**

- (1) The Post Office shall, on the appointed day, assume a debt due to the Minister whereof the amount shall (subject to the effect of any direction given under section 17 of this Act) be the excess of the aggregate of the following amounts:—
- (a) so much of advances made under section 9 of the <sup>M34</sup>Post Office Act 1961 by the Treasury to the Postmaster General as remains outstanding immediately before that day; and
  - (b) so much of the amount referred to in section 13(2) of that Act as remains outstanding immediately before that day;
- over the aggregate of—



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- (i) the net book value of all chattels and corporeal moveables which, immediately before the appointed day, are used, or appropriated for use, by the Postmaster General, being chattels and corporeal moveables that do not, by virtue of section 16 of this Act, vest in the Post Office and in the provision of which the Postmaster General has incurred expenditure treated by him as capital expenditure; and
  - (ii) the aggregate of the sums of which, under the following provisions of this Act, the Post Office is entitled to credit for the purposes of this section.
- (2) The rate of interest on the said debt and the date from which interest is to begin to accrue, the arrangements for paying off the principal of the said debt, and the other terms of the said debt shall be such as the Minister, with the approval of the Treasury, may from time to time determine; and different rates and dates may be determined under this subsection with respect to different portions of the said debt.
- (3) Any sums received by the Minister by way of interest on, or repayment of, the said debt shall be paid into the National Loans Fund.
- (4) In this section “net book value” means, in relation to chattels and corporeal moveables, the value thereof (after deducting depreciation) as shown in the books by reference to which the final statement of accounts under section 12 of the <sup>M35</sup>Post Office Act 1961 is prepared.

**Marginal Citations**

M34 1961 c. 15.

M35 1961 c. 15.

34 ..... F80

**Textual Amendments**

F80 Ss. 31, 32, 34 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

35, 36. .... F81

**Textual Amendments**

F81 Ss. 35, 36, 42 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. II](#)

**37 Loans by the Minister to the Post Office.**

- (1) The Minister may, with the approval of the Treasury, lend to the Post Office any sums which it has power to borrow under [<sup>F82</sup>section 73(1) or (2) of the <sup>M36</sup>British Telecommunications Act 1981].
- (2) Any loans which the Minister makes under this section shall be repaid to him at such times and by such methods, and interest thereon shall be paid to him at such rates and at such times, as he may, with the approval of the Treasury, from time to time direct.

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- (3) The Treasury may issue out of the National Loans Fund to the Minister such sums as are necessary to enable him to make loans under this section.
- (4) Any sums received under subsection (2) above by the Minister shall be paid into the National Loans Fund.

#### Textual Amendments

**F82** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 3 para. 51\(3\)](#)

#### Marginal Citations

**M36** [1981 c. 38.](#)

### 38 Treasury guarantees.

- (1) The Treasury may guarantee, in such manner and on such conditions as they may think fit, the repayment of the principal of, [<sup>F83</sup>the payment of interest on and the discharge of any other financial obligation in connection with], any sums which the Post Office borrows from a person other than the Minister.
- (2) Immediately after a guarantee is given under this section, the Treasury shall lay a statement of the guarantee before each House of Parliament; and where any sum is issued for fulfilling a guarantee so given the Treasury shall, as soon as possible after the end of each financial year, beginning with that in which the sum is issued and ending with that in which all liability in respect of the principal of the sum and in respect of interest thereon is finally discharged, lay before each House of Parliament a statement relating to that sum.
- (3) Any sums required by the Treasury for fulfilling a guarantee under this section shall be charged on and issued out of the Consolidated Fund.
- (4) If any sums are issued in fulfilment of a guarantee given under this section, the Post Office shall make to the Treasury, at such times and in such manner as the Treasury may from time to time direct, payments, of such amounts as the Treasury may so direct, in or towards repayment of the sums so issued and payments of interest on what is outstanding for the time being in respect of sums so issued at such rate as the Treasury may so direct.
- (5) Any sums received under the last foregoing subsection by the Treasury shall be paid into the Consolidated Fund.

#### Textual Amendments

**F83** Words substituted by [Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Act 1983 \(c. 29, SIF 29\), s. 4\(1\), Sch. 2](#)

### 39 Accounts of the Minister with reference to Post Office indebtedness to him.

The Minister shall, as respects each financial year, prepare in such form and manner as the Treasury may direct, an account of sums received by him as mentioned in section 33(3) of this Act, of sums received by him under subsection (2) of section 37 of this Act <sup>F84</sup> of sums issued to him under subsection (3) of that section [<sup>F85</sup>and of sums paid or received by him under the <sup>M37</sup>Post Office (Banking Services) Act 1976]

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and of the disposal by him of those sums respectively, and send it to the Comptroller and Auditor General not later than the end of November following the year; and the Comptroller and Auditor General shall examine, certify and report on the account and lay copies of it, together with his report, before each House of Parliament.

**Textual Amendments**

- F84** Word repealed by [Post Office \(Banking Services\) Act 1976 \(c. 10\), s. 5](#)
- F85** Words inserted by [Post Office \(Banking Services\) Act 1976 \(c. 10\), s. 5](#)

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C19** [S. 39](#) applied (22.3.2001) by [S.I. 2001/1148, art. 12](#) (with [art. 34](#))

**Marginal Citations**

- M37** [1976 c. 10.](#)

*Banking*

**40 The Post Office as banker.**

So far as regards the provision by it, in exercise of the power conferred on it by virtue of section 7(1)(b) of this Act, of a banking service, the Post Office shall be deemed for all purposes to be a bank and a banker and to be carrying on the business of banking and a banking undertaking, <sup>F86</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

- F86** Words repealed by [Banking Act 1979 \(c. 37\), Sch. 7](#)

**41 The Post Office’s liabilities as banker to be matched by cash and liquid assets.**

So long as the Post Office provides, in exercise of the power conferred on it by virtue of section 7(1)(b) of this Act, a banking service, it shall be its duty to secure that, at every point of time in any period,—

- (a) such proportion of the aggregate of the sums owed at that point of time by it to persons in the capacity of customers of its with reference to that service as has previously been determined, in relation to that period, by it with the approval of the Treasury, is matched by assets of its of one or more of the classes specified in Part I of Schedule 2 to this Act; and
- (b) the residue of that aggregate is matched by assets of its of one or more of the classes specified in Part II of that Schedule.

**42** ..... <sup>F87</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

- F87** [Ss. 35, 36, 42](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 6 Pt. II](#)

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### *Pensions and other Benefits*

#### **43 Staff pensions.**

- (1) The Post Office shall, in the case of such persons engaged in its business as may be determined by it <sup>F88</sup> (not being members of the Post Office), pay such pensions, allowances or gratuities to or in respect of them as may be so determined, make such payments towards the provision of such pensions, allowances or gratuities as may be so determined or provide and maintain such schemes (whether contributory or not) for the payment of such pensions, allowances or gratuities as may be so determined.
- (2) Where a participant in such a scheme as aforesaid becomes a member of the Post Office, he may be treated for the purposes of the scheme as if his service as a member of the Post Office were service as a person engaged in its business otherwise than as such a member, and his rights under the scheme shall not be affected by paragraph 4(1)(b) of Schedule 1 to this Act.

#### **Textual Amendments**

**F88** Words repealed by [Superannuation Act 1972 \(c. 11\)](#), s. 29(4), [Sch. 8](#)

#### **44 The Post Office to pay pensions, &c., referable to the service of certain former civil servants.**

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, the following shall, instead of being paid out of moneys provided by Parliament, be paid by the Post Office, that is to say:—
  - (a) any sum that falls to be paid in respect of a period beginning on or after the appointed day by way of allowance or pension under the <sup>M38</sup>Superannuation Act 1965 referable to the service of a person who—
    - (i) ceased to be a civil servant before that day; and
    - (ii) immediately before he so ceased, was employed in the department of the Postmaster General otherwise than wholly in connection with the discharge of the Postmaster General's functions under the following enactments (or any of them), that is to say, the <sup>M39</sup>Government Annuities Act 1929, the <sup>M40</sup>Post Office Savings Bank Act 1954, the <sup>M41</sup>National Debt Act 1958, the <sup>M42</sup>Post Office Savings Bank Act 1966 and the <sup>M43</sup>National Loans Act 1968;
  - (b) any additional allowance or gratuity under the <sup>M44</sup>Superannuation Act 1965 that falls to be paid on or after the appointed day, being an allowance or gratuity referable to the service of any such person; and
  - (c) any sum that falls to be so paid under that Act to any such person by way of return (with or without interest) of periodical contributions.
- (2) Where, in the case of such a person as aforesaid, the following conditions are satisfied, namely,—
  - (a) that, after he ceased to be a civil servant, but before the appointed day, he began to serve in a department other than that of the Postmaster General in an unestablished capacity; and
  - (b) that his service in that department continued after the beginning of the appointed day;

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the foregoing subsection shall not apply to so much of any payment by way of a superannuation or additional allowance granted under the Superannuation Act 1965 to him or of a pension granted under that Act in respect of his service (being a pension the annual rate of which is determined by reference to the rate of his superannuation allowance) as is attributable to—

- (i) a completed year of service which begins on or after the appointed day; or
- (ii) a completed year of service which begins before, and ends after, that day, being a year in the case of which more than one hundred and eighty-two of the days therein comprised fall after the day immediately preceding that day.

[<sup>F89</sup>(3) References in this section to the Superannuation Act 1965 shall be construed as including references to the principal civil service pension scheme within the meaning of section 2 of the <sup>M45</sup>Superannuation Act 1972 and for the time being in force.]

**Textual Amendments**

**F89** S. 44(3) inserted by [Superannuation Act 1972 \(c. 11\)](#), [Sch. 6 para. 73](#)

**Marginal Citations**

- M38** 1965 c. 74.
- M39** 1929 c. 29.
- M40** 1954 c. 62.
- M41** 1958 c. 6 (7 & 8 Eliz. 2).
- M42** 1966 c. 12.
- M43** 1968 c. 13.
- M44** 1965 c. 74.
- M45** 1972 c. 11.

45 ..... <sup>F90</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F90** S. 45 repealed by [Superannuation Act 1972 \(c. 11\)](#), ss. 2(12), 29(4), [Sch. 2, 8](#)

**46 The Post Office to be liable, in certain cases, for part payment of pensions of certain former civil servants.**

Where, in the case of a person who has ceased to be a civil servant, the following conditions are satisfied, namely,—

- (a) that, immediately before he so ceased, he was employed elsewhere than in the department of the Postmaster General;
- (b) that, after he so ceased, but before the appointed day, he began to serve in that department in an unestablished capacity and continued to serve therein until the appointed day; and
- (c) that, on the appointed day, he began a period of service in the Post Office;

so much of any payment by way of a superannuation or additional allowance granted under the <sup>M46</sup>Superannuation Act 1965 to him or of a pension granted under that Act in respect of his service (being a pension the annual rate of which is determined by reference to the rate of his superannuation allowance) as is attributable to—

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- (i) a completed year of service which begins on or after the appointed day; or
  - (ii) a completed year of service which begins before, and ends after, that day, being a year in the case of which more than one hundred and eighty-two of the days therein comprised fall after the day immediately preceding that day;
- shall, instead of being paid out of moneys provided by Parliament, be paid by the Post Office.

[<sup>F91</sup>References in this section to the Superannuation Act 1965 shall be construed as including references to the principal civil service pension scheme within the meaning of section 2 of the <sup>M47</sup>Superannuation Act 1972 and for the time being in force.]

#### Textual Amendments

**F91** Words inserted by [Superannuation Act 1972 \(c. 11\)](#), [Sch. 6 para. 74](#)

#### Marginal Citations

**M46** 1965 c. 74.

**M47** 1972 c. 11.

#### 47 **Making, by the Minister, in consideration of the Exchequer’s being relieved of certain liabilities with respect to pensions, of payments to trustees appointed by the Post Office.**

- (1) In consideration of the fact that, after the beginning of the appointed day, the Exchequer will, by virtue of the foregoing provisions of this Part of this Act, be relieved of liabilities in respect of the provision of pensions, gratuities and other like benefits to, and in respect of, certain persons, the following provisions of this section shall have effect.
- (2) It shall be assumed that, on the appointed day, the Minister is the holder of an amount of 2½% Consolidated Stock equal in nominal value to such sum (not being less than £1,000 million nor more than £1,500 million) as he may determine for the purposes of this section (which amount is hereafter in this section referred to as the “assumed amount of stock”); and trustees appointed by the Post Office for the purposes of this section (hereafter in this section referred to as “the trustees”)—
  - (a) shall, subject to the following provisions of this section, be entitled to receive from him, in accordance with those provisions, quarterly payments (hereafter in this section referred to as “capital payments”) which shall severally be taken to represent the proceeds of assumed sales of portions of the assumed amount of stock and shall continue to be made until, by the operation of this section, the assumed amount of stock has been exhausted, and
  - (b) shall also, subject as aforesaid, be entitled to receive from him, in accordance with the said provisions, quarterly payments (hereafter in this section referred to as “interest payments”) of which the first shall be taken to represent interest on the assumed amount of stock and each subsequent one shall be taken to represent interest on the residue of the assumed amount of stock remaining on the immediately preceding day on which an interest payment was payable.
- (3) Capital and interest payments shall be payable on the same days as those on which dividends are payable in respect of 2½% Consolidated Stock, that is to say, 5th January, 5th April, 5th July and 5th October (which days are hereafter in this section referred

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- to as “pay-days”), the first of those payments being payable on the first pay-day following the appointed day.
- (4) Subject to the next following subsection, the aggregate of the sums that the trustees are, by virtue of this section, entitled to receive on a pay-day shall be £11,250,000.
  - (5) Capital payments may be reduced or withheld by the Minister in not more than five financial years (but so that none be reduced or withheld unless, beforehand, the Post Office has been notified by him of the intended reduction or withholding and the reduction or withholding has been approved by resolution of the Commons House of Parliament), subject however, to this qualification, that if the Minister avails himself of the benefit of this subsection in two successive financial years it shall not be open to him to avail himself of it in the financial year next following.
  - (6) For the purpose of computing the amount of the first interest payment, it shall be assumed that interest on the assumed amount of stock begins to accrue on the appointed day and accrues from day to day.
  - (7) Each interest payment subsequent to the first shall be equal to that which would be payable by way of dividend on an actual holding of 2½% Consolidated Stock equal to so much of the assumed amount of stock as was outstanding on the day on which the immediately preceding interest payment was payable.
  - (8) If, in the case of a pay-day on which a capital payment is payable, the residue of the assumed amount of stock that remained on the immediately preceding pay-day is of an amount such that the proceeds of an assumed sale thereof for the purpose of computing the amount of that payment amount to a sum less than that which, apart from this subsection, the trustees are entitled to receive by way thereof, the requirements of this section shall be deemed to be complied with by the payment by the Minister to the trustees of an amount equal to those proceeds and of the interest payment payable on the first-mentioned pay-day.
  - (9) For the purposes of this section, an assumed sale of a portion of the assumed amount of stock shall be assumed to take place on the last day before the payment representing the proceeds of the sale is due on which bargains in 2½% Consolidated Stock, other than bargains at special prices, were recorded on the London Stock Exchange, and at a price half way between the highest and lowest prices at which bargains in that stock, other than bargains at special prices, were recorded on that Exchange on that day.
  - (10) Trustees appointed by the Post Office for the purposes of this section shall hold moneys received by them thereunder, and any sums accruing by reason of the investment by them of any moneys so received, upon such trusts as may be declared by the Post Office for the purposes of this section, being trusts the objects of which consist in the payment, or the making of provision for the payment, of pensions, allowances and gratuities to, and in respect of, persons with respect to whom determinations made under section 43 of this Act are in force and in the reimbursement of the Post Office sums paid under section 44 or 46 of this Act.
  - (11) Section 6(1) of this Act shall not operate so as to preclude the appointment of trustees or the declaration of trusts by the Post Office for the purposes of this section before the appointed day.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

C20 S. 47(10) amended by S.I. 1983/326, art. 3(3)

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#### 48 Amendment of section 6 of the Commonwealth Telegraphs Act 1949.

Subsection (2) of section 6 of the <sup>M48</sup>Commonwealth Telegraphs Act 1949 (which provides for the making of regulations with respect to the payment of pensions to, or in respect of, employees of Cable and Wireless Limited) shall have effect as if, in paragraph (c) and sub-paragraphs (d)(iv), (v) and (vi), references which, by virtue of section 4 of this Act, are to be construed as referring to the Minister included references to the Post Office.

##### Marginal Citations

**M48** 1949 c. 39.

#### 49 Provisions as to pensions of former employees of Cable and Wireless Limited and certain other persons.

- (1) The Minister may, by statutory instrument (which shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament) make, with the consent of [<sup>F92</sup>the Treasury], such regulations with respect to the payment of pensions to, or in respect of, persons who, at the passing of this Act are serving in the department of the Postmaster General, being—
- (a) persons who have pension rights under any of the following schemes, that is to say, the existing pension schemes, the scheme for the payment of pensions commonly known as the Cable and Wireless Pension Fund (being a scheme subsisting by virtue of regulations made under section 6 of the <sup>M49</sup>Commonwealth Telegraphs Act 1949) and the scheme for the payment of pensions commonly known as the Cable and Wireless Staff Dependants' Fund (being a scheme so subsisting); or
  - (b) persons, other than as aforesaid, who have been in the employment of Cable and Wireless Limited;
- as appear to him to be requisite for securing that they, and persons claiming in right of them, are not adversely affected in the matter of pension rights by reason only that, in consequence of this Act, they cease to serve in that department.
- (2) Subsections (2) to (4), (7) and (8) of the said section 6 shall apply for the purposes of this section as if references to that section and subsection (1) thereof included references to the foregoing subsection, as if, for references to the existing pension schemes (except in subsection (8)), there were substituted references to the schemes mentioned in subsection (1)(a) above, and as if, in subsection (7), for the reference to 1st January 1947 there were substituted a reference to the day on which this Act passes; and subsection (5) of that section shall, in its application to subsection (2)(a), as applied by this section, have effect as if, for the references to the purposes of any of the existing pension schemes, there were substituted a reference to the purposes of any of the schemes so mentioned.
- (3) Regulations under this section may amend or revoke provisions of regulations under the said section 6.

##### Textual Amendments

**F92** Words substituted by virtue of S.I. 1981/1670, arts. 2 (c), 3(5)



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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C21** S. 49 extended by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 5 para. 46(2)**

**Marginal Citations**

**M49** 1949 c. 39.

**50** ..... <sup>F93</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F93** S. 50 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

**51** ..... <sup>F94</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F94** S. 51 repealed by [National Insurance and Supplementary Benefit Act 1973 \(c. 42\)](#), **Sch. 7**

**52**<sup>F95</sup> **Rating**

**53**<sup>F96</sup>

**54**<sup>F97</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F95** S. 52 repealed (E.W.) by [S.I. 1990/776](#), art. 3(1)(2), **Sch. 1** and s. 52(2)(3) repealed by [S.I. 1976/206](#), **art. 7(b)(ii)**

**F96** S. 53 repealed by [S.I. 1978/1173](#), **Sch.**

**F97** S. 54 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**

*Lands*

**55** **Compulsory purchase of land in Great Britain.**

- (1) The Minister may authorise the Post Office to purchase compulsorily any land in Great Britain which is required by it for, or in connection with, the exercise of its powers or as to which it can reasonably be foreseen that it will be so required; and the [<sup>F98M50</sup>Acquisition of Land Act 1981] shall apply to the compulsory purchase of land in Great Britain by the Post Office <sup>F99</sup> . . . .
- (2) The power of purchasing land compulsorily in this section shall include power to acquire, by the creation of a new right an easement or other right over land, other than land which would, for the purposes of the [<sup>F98M51</sup>Acquisition of Land Act 1981] form part of a common, open space or fuel or field garden allotment.

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- (3) In the application of this section to Scotland, there shall be substituted, for any reference to the [<sup>F98M52</sup>Acquisition of Land Act 1981], a reference to the <sup>M53</sup>Acquisition of Land (Authorisation Procedure) (Scotland) Act 1947 and, for any reference to an easement, a reference to a servitude; and the reference in the last foregoing subsection to a fuel or field garden allotment shall be omitted.

#### Textual Amendments

**F98** Words substituted by [Acquisition of Land Act 1981 \(c.67\)](#), **Sch. 4 para. 1**

**F99** Words repealed by [Acquisition of Land Act 1981 \(c.67\)](#), **Sch. 6**

#### Marginal Citations

**M50** 1981 c. 67.

**M51** 1981 c. 67.

**M52** 1946 c. 49.

**M53** 1947 c. 42.

## 56 Compulsory purchase of land in Northern Ireland.

- (1) Where the Post Office desires to acquire, otherwise than by agreement, any land in Northern Ireland required by it for, or in connection with, the exercise of its powers or as to which it can reasonably be foreseen that it will be so required, it may apply to the Minister for an order vesting that land in it, and the Minister shall have power to make such an order.
- (2) For the purposes of the acquisition of land by means of a vesting order under this section, Schedules 5 and 6 to the <sup>M54</sup>Roads Act (Northern Ireland) 1948 (as amended by any enactment of the Parliament of Northern Ireland passed before the passing of this Act) are hereby incorporated in this Act subject to the modifications specified in Schedule 3 to this Act.
- (3) The <sup>M55</sup>Acquisition of Land (Assessment of Compensation) Act 1919 shall, in its application to any land vested in the Post Office by an order made under this section, have effect as amended by the <sup>M56</sup>Lands Tribunal and Compensation Act (Northern Ireland) 1964.
- (4) In this section, and in Schedule 3 to this Act and in the said Schedule 5 as incorporated in this Act, “land” has the meaning assigned to it by section 45(1)(a) of the <sup>M57</sup>Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 and, in Schedule 3 to this Act and in the said Schedule 5 as so incorporated, “estate” has the meaning assigned to it by section 45(2) of that Act.

#### Marginal Citations

**M54** 1948 c. 28 (N.I.)

**M55** 1919 c. 57.

**M56** 1964 c. 29 (N.I.)

**M57** 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

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## 57 Entry, for exploratory purposes, on land in England or Wales.

- (1) A person duly authorised in writing by the Post Office may, at any reasonable time, enter upon and survey any land in England or Wales other than land covered by buildings or used as a garden or pleasure ground, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the land would be suitable for use for the purposes of its business.
- (2) [<sup>F100</sup>Sections 324(8), 325(1) to (5), (8) and (9) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990] (which contain supplementary provisions relating to the powers of entry conferred by [<sup>F101</sup>section 324(1) to (7) and (9) thereof]) shall have effect in relation to the power conferred by this section as they have effect in relation to the powers conferred by [<sup>F102</sup>the said section 324], subject, however, to the following modifications, namely,—
  - (a) that [<sup>F103</sup>section 324(8)] (which relates to power to search and bore for the purpose of ascertaining the nature of the subsoil or the presence of minerals [<sup>F103</sup>in it]) shall so have effect as if the words “or the presence of minerals [<sup>F103</sup>in it]” were omitted; and
  - (b) that [<sup>F104</sup>section 325(1)] (which requires twenty-four hours’ notice to be given of an intended entry upon occupied land) shall so have effect as if, for the words “twenty-four hours”, there were substituted the words “twenty-eight days”.
- (3) Where, in an exercise of the power conferred by this section, any damage is caused to land or to chattels, any person interested in the land or chattels may recover from the Post Office compensation in respect of the damage; and where, in consequence of an exercise of that power, any person is disturbed in his enjoyment of any land or chattels, he may recover from the Post Office compensation in respect of the disturbance.
- (4) [<sup>F105</sup>Section 118 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990] (which provides for the determination of disputes as to compensation under [<sup>F106</sup>Part IV of that Act]) shall apply to any question of disputed compensation under this section.
- (5) This section shall come into operation on the appointed day.

### Textual Amendments

- F100** Words substituted by [Planning \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1990 \(c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2\), s. 4, Sch. 2 para. 24\(1\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- F101** Words substituted by [Planning \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1990 \(c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2\), s. 4, Sch. 2 para. 24\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- F102** Words substituted by [Planning \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1990 \(c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2\), s. 4, Sch. 2 para. 24\(1\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- F103** Words substituted by [Planning \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1990 \(c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2\), s. 4, Sch. 2 para. 24\(1\)\(a\)\(iv\)](#)
- F104** Words substituted by [Planning \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1990 \(c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2\), s. 4, Sch. 2 para. 24\(1\)\(a\)\(v\)](#)
- F105** Words substituted by [Planning \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1990 \(c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2\), s. 4, Sch. 2 para. 24\(1\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- F106** Words substituted by [Planning \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1990 \(c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2\), s. 4, Sch. 2 para. 24\(1\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)

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## 58 Entry, for exploratory purposes, on land in Scotland.

- (1) A person duly authorised in writing by the Post Office may, at any reasonable time, enter upon and survey any land in Scotland, other than land covered by buildings or used as a garden or pleasure ground, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the land would be suitable for use for the purposes of its business.
- (2) [<sup>F107</sup>Sections 269(6) and 270(1) to (5), (8) and (9) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997] (supplementary provisions as to powers of entry) shall have effect in relation to the power conferred by this section as they have effect in relation to the powers conferred by [<sup>F108</sup>the said section 269] subject, however, to the following modifications, namely,—
  - (a) that [<sup>F109</sup>section 270(1)] (twenty-four hours' notice to be given of an intended entry upon occupied land) shall so have effect, as if, for the words, “twenty-four hours”, there were substituted the words “twenty-eight days”; and
  - (b) that [<sup>F110</sup>section 269(6)] (power to search and bore for minerals, &c.) shall so have effect as if the words “or the presence of minerals [<sup>F110</sup>in it]” were omitted.
- (3) Where, in an exercise of the power conferred by this section, any damage is caused to land or to corporeal moveables, any person interested in the land or corporeal movables may recover from the Post Office compensation in respect of the damage; and where, in consequence of an exercise of that power, any person is disturbed in his enjoyment of any land or corporeal moveables, he may recover from the Post Office compensation in respect of the disturbance.
- (4) Any question arising under this section as to the effect of damage or as to the amount of compensation shall, in the case of dispute be determined by arbitration, and the reference in such an arbitration shall be to a single arbiter to be appointed by agreement between the parties or, in default of an agreement, by the Minister.
- (5) This section shall come into operation on the appointed day.

### Textual Amendments

**F107** Words in s. 58(2) substituted (U.K.) (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(1)(a)**

**F108** Words in s. 58(2) substituted (U.K.) (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(1)(b)**

**F109** Words in s. 58(2) substituted (U.K.) (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(1)(c)**

**F110** Words in s. 58(2) substituted (U.K.) (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(1)(d)**

## 59 Entry, for exploratory purposes, on land in Northern Ireland.

- (1) A person duly authorised in writing by the Post Office may, at any reasonable time, enter upon and survey any land in Northern Ireland, other than land covered by buildings or used as a garden or pleasure ground, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the land would be suitable for use for the purposes of its business.
- (2) Subsections (2) to (5) and (8) of section 40 of the <sup>M58</sup>Land Development Values (Compensation) Act (Northern Ireland) 1965 (which contain supplementary provisions relating to the power of entry conferred by subsection (1) of that section) shall have effect in relation to the power conferred by this section as they have effect in relation to the power conferred by the said subsection (1), subject, however to the following modifications, namely,—

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- (a) that section 40(2) (which relates to power to search and bore for the purpose of ascertaining the nature of the subsoil or the presence of minerals therein) shall so have effect as if the words “or the presence of minerals therein” were omitted; and
  - (b) that section 40(3)(b) (which requires three days’ notice to be given of an intended entry upon occupied land) shall so have effect as if, for the word “three”, there were substituted the word “twenty-eight”.
- (3) Where, in an exercise of the power conferred by this section, any damage is caused to land or to chattels, any person interested in the land or chattels may recover from the Post Office compensation in respect of the damage; and where, in consequence of an exercise of that power, any person is disturbed in his enjoyment of any land or chattels, he may recover from the Post Office compensation in respect of the disturbance.
- (4) Section 31 of the <sup>M59</sup>Land Development Values (Compensation) Act (Northern Ireland) 1965 (which provides for the determination of disputes as to compensation under Part III of that Act) shall apply to any question of disputed compensation under this section.
- (5) This section shall come into operation on the appointed day.

#### Marginal Citations

**M58** 1965 c. 23 (N.I.)

**M59** 1965 c. 23 (N.I.)

## 60 Application, to acquisitions of land by the Post Office by agreement, of certain statutory provisions relating to compulsory purchase.

- (1) For the purpose of the acquisition by the Post Office by agreement of land in England or Wales, the provisions of Part I of the <sup>M60</sup>Compulsory Purchase Act 1965 (so far as applicable) other than sections 4 to 8, section 27 and section 31 shall apply.
- (2) For the purpose of the acquisition by the Post Office by agreement of land in Scotland, section [<sup>F111</sup>109(2) of the <sup>M61</sup>Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972] (incorporation of Lands Clauses Acts) shall, with any necessary modifications, apply for the purposes of this Act as it applies for the purposes of that Act.
- (3) For the purpose of the acquisition by the Post Office by agreement of land in Northern Ireland, the Lands Clauses Acts shall be incorporated with this Act except for sections 127 to 133 (sale of superfluous land) and sections 150 and 151 (access to the special Act) of the <sup>M62</sup>Lands Clauses Consolidation Act 1845.

#### Textual Amendments

**F111** Words substituted by virtue of [Interpretation Act 1978 \(c. 30\), s. 17\(2\)\(a\)](#)

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**M60** 1965 c. 56.

**M61** 1972 c. 52.

**M62** 1845 c. 18.

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**61 Power to sell to the Post Office land belonging to Her Majesty in right of the Duchy of Lancaster.**

The Chancellor and Council of the Duchy of Lancaster may, if they think fit, agree with the Post Office for the sale, and absolutely make sale, for such sum of money as appears to them to be sufficient consideration for the same, of any land belonging to Her Majesty in right of the Duchy of Lancaster which the Post Office seeks to acquire in exercise of the power conferred on it by virtue of section 7(2)(f) of this Act.

**62 Requisitions on title as to Treasury consent to dealings with land precluded.**

A person dealing with the Post Office in respect of land shall not be bound or entitled to inquire whether the consent of the Treasury to any previous dealing with the land was requisite or whether, if it was, it was given.

**63 Status of land vested in the Post Office by virtue of Part III.**

Land vested in the Post Office by virtue of this Part of this Act shall be deemed for all purposes to have been acquired by it for the purposes of its undertaking.

*Miscellaneous Matters*

**64 Inviolability of mails.**

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, a packet in the post, anything contained in a packet in the post and a mail-bag containing a packet in the post shall (if it is not the property of the Crown) have the like immunity from examination under a power conferred by or under any enactment (whether passed before or after this Act), from seizure or detention under such a power, from seizure under distress or in execution and from retention by virtue of a lien, as it would have if it were the property of the Crown.
- (2) The Post Office and a person who is engaged in its business shall be entitled to the like immunity from protection for possession of anything contained in a packet in the post, being a thing whose possession is prohibited by or under any enactment (whether passed before or after this Act), and for failure to comply, as respects anything contained in a packet in the post, with any condition or restriction imposed by or under any enactment (whether passed before or after this Act) with respect to its possession, carriage or delivery, as the Post Office and that person would be entitled to if the Post Office were a government department.
- (3) Subsection (1) above does not apply to a power conferred by an enactment for the time being in force relating to customs in its application, by virtue of section 16 of the <sup>M63</sup>Post Office Act 1953 or any regulations made under that section, to goods contained in postal packets, or to the powers conferred by section 17 (detention of postal packets containing contraband) and 26(6) (search and seizure of postal packets by officers of customs and excise) of that Act.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

C22 S. 64 applied (with modifications) (22.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1148, art. 13 (with art. 34)

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### Marginal Citations

M63 1953 c. 36.

65 ..... F112

### Textual Amendments

F112 S. 65 repealed with saving by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), s. 89(4), [Sch. 6 Pt. II](#)

## 66 Harbour charges on mail-bags.

- (1) Any statutory provision made with respect to a harbour authority shall, on the appointed day, cease to have effect in so far as it exempts mail-bags or any description thereof from charges.
- (2) No charge imposed by a harbour authority in respect of goods brought into, taken out of, or carried through a harbour which, in the exercise and performance of statutory powers and duties, they are engaged in improving, maintaining or managing shall apply to goods contained in—
  - (a) mail-bags carried by the Post Office or consigned by it to another for carriage (whether to a foreign administration or not) or by a foreign administration to it for carriage; or
  - (b) mail-bags consigned by one foreign administration to another, being mail-bags which, when in the United Kingdom, are in the charge of the Post Office.
- (3) Charges in respect of mail-bags and their contents exigible by a harbour authority at a harbour which, in the exercise and performance of statutory powers and duties, they are engaged in improving, maintaining or managing (being mail-bags carried or consigned as aforesaid) shall, notwithstanding anything in any statutory provision made with respect to the authority, not be payable before the expiration of the period of eight weeks beginning with the day on which the bags are brought within the limits of the harbour, and shall be recoverable by means of proceedings instituted in that behalf in any court of competent jurisdiction to the exclusion of any other means.
- (4) In this section, except in its application to Northern Ireland<sup>F113</sup>, references to a harbour which, in the exercise and performance of statutory powers and duties, a harbour authority are engaged in improving, maintaining or managing shall be construed in like manner as if they were contained in the<sup>M64</sup> Harbours Act 1964.
- (5) In the application of this section to Northern Ireland, references to a harbour which, in the exercise and performance of statutory powers and duties, a harbour authority are engaged in improving, maintaining or managing shall be construed as references to a harbour which is being improved, maintained or managed by such an authority in the exercise of powers conferred by a statutory provision, in the performance of duties imposed by statutory provision or in the exercise and performance of powers conferred and duties imposed by a statutory provision.

(6)<sup>F114</sup>

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#### Textual Amendments

- F113** Words repealed by S.I. 1973/960, **art. 6(a)**  
**F114** S. 66(6) repealed by S.I. 1973/960, **art. 6(b)**

#### Marginal Citations

- M64** 1964 c. 40.

### 67 Mail-bags not to be subject to control by harbour authorities.

Nothing in a statutory provision made (whether before or after this Act) with respect to a harbour authority shall extend to regulate or subject to control—

- (a) mail-bags carried by the Post Office or consigned by it to another for carriage (whether to a foreign administration or not) or by a foreign administration to it for carriage; or
- (b) mail-bags consigned by one foreign administration to another, being mail-bags which, when in the United Kingdom, are in the charge of the Post Office.

### 68 .....<sup>F115</sup>

#### Textual Amendments

- F115** S. 68 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

### 69 Documentary evidence as to sums due for services.

(1)

- <sup>F116</sup>(3) In any proceedings instituted by or against the Post Office to which the rate at which a charge was levied at any time, in respect of a service, by an authority outside the British Islands is material, a certificate of the Post Office that the charge was levied at that rate at that time in respect of that service by that authority shall be [<sup>F117</sup>evidence (and, in Scotland, sufficient evidence)] of that fact.

#### Textual Amendments

- F116** S. 69(1)(2) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**  
**F117** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c.38\)](#), **Sch. 3 para. 51(5)**

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C23** S. 69(3) amended by S.I. 1969/1368, **art. 6**, 1972/1816, art. 5 and 1973/960, art. 7  
 S. 69(3) applied (with modifications) (22.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1148, **art. 14** (with aert. 34)

### 70 Provisions as to money and postal orders.

- (1) Where in the British Islands, a money or postal order issued by the Post Office is presented for payment by a banker to whom it has been delivered for collection, payment of it to him discharges it.



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- (2) Where, in the British Islands,—
- (a) an uncrossed money or postal order issued by the Post Office, being an order expressed to be payable to a person specified or described therein and being, or purporting to be, signed by him or on his behalf; or
  - (b) an uncrossed postal order so issued, being an order not expressed to be payable to such a person;
- is presented for payment otherwise than by a banker to whom it has been delivered for collection, payment of the order to the person by whom it is presented discharges it.
- (3) A money or postal order issued by the Post Office is discharged by the payment thereof outside the British Islands in accordance with arrangements in that behalf made by the Post Office.
- (4) Where a money or postal order issued by a foreign administration is paid by the Post Office to a banker to whom it has been delivered for collection on behalf of a person other than the true owner of the order, the Post Office shall not be liable to the true owner of the order by reason of having paid it to that banker.
- (5) Where—
- (a) an uncrossed money or postal order issued by a foreign administration, being an order expressed to be payable to a person specified or described therein and purporting to be signed by him or on his behalf; or
  - (b) an uncrossed postal order so issued, being an order not expressed to be payable to such a person;
- is presented to the Post Office for payment otherwise than by a banker to whom it has been delivered for collection or the true owner of the order, payment of the order by the Post Office to the person presenting it shall not render the Post Office liable to the true owner of the order.
- (6) No proceedings shall lie against the Post Office for loss or damage due to refusal by it to pay, or delay by it in paying, a money or postal order issued by it or a foreign administration.
- (7) A scheme made under section 28 of this Act may provide that a money or postal order issued by the Post Office or a foreign administration will not, after the expiration of a specified period, be paid by the Post Office except on satisfaction of specified conditions.
- (8) References in this section (except that in subsection (3)) to a money order issued by the Post Office shall be construed as including references to an order issued by it in pursuance of such an arrangement as is mentioned in section 24 of the <sup>M65</sup>Post Office Act 1953 (arrangements with other countries as to transmission of small sums through post offices), being an order which is for the payment of money in the British Islands and corresponds to a money order issued by the Post Office.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C24** S. 70 applied (with modification) (22.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1148, art. 15 (with art. 34)

**C25** S. 70 amended by S.I. 1969/1368, art. 7 and 1973/960, art. 8.

**Marginal Citations**

**M65** 1953 c. 36.

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## 71 Recoupment of losses on money orders wrongly paid to bankers.

- (1) Where, after payment by the Post Office to a banker to whom it has been delivered for collection of a money order issued by the Post Office or a foreign administration, it is found that it ought not to have been paid, the sum paid may be deducted from sums subsequently falling to be paid by the Post Office to that banker by way of payment of money orders so issued that have been delivered to him for collection.
- (2) References in this section to a money order issued by the Post Office shall be construed as including references to an order issued by it in pursuance of such an arrangement as is mentioned in section 24 of the <sup>M66</sup>Post Office Act 1953, being an order which is for the payment of money in the British Islands and corresponds to a money order issued by the Post Office.

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C26** S. 71 applied (with modifications) (22.3.2001) by S.I. 2001/1148, **art. 16** (with **art. 34**)  
**C27** S. 71 amended by S.I. 1969/1368, **art. 7** and 1973/960, art. 8

### Marginal Citations

- M66** 1953 c. 36.

## 72 Remuneration of the Post Office for services rendered in relation to parliamentary elections.

- (1) In the case of a postal <sup>F118</sup> service rendered by the Post Office in pursuance of the [<sup>F119</sup>Representation of the People Act 1983] without charge, the Post Office shall be entitled to be remunerated for having rendered it at the rate for the time being fixed in relation thereto by virtue of section 28 of this Act.
- (2) A sum which, by virtue of the foregoing subsection, the Post Office is entitled to receive shall be charged on, and issued out of, the Consolidated Fund.

### Textual Amendments

- F118** Words repealed by **British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. II**  
**F119** Words substituted by **Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2, SIF 42), s. 206, Sch. 8 para. 11**

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C28** S. 72 extended with modifications (E.W.S.) by S.I. 1986/2209, **regs. 2, 5(3)** and (N.I.) by 1986/2250, **regs. 2, 5(3)**  
 S. 72 applied (with modifications)(E.W.S.)(28.4.1999) by S.I. 1999/1214, **reg. 3(3)**  
**C29** S. 72 applied (with modifications)(N.I.)(25.4.1998) by S.I. 1998/1126, **art. 6(4)**  
**C30** S. 72 applied (with modifications)(28.5.1998) by S.I. 1998/1287, **arts. 1(2), 3(4)**; S.I. 1998/1313, **art. 2**  
 S. 72 applied (with modifications) (N.I.) (4.5.1996) by S.I. 1996/1220, **art. 3(3)**

## 73 Reimbursement by the Post Office of the Minister of contributions to international organisations.

The Post Office may reimburse the Minister the whole or any part of a sum paid by him by way of contribution towards the expenses of an international organisation of which

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Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom is a member, being an organisation concerned with activities which the Post Office has power to carry on.

#### 74 Taxation of the Post Office's profits and capital gains.

- (1) <sup>F120</sup> .....
- (2) [<sup>F121</sup>The [<sup>F122M67</sup>Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992]] shall apply in relation to a disposal by the Post Office of an asset acquired by virtue of this Part of this Act as if the acquisition or provision of the asset by the Crown had been the acquisition or provision of it by the Post Office.

##### Textual Amendments

**F120** S. 74(1) repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981, (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. I

**F121** Words in s. 74(2) substituted by [Capital Gains Tax Act 1979 \(c. 14\)](#), [Sch. 7 para. 8\(b\)](#) Table Pt. II

**F122** Words in s. 74(2) substituted (6.3.1992 with effect as mentioned in s. 289(1)(2) of the substituting Act) by virtue of [Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 \(c. 12\)](#), ss. 289, 290, [Sch. 10 para.1](#) (with ss. 60, 101(1), 201(3))

##### Marginal Citations

**M67** 1992 c. 12

#### 75 Records.

- (1) The <sup>M68</sup>Public Records Act 1958 shall, as from the appointed day, have effect as if the Post Office were included amongst the bodies and establishments set out in Part II of the Table at the end of paragraph 3 of Schedule 1 to that Act.
- (2) The Minister shall have power by order to vest in the Post Office the property in such records of the department of the Postmaster General as may be specified in or described by the order, and to give to the Post Office, with respect to records in the case of which the property therein has been vested in the Post Office by an order under this subsection, such directions as he thinks fit for securing that they are available to the Crown for inspection and copying.

##### Marginal Citations

**M68** 1958 c. 51.

#### 76 Consequential adaptations of enactments.

The provisions of Schedule 4 to this Act shall have effect for adapting the provisions of the enactments and Orders in Council therein mentioned in consequence of the assumption by the Post Office of functions which, before the appointed day, are exercised and performed by the Postmaster General.

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## 77 Repair of minor statutory deficiencies.

The provisions of Schedule 5 of this Act shall have effect for repairing minor deficiencies in the <sup>M69</sup>Telegraph Act 1863, the <sup>M70</sup>Telegraph Act 1868, <sup>F123</sup> and the <sup>M71</sup>Post Office Act 1953.

### Textual Amendments

**F123** Words repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

### Marginal Citations

**M69** 1863 c. 112.

**M70** 1868 c. 110.

**M71** 1953 c. 36.

## 78 ..... <sup>F124</sup>

### Textual Amendments

**F124** S. 78 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**

## 79 Amendment of law as to packets addressed to a poste restante.

Section 87(2)(c) of the <sup>M72</sup>Post Office Act 1953 (which provides that delivery of a postal packet at the premises to which it is addressed or redirected, or to the addressee's servant or agent or to some other person considered to be authorised to receive the packet, shall be a delivery to the addressee) shall have effect as if, after the word "redirected", there were inserted the words "(except they be a post office from which it is to be collected)".

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

**C31** The text of s. 79 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

### Marginal Citations

**M72** 1953 c. 36.

## 80 Provision of information to persons holding office under the Crown.

A requirement to do what is necessary to inform designated persons holding office under the Crown concerning matters and things transmitted or in course of transmission by means of postal or [<sup>F125</sup>telepost] services provided by the Post Office may be laid on the Post Office for the like purposes and in the like manner as, at the passing of this Act, a requirement may be laid on the Postmaster General to do what is necessary to inform such persons concerning matters and things transmitted or in course of transmission by means of such services provided by him.

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**Textual Amendments**

**F125** “telepost” substituted for “telecommunication”, except in application to Isle of Man and Channel Islands, by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 3 para. 51(6)**

**81 Modification of enactments relating to wages councils.**

**F126**(1) . . . . .

**F127**(2)

**F128**(3)

**Textual Amendments**

**F126** S. 81(1) repealed (7.2.1994 for specified purposes, otherwise 1.7.1994) by [S.I. 1993/2668 \(N.I. 11\)](#), art. 18(4), **Sch. 8**; [S.R. 1993/476](#), **art. 2**; [S.R. 1994/215](#), **arts. 2, 3**

**F127** S. 81(2) repealed by [Employment Act 1980 \(c. 42\)](#), **Sch. 2**

**F128** S. 81(3) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

**82** . . . . . **F129**

**Textual Amendments**

**F129** Ss. 82, 85 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

**83** . . . . . **F130**

**Textual Amendments**

**F130** S. 83 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38, SIF 96\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. I** and expressed to be repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

**84 Exemption from postage of certain petitions and addresses, and limitation of amount of postage recoverable in respect of parliamentary proceedings.**

- (1) Notwithstanding anything in a scheme made under section 28 of this Act,—
- (a) petitions and addresses forwarded to Her Majesty or, in Northern Ireland, to the Governor of Northern Ireland, by post shall be exempt from postage chargeable by the Post Office; and
  - (b) petitions and addresses to Her Majesty, and petitions addressed to either House of Parliament, sent by post to a member of either House of Parliament shall be exempt from postage so chargeable if the petitions or addresses do not exceed thirty-two ounces in weight and are sent without covers or in covers open at the sides.

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- (2) Notwithstanding anything in a scheme made under section 28 of this Act, where the postage chargeable by the Post Office on a packet consisting of parliamentary proceedings has not been prepaid by the sender or has been insufficiently prepaid by him, there shall not be recoverable by the Post Office (whether from the sender or the addressee) a sum exceeding the amount, as the case may be, of the postage or of the deficiency.
- (3) In the application of this section to Northern Ireland, “Parliament” includes the <sup>F131</sup>Northern Ireland Assembly] and “parliamentary” shall be construed accordingly.
- <sup>F132</sup>(4) In the application of this section to Scotland, the references to either House of Parliament include the Scottish Parliament and the reference to Parliamentary proceedings includes proceedings of the Scottish Parliament.]

**Textual Amendments**

**F131** Words substituted by [S.I. 1973/2163, Sch. 5 para. 20\(a\)](#)

**F132** [S. 84\(4\)](#) inserted (6.4.1999) by [S.I. 1999/1042, art. 3, Sch. 1 Pt. I para. 6](#)

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C32** [S. 84](#) applied (with modifications) (22.3.2001) by [S.I. 2001/1148, art. 17](#) (with [art. 34](#))

**C33** Reference to Governor of Northern Ireland to be construed as reference to Secretary of State: [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\), Sch. 5 para. 4\(1\)](#)

85 ..... <sup>F133</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F133** [Ss. 82, 85](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

**86 Interpretation of Part III.**

- (1) In this Part of this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them respectively, that is to say:—
  - “accounting year” means <sup>F134</sup>subject to section 75(5) of the <sup>M73</sup>British Telecommunications Act 1981] the period beginning with the appointed day and ending with 31st March next following or any subsequent period of twelve months beginning with the end of a previous accounting year;
  - “banker” includes a body of persons, whether incorporated or not, who carry on the business of banking;
  - “the British Islands” means the United Kingdom, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands;
  - “cash on delivery service” means a service whereby the Post Office : or a foreign administration collects or secures the collection of a sum of money on the delivery of anything consigned for conveyance by post and remits it to the sender thereof;
  - “foreign administration” means a postal administration other than the Post Office;

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“harbour”, except in relation to Northern Ireland <sup>F135</sup>, has the same meaning as in the <sup>M74</sup>Harbours Act 1964, in relation to Northern Ireland, means any harbour, whether natural or artificial, and any port, haven or estuary, and includes a dock and a wharf, quay, pier, jetty or other place at which seagoing ships (including hovercraft) can ship or unship goods or embark or disembark passengers <sup>F135</sup>;

“harbour authority”, except in relation to Northern Ireland <sup>F135</sup>, has the same meaning as in the Harbours Act 1964, in relation to Northern Ireland, means any person in whom are vested, by any statutory provision, the powers or duties of improving, maintaining or managing a harbour <sup>F135</sup>;

“hovercraft” has the same meaning as in the <sup>M75</sup>Hovercraft Act 1968;

“land” includes any interest in land and any right over land;

“local authority”,—

(a) in relation to England <sup>F136</sup> . . ., means the council of a county, <sup>F137</sup> or [<sup>F138</sup>district], <sup>F139</sup>, the council of a London borough [<sup>F140</sup><sup>F141</sup> . . .], a joint authority established by Part IV of the Local Government Act 1985] or the Common Council of the City of London;

[<sup>F142</sup>(aa) in relation to Wales, means the council of a county or county borough;]

(b) in relation to Scotland, means a [<sup>F143</sup>council constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994];

[<sup>F144</sup>(c) in relation to Northern Ireland, means a district council, the Northern Ireland Housing Executive, the Northern Ireland Electricity Service or an Education and Library Board;]

“mail-bag” includes any container in which articles are enclosed by the Post Office or a foreign administration for the purpose of the conveyance thereof by post;

“national health service authority”—

(a) in relation to England and Wales, means a [<sup>F145</sup>Health Authority or a Special Health Authority]

(b) in relation to Scotland, means [<sup>F146</sup>a Health Board or the Common Services Agency for the British Health Service constituted under the <sup>M76</sup>National Health Service (Scotland) Act [<sup>F147</sup>1978]];

(c) in relation to Northern Ireland, [<sup>F148</sup>means a Health and Social Services Board, the Northern Ireland Central Services Agency for the Health and Social Services or the Northern Ireland Staffs Council for the Health and Social Services established under the Health and Personal Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972];

“statutory provision”, except in relation to Northern Ireland <sup>F135</sup> has the same meaning as in section 57(1) of the <sup>M77</sup>Harbours Act 1964, in relation to Northern Ireland, has the same meaning as in section 1(f) of the <sup>M78</sup>Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 <sup>F135</sup>

[<sup>F149</sup>“telecommunication system” has the meaning given by subsection (1) of section 4 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 (read with subsection (2) of that section);

“telepost service” means a service whereby the Post Office does all or any of the following things, namely—

(a) receives or collects in whatever form communications which are to be sent by means of a telecommunication system;

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- (b) sends or receives by means of such a system communications which have been received or collected, or are to be delivered, by it in whatever form: and
- (c) delivers in whatever form communications which have been sent by means of such a system.]
- (2) Any reference in this Part of this Act to a subsidiary shall be construed in accordance with [<sup>F150</sup>section 736 of the Companies Act 1985] and any reference therein to a wholly owned subsidiary shall be construed in accordance with [<sup>F150</sup>section [<sup>F151</sup>736]] of that Act.
- (3)
- <sup>F152</sup>(4) Nothing in this Part of this Act shall be taken to restrict the construction of references to the Post Office’s business so as to exclude the performance of services which, by virtue of [<sup>F153</sup>section 7(1)(c), (d), (e) or (f)] of this Act, it has power to perform.

#### Textual Amendments

- F134** Words inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 3 para. 51(7)(a)**
- F135** Words repealed by [S.I. 1973/960](#), **art. 9**
- F136** [S. 86\(1\)](#): words in definition of “local authority” repealed (1.4.1996) by [1994 c. 19](#), s. 66(6)(8), [Sch. 16 para. 35](#), **Sch. 18** (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), [Sch. 17 paras. 22\(1\), 23\(2\)](#)); [S.I. 1996/396](#), art. 4, **Sch. 2**
- F137** Words repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38, SIF 96\)](#), s. 89, **Sch. 6 Pt. I**
- F138** Word substituted by virtue of [Local Government Act 1972 \(c. 70, SIF 81:1\)](#), s. 179(3)
- F139** Words repealed by [Local Government Act 1985 \(c. 51, SIF 81\(1\)\)](#), ss. 102(2)(3), [Sch. 17](#)
- F140** Words inserted by [Local Government Act 1985 \(c. 51, SIF 81\(1\)\)](#), s.84(1), [Sch. 14 para. 45](#)
- F141** Words repealed by [Education Reform Act 1988 \(c. 40, SIF 41:1\)](#), ss. 231(7), 235(6), 237, **Sch. 13**
- F142** [S. 86\(1\)](#): para. (aa) in definition of “local authority” inserted (1.4.1996) by [1994 c. 19](#), s. 66(6), **Sch. 16 para. 35** (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5), [Sch. 17 paras. 22\(1\), 23\(2\)](#)); [S.I. 1996/396](#), art. 4, **Sch. 2**
- F143** [S. 86\(1\)](#): words in definition of “local authority” substituted ([S.](#))(1.4.1996) by [1994 c. 39](#), s. 180(1), **Sch. 13 para 82**; [S.I. 1996/323](#), **art. 4(c)**
- F144** [S. 86\(1\)\(c\)](#) substituted by [S.I. 1973/2095](#), **Sch. 1 para. 8**
- F145** [S. 86\(1\)](#): words in definition of “national health service authority” substituted (28.6.1995 for specified purposes, otherwise 1.4.1996) by [1995 c. 17](#), s. 2(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. III para. 96**
- F146** Words substituted by [National Health Service \(Scotland\) Act 1972 \(c. 58\)](#), **Sch. 6 para. 145**
- F147** Word substituted by [National Health Service \(Scotland\) Act 1978 \(c. 29\)](#), **Sch. 16 para. 32**
- F148** Words substituted by [National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 \(c. 32\)](#), **Sch. 4 para. 130**
- F149** Definitions substituted by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 99(3)
- F150** Words substituted by [Companies Consolidation \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1985 \(c. 9, SIF 27\)](#), s. 30, **Sch. 2**
- F151** “736” substituted by [Companies Act 1989 \(c. 40, SIF 27\)](#), s. 144(4), **Sch. 18 para. 8**
- F152** [S. 86\(3\)](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**
- F153** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 3 para. 51(7)(b)**

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C34** [S. 86\(1\)](#): by s. 84(2)(a) of the [Local Government Act 1985](#) it is provided that until 1.4.1986 references to the Inner London Education Authority in any amendment made by [Sch. 14](#) to the said Act shall be construed as references to the Inner London Interim Education Authority
- C35** [S. 86\(1\)](#) extended (E.W.) by [S.I. 1985/1884](#), **art. 4(f)**
- C36** [S. 86\(1\)](#) amended by [S.I. 1987/2110](#), **art. 8(c)**



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- M73** 1981 c. 38.  
**M74** 1964 c. 40.  
**M75** 1968 c. 59.  
**M76** 1978 c. 29.  
**M77** 1964 c. 40.  
**M78** 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)

### 87 Power of Her Majesty in Council to make necessary provision if the Post Office surrenders privileges as regards the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.

- (1) In the event of the conclusion of any such agreement as follows, namely,—
- (a) an agreement between the Minister and the Government of the Isle of Man providing for either or both of the following, namely,—
    - (i) the surrender by the Post Office, as regards that Isle, of the privilege conferred on the Post Office by [<sup>F154</sup>section 66(1) of the British Telecommunications Act 1981] and the administration in that Isle of postal services by, or under the authority of, that government instead of by the Post Office;
    - (ii)
  - <sup>F155</sup>(b) an agreement between the Minister and the States of Jersey providing for either or both of the following, namely,—
    - (i) the surrender by the Post Office, as regards the Bailiwick of Jersey, of the privilege conferred on the Post Office by [<sup>F154</sup>the said section 66(1)] and the administration in that Bailiwick of postal services by, or under the authority of, the States instead of by the Post Office;
    - (ii)
  - <sup>F156</sup>(c) an agreement between the Minister and the States of Guernsey providing for either or both of the following, namely,—
    - (i) the surrender by the Post Office, as regards the Bailiwick of Guernsey, of the privilege conferred on the Post Office by [<sup>F154</sup>the said section 66(1)] and the administration in that Bailiwick of postal services by, or under the authority of, the States instead of by the Post Office;
    - (ii)
- <sup>F157</sup>Her Majesty may by Order in Council make such provision as it appears to Her requisite or expedient to make in order to enable effect to be given to the agreement or in consequence of the conclusion thereof, including in particular, provision for the amendment or repeal of enactments (including enactments contained in this Act) or other instruments.
- (2) The power conferred by the foregoing subsection on Her Majesty to make an Order in Council shall include power, exercisable in like manner, to vary or revoke an Order in Council made in exercise of that power.

#### Textual Amendments

- F154** Words substituted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\) Sch. 3 para. 51\(8\)](#)  
**F155** [S. 87\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**

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- F156** S. 87(1)(b)(ii) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**
- F157** S. 87(1)(c)(ii) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**

*Extent of Part III and related Schedules*

**88 Extent of Part III and related Schedules.**

- (1) The following shall extend to the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands, namely,—
  - (a) this Part of this Act, except sections 76 and 77 and any provision which, by its terms, is limited in its operation to a part of the United Kingdom; and
  - (b) Schedules 1 and 2 to this Act.
- (2) Section 76 of, and Schedule 4 to, this Act shall—
  - (a) in their application to an enactment that is expressed (either in the Act containing it or in another Act, and either directly or indirectly) to extend to the Isle of Man, extend to that Isle; and
  - (b) in their application to an enactment that is so expressed to extend to the Channel Islands, extend to those Islands.
- (3)
- <sup>F158</sup>(4) <sup>M79</sup>Section 77 of, and Schedule 5 to, this Act—
  - (a) shall, <sup>F159</sup>, extend to the Isle of Man; and
  - (b) shall, except so far as relating to <sup>F160</sup> the Telegraph Act 1863, extend to the Channel Islands.
- (5) Subsections (1), (2) and (4) above shall have effect subject to the provisions of any Order in Council made under the last foregoing section.
- (6)<sup>F161</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

- F158** S. 88(3) repealed by [Civil Aviation \(Amendment\) Act 1982 \(c. 1\)](#), **Sch. 2**
- F159** Words repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**
- F160** Words repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**
- F161** S. 88(6) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**

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**Marginal Citations**

- M79** 1949 c. 67.

**PART IV**

**89**— ..... <sup>F162</sup>  
**92.**

**Textual Amendments**

- F162** Pt. IV (ss. 89–92) repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

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## PART V

### PROVISIONS FOR SECURING THE CONTINUANCE OF THE CARRYING ON, UNDER THE AUSPICES OF A DIRECTOR OF SAVINGS IN PLACE OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL, OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL BUSINESS

#### *The Director of Savings*

#### 93 Appointment, and functions and expenses, &c., of the Director of Savings.

- (1) ..... F163
- (3) ..... F164
- (4) ..... F165

#### Textual Amendments

**F163** S. 93(1)(2) repealed by National Debt Act 1972 (c. 65), s. 17, Sch.

**F164** S. 93(3) repealed by Parliamentary and Health Service Commissioners Act 1987 (c. 39, SIF 89), s. 10, Sch. 2

**F165** S. 93(4) repealed by S.I. 1988/1847 (N.I. 17), art. 16(2), Sch. 3 Pt. II; and expressed to be repealed (S.) (1.10.1993) by 1993 c. 9, s. 47(3), Sch. 7 Pt. I (with Sch. 6 paras. 1, 2); S.I. 1993/2050, art. 3(4) (with art. 4).

*Replacement of the Postmaster General by the Director of Savings for the Purposes of the Post Office Savings Bank Acts 1954 and 1966, and Provisions consequential thereon*

#### 94 The National Savings Bank.

- (1) ..... F166
- (2) <sup>F167</sup>, as from the appointed day, <sup>F167</sup> and—
  - (a) <sup>F167</sup> .....
  - (c) <sup>F167</sup> .....
  - (d) any reference to the Postmaster General in a nomination executed under regulations made, or having effect as if made, under section 2 of the <sup>M80</sup>Post Office Savings Bank Act 1954 shall be construed as referring to the Director of Savings.
- (3) The amendment of section 27 of the <sup>M81</sup>Crown Proceedings Act 1947 effected by virtue of subsection (2)(c) above is an amendment of that section as well in its application to the Crown in right of Her Majesty’s Government in Northern Ireland as in its application to the Crown in right of Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom.
- (4) ..... F166

#### Textual Amendments

**F166** Ss. 94(1)(4), 95–105 repealed by National Savings Bank Act 1971 (c. 29), Sch. 2

**F167** Words and s. 94(2)(a)(b) repealed by National Savings Bank Act 1971 (c. 29), Sch. 2

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Marginal Citations

- M80 1954 c. 62.
- M81 1947 c. 44.

95— ..... F168  
 105.

Textual Amendments

- F168 Ss. 94(1)(4), 95–105 repealed by National Savings Bank Act 1971 (c. 29), Sch. 2

106, ..... F169  
 107.

Textual Amendments

- F169 Ss. 106, 107 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. I

*Replacement of the Postmaster General by the Director of Savings for the Purposes of the National Debt Act 1958 and the National Loans Act 1968, and Provisions consequential thereon*

108 The stock register kept under Part I of the National Debt Act 1958.

- (1)<sup>F170</sup>(a) in section 48 of the <sup>M82</sup>Finance (No. 2) Act 1915 (procedure on death of a person entitled to government stock), for the words “the Postmaster General” there shall be substituted the words “the Director of Savings” ;
- (b) in sections 66 (transfer of government stock on authority of order of a court) and 67 (indemnity on transfer of government stock) of the <sup>M83</sup>Finance Act 1916, for the words “the Postmaster General” there shall be substituted the words “the Director of Savings” ;
- (c) ..... <sup>F171</sup>
- (d) in section 47(4)(c) of the <sup>M84</sup>Finance Act 1942 (transfer and registration of government stock), for the words “the Post Office register established under the <sup>M85</sup>War Loan (Supplemental Provisions) Act 1915”, there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Stock Register”;
- (e) ..... <sup>F172</sup>
- (f) in section 1(4)(c) of the <sup>M86</sup>Stock Transfer Act 1963 (simplified transfer of securities), for the words “the Post Office register” there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Stock Register”; and
- (g) any reference to the Postmaster General in a nomination executed under regulations made, or having effect as if made, under section 2 of the <sup>M87</sup>National Debt Act 1958 shall be construed as referring to the Director of Savings.

(2) ..... F173

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**Textual Amendments**

- F170** Words repealed by [National Debt Act 1972 \(c. 65\), s. 17, Sch.](#)
- F171** [S. 108\(1\)\(c\)](#) repealed by [Finance Act 1981 \(c. 26, SIF 96\), s. 187, Sch. 17 Pt. XII](#) and expressed to be repealed (20.7.1998) by [S.I. 1998/1446, 30\(2\), Sch. 2 Pt. I](#)
- F172** [S. 108 \(1\)\(e\)](#) repealed by [National Debt Act 1972 \(c. 65\), s. 17, Sch.](#)
- F173** [Ss. 108\(2\)–\(5\), 110–112](#) repealed by [National Debt Act 1972 \(c. 65\), s. 17, Sch.](#)

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C37** The text of [s. 108\(1\)\(a\)\(b\)\(d\)\(f\)](#) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

- M82** [1915 c. 89.](#)
- M83** [1916 c. 24.](#)
- M84** [1942 c. 21.](#)
- M85** [1915 c. 93.](#)
- M86** [1963 c. 18.](#)
- M87** [1958 c. 6 \(7 & 8 Eliz. 2\).](#)

**109 Power of the Treasury to raise money under the auspices of the Director of Savings.**

The power conferred by section 12 of the <sup>M88</sup>National Loans Act 1968 on the Treasury to raise money shall extend to raising money under the auspices of the Director of Savings and, in particular, by the issue, under his auspices, of national savings certificates;<sup>F174</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

- F174** Words repealed by [Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 \(c. 10\), ss. 537\(1\), 539, Sch. 16](#)

**Marginal Citations**

- M88** [1968 c. 13.](#)

**110—** .....<sup>F175</sup>  
**112.**

**Textual Amendments**

- F175** [Ss. 108\(2\)–\(5\), 110–112](#) repealed by [National Debt Act 1972 \(c. 65\), s. 17, Sch.](#)

*Credits to the Post Office in respect of certain capital Expenditure incurred by the Postmaster General in Connection with annuity, savings bank and national debt Functions*

<sup>F176</sup>**113** .....

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**Textual Amendments**

**F176** S. 113 repealed (U.K. & Isle of Man)(19.11.1998) by 1998 c. 43, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. X** Group 5

*Extent of Part V and Schedule 6*

**114 Extent of Part V and Schedule 6.**

This Part of this Act and Schedule 6 thereto shall extend to the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

**PART VI**

STAMPS AND STAMP DUTIES

*Stamps*

**115,** ..... <sup>F177</sup>  
**116.**

**Textual Amendments**

**F177** Ss. 115, 116 repealed by **Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1976 (c. 16), Sch. 1 Pt. XVIII**

**117 Application of section 9 of the Stamp Act 1891, and provisions as to proceedings thereunder relating to postage stamps.**

- (1) As from the appointed day, section 9 of the <sup>M89</sup>Stamp Act 1891 (penalty for frauds in relation to adhesive stamps) shall have effect as if references therein to such stamps included references to adhesive postage stamps.
- (2) The following enactments making provision with respect to the institution of, and otherwise in relation to, proceedings for the recovery of fines under the Acts relating to inland revenue, namely, sections 21, 22 and 35 of the Inland Revenue Regulation Act 1890, section 121 of the <sup>M90</sup>Stamp Act 1891 and section 7(5) of the <sup>M91</sup>Revenue Act 1898, shall not apply to proceedings in respect of an offence under section 9 of the Stamp Act 1891 committed on or after the appointed day in relation to a postage stamp, but any such proceedings shall be summary ones.

**Marginal Citations**

**M89** 1890 c. 21.  
**M90** 1891 c. 39.  
**M91** 1898 c. 46.

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**118 Application of section 13 of the Stamp Duties Management Act 1891 to frauds touching postage stamps, and consequential amendment of section 16 of that Act.**

- (1) The definitions of “die” and “stamp” in section 27 of the <sup>M92</sup>Stamp Duties Management Act 1891 shall, for the purposes of the application thereof, on and after the appointed day, to section 13 of that Act (offences in relation to dies and stamps), have effect as if the reference to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue included a reference to the Post Office and as if references to any duty included references to postage.
- (2) Matters or things seized under the authority of a warrant issued under section 16 of the said Act of 1891 on or after the appointed day shall, if they relate to postage, be delivered to the Post Office instead of to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue.

**Marginal Citations**

M92 1891 c. 38.

**119 Power of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue to stamp paper for the Post Office.**

The Commissioners of Inland Revenue may make arrangements with the Post Office whereunder they, in consideration of the making to them by it of such payments as may be agreed between them and it with the approval of the Treasury, stamp paper sent to them for the purpose of its being stamped for use as postcards or reply-postcards or covers or envelopes of postal packets with stamps denoting the appropriate postage.

**120 Validity of existing stamps.**

Stamps current immediately before the appointed day for denoting duties of postage (whether or not they denote also other duties) shall be deemed for all purposes to be postage stamps.

**121** ..... F178

**Textual Amendments**

F178 S. 121 repealed by [Social Security Act 1973 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 28 Pt. I](#)

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

C38 S. 121: power to continue conferred (1.7.1992) by [Social Security \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1992 \(c. 6\)](#), ss. 5, 7(2), [Sch. 3 para.15](#)

**122** ..... F179

**Textual Amendments**

F179 S. 122 repealed by [National Debt Act 1972 \(c. 65\)](#), s. 17, [Sch.](#)

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## 123 Meaning of “postage” and “postage stamp”.

In the foregoing provisions of this Part of this Act, “postage” (except in the expression “duties of postage”), means postage chargeable by the Post Office, and “postage stamp” shall be construed accordingly.

124— ..... F180  
126.

### Textual Amendments

**F180** Ss. 124–126 repealed by Finance Act 1970 (c. 24), **Sch. 8 Pt. V** and Finance Act (Northern Ireland) 1970 (c. 21), **Sch. 3 Pt. III**

127 ..... F181

### Textual Amendments

**F181** Ss. 127, 130, 131 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

### *Special Provisions with respect to Northern Ireland*

## 128 Application of foregoing provisions of Part VI to Northern Ireland.

In the application of the foregoing provisions of this Part of this Act to Northern Ireland:—

- (a) <sup>F182</sup> .....
- (b) for any reference to Great Britain there shall be substituted a reference to Northern Ireland;
- (c) any reference (except in sections 117 and 122) to the <sup>M93</sup>Stamp Duties Management Act 1891 or to the <sup>M94</sup>Stamp Act 1891 shall be construed as a reference to that Act as it applies to stamp duties chargeable in Northern Ireland or to stamps which may denote any such duties, as the case may require;
- (d) <sup>F182</sup> .....
- (e) <sup>F183</sup> .....

### Textual Amendments

**F182** S. 128(a),(d) repealed by S.I. 1973/2163, **Sch. 6**

**F183** S. 128(e) repealed by Finance Act (Northern Ireland) 1970 (c. 21), **Sch. 3 Pt. III**

### Marginal Citations

**M93** 1891 c. 38.

**M94** 1891 c. 39.



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## 129 Exemption of Act from stamp duty in Northern Ireland.

- (1) Section 12 of the <sup>M95</sup>Finance Act 1895 (which, in its application to Northern Ireland, requires a person in whom property is, by virtue of an Act, vested by way of sale to produce to the [<sup>F184</sup>Department of Finance for Northern Ireland] a copy of the Act stamped with the duty payable on a conveyance on sale) shall not operate to require the delivery to that [<sup>F184</sup>Department] of a copy of this Act <sup>F185</sup> or the payment of stamp duty under that section on any copy of this Act <sup>F186</sup>
- (2) Section 9 of the <sup>M96</sup>Finance Act (Northern Ireland) 1936 (presentation to the [<sup>F184</sup>Department of Finance for Northern Ireland] of particulars relating to transfers of land) shall not apply in relation to any vesting of an estate or interest in land in the Post Office effected by this Act.
- (3) This section extends to Northern Ireland only.

### Textual Amendments

- F184** Words substituted by virtue of [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\), Sch. 5 para. 8\(1\)](#)  
**F185** Words repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)  
**F186** Words “or any copy of such an order” omitted by virtue of [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 6 Pt. I](#) (repealing words “or any copy of any such order”)

### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C39** Functions of Department of Finance for Northern Ireland relating to stamp duty transferred to Commissioners of Inland Revenue: [S.I. 1973/2163, art. 4\(1\)](#)

### Marginal Citations

- M95** 1895 c. 16.  
**M96** 1936 c. 33 (N.I.)

## PART VII

### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

130. .... <sup>F187</sup>  
131.

### Textual Amendments

- F187** [Ss.127, 130, 131](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

## 132 Extension of regulation-making power under section 52(2) of the Government Annuities Act 1929.

- (1) In section 52(2) of the <sup>M97</sup>Government Annuities Act 1929 (which empowers the National Debt Commissioners, with the concurrence of the Treasury, to make regulations for carrying out the provisions of Part II of that Act so far as regards any annuities or insurances granted by the Commissioners, either directly or through any parochial or other society, and so far as the trustees of savings banks are concerned),

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the words from “so far as regards” to “concerned” shall cease to have effect on the appointed day.

- (2) Without prejudice to <sup>F188</sup>section 13 of the <sup>M98</sup>Interpretation Act 1978], the power to make regulations under the said section 52(2), in so far as it is conferred by virtue of the foregoing subsection, may be exercised at any time after the passing of this Act as if that subsection had come into operation on the passing of this Act, but so that regulations made by virtue of that subsection shall not come into operation before the appointed day.
- (3) This section shall extend to the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

#### Textual Amendments

**F188** Words substituted by virtue of [Interpretation Act 1978 \(c. 30\), s. 25\(2\)](#)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

**C40** The text of ss. 132(1), 137(1)(2), 141(1) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

#### Marginal Citations

**M97** 1929 c. 29.

**M98** 1978 c. 30.

### 133 Power of managers of certain welfare funds to preserve their scope.

- (1) A fund to which this section applies is one (whether described by the addition thereto of the attribute “welfare”, “benevolent” or “mutual aid” or by the addition thereto of any other attribute) the objects of which consist in, or include, the provision for persons who are, or have been, employed in the department of the Postmaster General, or for such persons of any class or description, or for the relatives or dependants of persons who are, or have been, so employed or of such persons of any class or description, of benefits in case of need, sickness or distress, and a society or organisation to which this section applies is one (however described) the objects of which are similar; and, in this section, “managers” in relation to a fund, society or organisation, means the trustees, committee or other persons entrusted with its management.
- (2) The provisions of the trust deed, rules, regulations or other instrument constituting or regulating a fund, society or organisation to which this section applies may, by resolution of the managers of the fund, society or organisation, be altered—
- (a) so as to permit persons of any of the following descriptions, namely,—
- (i) officers or servants of the Post Office (past or present);
  - (ii) persons who, having been employed in the department of the Postmaster General, are or have been, in consequence of this Act, employed in the department of the Minister; <sup>F189</sup>
  - (iii) persons who, having been employed in the department of the Postmaster General, are or have been, in consequence of this Act, employed in the Department for National Savings; <sup>F190</sup>
  - <sup>F191</sup>(iv) persons who, having been employed in the department of the Postmaster General, are or have been, in consequence of such an agreement as is mentioned in paragraph (b)(i) or (c)(i) of

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subsection (1) of section 87 of this Act and of such an Order in Council as is mentioned in that subsection, employed by the States of Jersey or by the States of Guernsey;]

[<sup>F192</sup>(v) without prejudice to the generality of (i) above, persons who, having been officers or servants of the Post Office, are or have been in consequence of such an agreement as is mentioned in paragraph (b) (ii) or (c)(ii) of subsection (1) of section 87 of this Act and of such an Order in Council as is mentioned in that subsection, employed by the States of Jersey or by the States of Guernsey;][<sup>F193</sup>and]

[<sup>F194</sup>(vi) without prejudice to the generality of (i) above, 0 persons who, having been officers or servants of the Post Office, are or have been in consequence of such an agreement as is mentioned in paragraph (a) (i) of subsection (1) of section 87 of this Act and of such an Order in Council as is mentioned in that subsection, employed by the Isle of Man Post Office Authority];

or persons who are members of a class of persons of any of those descriptions, to become members of, or subscribers to, the fund, society or organisation;

(b) so as, in the case of persons of the said descriptions or persons who are members of a class of persons of any of those descriptions, to entitle them and persons claiming in right of them (subject to such, if any, terms and conditions as may be specified in the resolution) to receive benefits from the fund, society or organisation if, and to the extent that, they would be entitled to receive benefits therefrom if employment by the Post Office, employment in the department of the Minister <sup>F195</sup>, employment in the Department for National Savings [<sup>F196F197</sup> employment by the States of Jersey or by the States of Guernsey][<sup>F198</sup>or, as the case may be, employment by the Isle of Man Post Office Authority] were employment in the department of the Postmaster General;

but so that no alteration be made that alters the character of the fund, society or organisation.

(3) If a resolution of the managers of a fund, society or organisation to which this section applies so provides, any reference in the trust deed, rules, regulations or other instrument constituting or regulating the fund, society or organisation to the Postmaster General or his department (not being a reference in a context referring, in whatever terms, to persons employed in that department or persons so employed of a specified description) shall be construed as referring (or, if the context so requires, as including a reference) to the Post Office, and any reference in that instrument, in whatever terms, to persons so employed or persons so employed of a specified description shall be construed as referring (or, if the context so requires, as including a reference) to officers and servants of the Post Office or, as the case may be, to officers and servants thereof of a corresponding description.

(4) For the purposes of a resolution deriving validity from this section, the definition of a class of persons may be framed by reference to any circumstances whatsoever.

#### Textual Amendments

**F189** Word repealed by S.I. 1969/1368, art. 8(a)

**F190** Word repealed by S.I. 1972/1816, art. 7

**F191** S. 133(2)(a)(iv) added by S.I. 1969/1368, art. 8(a)

**F192** S. 133(2)(a)(v) added by S.I. 1972/1816, art. 7

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- F193** Word added by S.I. 1973/960, **art. 10(a)**  
**F194** S. 133(a)(vi) added by S.I. 1973/960, **art. 10(a)**  
**F195** Words repealed by S.I. 1969/1368, **art. 8(b)**  
**F196** Words inserted by S.I. 1969/1368, **art. 8(b)**  
**F197** Words repealed by S.I. 1973/960, **art. 10(b)**  
**F198** Words inserted by S.I. 1973/960, **art. 10(b)**

**134 Issue by local authorities in Great Britain of dog and game licences.**

- (1) As from the appointed day, licences [<sup>F199</sup>for dogs] shall be issued [<sup>F199</sup>in Great Britain] by the councils having power to levy the duties [<sup>F199</sup>thereon and so.] in England and Wales, [<sup>F199</sup>shall licences] for dealing in, or killing, game.
- (2) A council [<sup>F200</sup>in Great Britain] having power to levy the duties on any such licences as aforesaid may employ persons to act as its agents for the purpose of the issue of the licences and may pay to persons employed so to act such reasonable remuneration as it thinks fit.

**Textual Amendments**

- F199** Words repealed (E.W.S.) by [Local Government Act 1988 \(c. 9, SIF 81:1, 2\)](#), s. 41, **Sch. 7 Pt. IV**  
**F200** Words repealed (E.W.S.) by [Local Government Act 1988 \(c. 9, SIF 81:1, 2\)](#), s. 41, **Sch. 7 Pt. IV**

**135 Remuneration of the Post Office for issuing dog and game licences in England and Wales.**

- (1) Any sums falling to be paid by the [<sup>F201</sup>Secretary of State] to the Post Office in pursuance of any agreement to which he, it and a council in England or Wales are parties, being—
  - (a) an agreement providing for the issue by the Post Office, on behalf of the council, of licences of all or any of the following kinds, namely, [<sup>F202</sup>licences for dogs,] licences for dealing in game and licences for killing game, and the payment by that Minister to the Post Office of sums in consideration of its issuing the licences; or
  - (b) an agreement providing for the payment by [<sup>F201</sup>the Secretary of State] to the Post Office of sums in consideration of its issuing, on behalf of the council, licences of all or any of those kinds in compliance with a direction under section 12 of this Act;
 shall be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament.
- (2) Where licences of any such kinds as aforesaid are, in compliance with a direction under section 12 of this Act, issued by the Post Office on behalf of a council in England or Wales during a period during which an agreement is in force between the council and the [<sup>F201</sup>Secretary of State] providing for the payment to the Post Office by [<sup>F201</sup>the Secretary of State] of sums in consideration of its issuing the licences (not being an agreement to which the Post Office is a party), the Post Office shall be entitled, in consideration of its issuing the licences, to receive payment from [<sup>F201</sup>the Secretary of State] (of an amount to be determined, in the event of a dispute's arising as to the amount thereof, by the [<sup>F201</sup>Secretary of State]); and any sums falling to be paid by [<sup>F201</sup>the Secretary of State] in pursuance of this subsection shall be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament.

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- (3) Where licences of any such kinds as aforesaid are, in compliance with a direction under section 12 of this Act, issued by the Post Office on behalf of a council in England or Wales during a period during which no agreement is in force between the council and the [<sup>F201</sup>Secretary of State] providing for the payment to the Post Office by [<sup>F201</sup>the Secretary of State] of sums in consideration of its issuing the licences, the Post Office shall be entitled, in consideration of its issuing the licences, to receive payment from the council (of an amount to be determined, in the event of a dispute's arising as to the amount thereof, by the [<sup>F201</sup>Secretary of State]).

#### Textual Amendments

**F201** Words substituted by virtue of S.I. 1970/1681, arts. 2, 6(3)

**F202** Words repealed (E.W.S.) by Local Government Act 1988 (c. 9, SIF 81:1, 2), s. 41, Sch. 7 Pt. IV

### 136 Expenses.

Any increase attributable to the provisions of this Act in sums which, under any other enactment (other than the Ministers of the <sup>M99</sup>Crown Act 1964), are defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament shall be defrayed out of moneys so provided, and any increase so attributable in sums which under any other enactment are defrayed out of the Consolidated Fund or the National Loans Fund shall be defrayed out of the first- or last-mentioned fund, as the case may be.

#### Marginal Citations

**M99** 1964 c. 98.

### 137 Cesser of obsolete, &c. enactments.

- (1) The enactments specified in columns I and 2 of Part I of Schedule 8 to this Act (which, to the extent specified in column 3 of that Part, are obsolete, spent or unnecessary) shall cease to have effect to that extent on the passing of this Act ; and the enactments specified in columns 1 and 2 of Part II of that Schedule (which, to the extent specified in column 3 of that Part, will, in consequence of this Act, become unnecessary or inappropriate) shall cease to have effect to that extent on the appointed day.
- (2) The repeal by this section of section 4 of the <sup>M100</sup>Commonwealth Telegraphs Act 1949 shall not affect the title of the Postmaster General to any property vested in him by virtue of that section.
- (3) The repeal by this section of section 43 of the <sup>M101</sup>Post Office Act 1953 and of provisions of sections 44 and 45 thereof shall not operate to annul any provision of a local Act or order requiring the performance of services in regard to the conveyance of mails; and, accordingly, any such provision shall be construed as if that repeal had not been effected.
- (4) This section, and the said Schedule 8, shall extend to the Isle of Man, so far as regards any enactment specified in that Schedule that so extends, and shall extend to the Channel Islands, so far as regards any enactment so specified that so extends.

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

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**Marginal Citations**

**M100** 1949 c. 39

**M101** 1953 c. 36.

**138 Transitional provisions.**

- (1) The general transitional provisions contained in Schedule 9 to this Act, and the special transitional provisions with respect to patents for inventions and registered designs contained in Schedule 10 to this Act, shall have effect.
- (2) This section and the said Schedules 9 and 10 shall extend to the Isle of Man, and this section and the said Schedule 9 shall extend to the Channel Islands.

**139 Application to Northern Ireland.**

- (1) In the application of this <sup>M102</sup>Act to Northern Ireland—
  - (a) any reference to an enactment of the Parliament of Northern Ireland (except a reference to Schedule 5 or 6 to the Roads Act (Northern Ireland) 1948) or to an enactment which that Parliament has power to amend—
    - (i) shall, except in Schedule 4 to this Act, be construed as including a reference to any enactment of the Parliament of Northern Ireland passed after this Act and re-enacting the said enactment with or without modification;
    - (ii) shall, except so far as the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended by any enactment, whether passed before or after this Act, and including a reference thereto as extended or applied by or under any other enactment, including this Act;
  - (b) “Act” and “enactment” (except in subsection (1) of the next following section) respectively include an Act and an enactment of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.
- (2) ..... <sup>F203</sup>
- (3) <sup>F204</sup>, regulations made by the [<sup>F205</sup>Secretary of State] under the <sup>M103</sup>Civil Defence Act (Northern Ireland) 1950 may apply to the Post Office such of the provisions of the <sup>M104</sup>Civil Defence Act (Northern Ireland) 1939 (except section 7(4) thereof) relating to public utility undertakers as may be specified in the regulations and may specify the [<sup>F205</sup>Secretary of State] as the appropriate department in relation to the Post Office for the purpose of the application of any provisions so specified to the Post Office.
- (4) ..... <sup>F206</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F203** S. 139(2) repealed by [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

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**F204** Words repealed by [S.I. 1973/2163, Sch. 6](#)

**F205** Words substituted by [S.I. 1973/2163, Sch. 5 para. 20\(b\)](#)

**F206** S. 139(4) repealed by [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\), Sch. 6 Pt. II](#)

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C42** References to Acts or enactments of the Parliament of Northern Ireland to be construed as including references to Measures of the Northern Ireland Assembly: [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\), Sch. 5 para. 1\(1\)\(2\)](#)

**Marginal Citations**

**M102** 1948 c. 28 (N.I.)

**M103** 1950 c. 11 (N.I.)

**M104** 1939 c. 15 (N.I.)

**140 Construction of references to enactments.**

- (1) Any reference in this Act to any other enactment shall, except so far as the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended, and including a reference thereto as extended or applied, by or under any other enactment, including this Act.
- (2) Any reference in an Act passed before the passing of this Act to an enactment which is amended by this Act shall, unless the contrary intention appears, be construed, as from the day on which the amendment takes effect, as referring to that enactment as so amended.

**141 Repeals.**

- (1) The enactments specified in columns 1 and 2 of Part I of Schedule 11 to this Act shall, on the passing of this Act, be repealed to the extent specified in column 3 of that Part (but subject to the provision made at the end of that Part), the enactments specified in columns 1 and 2 of Part II of that Schedule shall, on the appointed day, be repealed to the extent specified in column 3 of that Part and the Orders in Council specified in columns I and 2 of Part III of that Schedule shall, on that day, be revoked to the extent specified in column 3 of that Part.
- (2) A reference in column 3 of Part II of Schedule 11 to this Act to an enactment shall be taken to refer as well to it as incorporated in any Act or other instrument as to it as originally enacted.
- (3) This section, and Parts I and II of the said Schedule 11, shall extend to the Isle of Man, so far as regards any enactment specified in those Parts that so extends, and shall extend to the Channel Islands, so far as regards any enactment so specified that so extends.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C43** The text of ss. 132(1), 137(1)(2), 141(1) is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

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**142 Short title.**

This Act may be cited as the Post Office Act 1969.



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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 1

Sections 6, 43, 88.

#### INCIDENTAL PROVISIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE POST OFFICE AND THE MEMBERS THEREOF

##### *Status*

- 1 The Post Office shall be a body corporate having perpetual succession and a common seal.

##### *Members*

- 2 (1) A member of the Post Office shall hold and vacate his office in accordance with the terms of his appointment and shall, on ceasing to be a member, be eligible for re-appointment.
- (2) ..... F207
- (3) A member may at any time by notice in writing to the Minister resign his office.

##### **Textual Amendments**

**F207** Sch. 1 paras. 2(2), 4(2) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

- 3 (1) Before appointing a person to be a member of the Post Office the Minister shall satisfy himself that that person will have no such financial or other interest as is likely to affect prejudicially the exercise and performance by him of his functions as a member of the Post Office, and the Minister shall also satisfy himself from time to time with respect to every member of the Post Office that he has no such interest; and a person who is, or whom the Minister proposes to appoint to be, a member of the Post Office shall, whenever requested by the Minister so to do, furnish to him such information as the Minister considers necessary for the performance by the Minister of his duties under this paragraph.
- (2) A member of the Post Office who is in any way directly or indirectly interested in a contract made or proposed to be made by the Post Office, or in a contract made or proposed to be made by a subsidiary of the Post Office which is brought up for consideration by the Post Office, shall disclose the nature of his interest at a meeting of the Post Office; and the disclosure shall be recorded in the minutes of the Post Office, and the member shall not take any part in any deliberation or decision of the Post Office with respect to that contract.
- (3) For the purposes of the last foregoing sub-paragraph, a general notice given at a meeting of the Post Office by a member thereof to the effect that he is a member of a specified company or firm and is to be regarded as interested in any contract which may, after the date of the notice, be made with the company or firm, shall be regarded as a sufficient disclosure of his interest in relation to any contract so made or proposed to be so made.

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(4) A member of the Post Office need not attend in person at a meeting of the Post Office in order to make a disclosure which he is required to make under this paragraph if he takes reasonable steps to secure that the disclosure is made by a notice which is brought up and read at the meeting.

4 (1) The Post Office—

- (a) shall pay to the members thereof such salaries or fees, and such allowances, as the Minister may determine; and
- (b) as regards any member in whose case the Minister may so determine, shall pay such pension, allowance or gratuity to or in respect of him or make such payments towards the provision of such a pension, allowance or gratuity as may be so determined;

and, if a person ceases to be a member of the Post Office and it appears to the Minister that there are special circumstances which make it right that that person should receive compensation, the Minister may require the Post Office to pay to that person a sum of such amount as the Minister may determine.

(2) ..... F208

(3) The approval of [<sup>F209</sup>the Treasury] shall be requisite to a determination under this paragraph by the Minister and to the imposition thereunder by him of a requirement.

**Textual Amendments**  
**F208** Sch. 1 paras. 2(2), 4(2) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)  
**F209** Words substituted by virtue of [S.I. 1981/1670](#), [arts. 2\(1\)\(a\), 3\(5\)](#)

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**  
**C44** Sch. 1 para. 4 modified (22.3.2001) by [S.I. 2001/1148](#), [art. 18](#) (with [art. 34](#))

5 (1) If the Minister is satisfied that a member of the Post Office—

- (a) has been absent from meetings of the Post Office for a period longer than three consecutive months without the permission of the Post Office; or
- (b) has become bankrupt or made an arrangement with his creditors; or
- (c) is incapacitated by physical or mental illness; or
- (d) is otherwise unable or unfit to discharge the functions of a member;

the Minister may declare his office as a member of the Post Office to be vacant, and shall notify the fact in such manner as the Minister thinks fit; and thereupon the office shall become vacant.

(2) In the application of this paragraph to Scotland, for the references in head (b) of sub-paragraph (1) to a member's having become bankrupt and to a member's having made an arrangement with his creditors there shall be substituted respectively references to sequestration of a member's estate having been awarded and to a member's having made a trust deed for behoof of his creditors or a composition contract.

6 ..... F210

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**Textual Amendments**

**F210** Sch. 1 para. 6 repealed by [House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 \(c. 24\)](#), **Sch. 3**

*Proceedings*

- 7 The validity of any proceedings of the Post Office shall not be affected by a vacancy amongst the members thereof or by a defect in the appointment of a member.
- 8 The quorum of the Post Office shall be three; and, while a member is disqualified from taking part in a decision or deliberation of the Post Office with respect to a matter, he shall be disregarded for the purpose of constituting a quorum of the Post Office for deciding, or deliberating on, that matter.
- 9 Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Schedule, the Post Office shall have power to regulate its own procedure.

*Staff*

- 10 The Post Office shall appoint a secretary of the Post Office and may appoint such other officers and such servants as it may determine.
- 11 (1) Except so far as the Post Office is satisfied that adequate machinery exists for achieving the purposes of this paragraph, being machinery for operation at national level or local level or a level falling between those levels and appearing to the Post Office to be appropriate, it shall be the duty of the Post Office to seek consultation with any organisation appearing to it to be appropriate with a view to the conclusion between it and that organisation of such agreements as appear to the parties to be desirable with respect to the establishment and maintenance, for operation at any such level as aforesaid, of machinery for—
  - (a) the settlement by negotiation of terms and conditions of employment of persons employed by the Post Office, with provision for reference to arbitration in default of such settlement in such cases as may be determined by or under the agreements;
  - (b) the promotion and encouragement of measures affecting efficiency, in any respect, in the carrying on by the Post Office of its activities, including in particular, the promotion and encouragement of the training of persons employed by the Post Office; and
  - (c) the promotion and encouragement of measures affecting the safety, health and welfare of persons so employed.

(2) ..... F211

(4) Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as prohibiting the Post Office from taking part together with other employers or organisations of employers in the establishment and maintenance of machinery for the settlement of terms and conditions of employment and the promotion and encouragement of measures affecting efficiency in the carrying on of their activities and the promotion and encouragement of measures affecting the safety, health and welfare of persons employed by them.

(5) ..... F211

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### Textual Amendments

**F211** Sch. 1 para. 11(2)(3)(5) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

- 12 (1) Except with the Minister’s consent, the Post Office shall not terminate on security grounds the employment of a person employed by it.
- (2) In this paragraph, “security grounds” means grounds which are grounds for dismissal from the civil service of Her Majesty in accordance with any arrangements for the time being in force relating to dismissals from that service for reasons of national security.

### *Fixing of Seal and Proof of Instruments*

- 13 The fixing of the seal of the Post Office shall be authenticated by the signature of the secretary of the Post Office or of some other person authorised, either generally or specially, by the Post Office to act for that purpose.
- 14 A certificate signed by the secretary of the Post Office that an instrument purporting to be made or issued by or on behalf of the Post Office was so made or issued shall be conclusive evidence of that fact.
- 15 Every document purporting to be an instrument made or issued by or on behalf of the Post Office and to be duly executed under the seal of the Post Office, or to be signed or executed by the secretary of the Post Office or a person authorised by the Post Office to act in that behalf shall be received in evidence and deemed, without further proof, to be so made or issued unless the contrary is shown.

## SCHEDULE 2

Sections 41, 88.

### CLASSES OF ASSETS TO BE HELD BY THE POST OFFICE TO MATCH ITS DEBTS TO ITS BANKING CUSTOMERS

#### PART I

### CLASSES OF ASSETS TO BE HELD TO MATCH A PROPORTION, DETERMINED UNDER SECTION 41 OF THIS ACT, OF DEBTS

- 1 Cash.
- 2 Money held on current account by other bankers on behalf of the Post Office in its capacity as the provider, in exercise of the power conferred on it by virtue of section 7(1)(b) of this Act, of a banking service.
- 3 Loans repayable either on demand or not later than the expiration of the period of fourteen days beginning with the day next following that on which notice is given to the borrower requiring repayment, being loans in the case of each of which the

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following condition is satisfied on each day on which it is outstanding, that is to say, that it is secured on one or more of the following, namely,—

- (a) Treasury bills and bills of Her Majesty's Government in Northern Ireland;
- (b) accepted and transferable bills of exchange payable at a fixed period after date or sight expiring before the end of the fifth anniversary of that day;
- (c) marketable fixed interest securities issued by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, Her Majesty's Government in Northern Ireland or the Government of the Isle of Man, being securities redeemable (otherwise than at the option of the issuer thereof) before the end of that anniversary;
- (d) marketable fixed interest securities in the case of which the payment of interest thereon is guaranteed by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, Her Majesty's Government in Northern Ireland or the Government of the Isle of Man, being securities redeemable (otherwise than at the option of the issuer thereof) before the end of that anniversary.

- 4 Loans of either of the kinds mentioned in paragraph 9 of Part II of Schedule 1 to the <sup>M105</sup>Trustee Investments Act 1961, being loans repayable as mentioned in the last foregoing paragraph.

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**Marginal Citations**

M105 1961 c. 62.

- 5 Treasury bills payable not more than ninety-one days from date and bills of Her Majesty's Government in Northern Ireland so payable.
- 6 Assets of such other class as may from time to time be designated for the purposes of this Part of this Schedule by the Post Office with the approval of the Treasury.

## PART II

### CLASSES OF ASSETS TO BE HELD TO MATCH THE RESIDUE OF DEBTS

- 7 Cash.
- 8 Money held as mentioned in paragraph 2 above.
- 9 Loans of the class specified in paragraph 3 above.
- 10 Loans of the class specified in paragraph 4 above.
- 11 Treasury bills and bills of Her Majesty's Government in Northern Ireland.

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- 12 Assets of a class for the time being designated under paragraph 6 above.
- 13 Marketable fixed interest securities issued by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, Her Majesty's Government in Northern Ireland or the Government of the Isle of Man, being securities redeemable (otherwise than at the option of the issuer thereof) before the end of the fifth anniversary of the day on which the Post Office acquires them.
- 14 Marketable fixed interest securities in the case of which the payment of interest thereon is guaranteed by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, Her Majesty's Government in Northern Ireland or the Government of the Isle of Man, being securities redeemable (otherwise than at the option of the issuer thereof) before the end of the fifth anniversary of the day on which the Post Office acquires them.
- 15 Loans of either of the kinds mentioned in paragraph 9 of Part II of Schedule 1 to the <sup>M106</sup>Trustee Investments Act 1961, being loans made on terms that they will, without any demands' being made, or notices' being given, by the persons entitled to repayment, be repaid before the end of the fifth anniversary of the day on which they are made.

**Marginal Citations**

**M106** 1961 c. 62.

- 16 Securities of the kind mentioned in the said paragraph 9, being securities redeemable (otherwise than at the option of the issuer thereof) before the end of the fifth anniversary of the day on which the Post Office acquires them.
- 17 Assets of such other class as may from time to time be designated for the purposes of this Part of this Schedule by the Post Office with the approval of the Treasury.

SCHEDULE 3

Section 56.

MODIFICATIONS OF SCHEDULES 5 AND 6 TO THE <sup>M107</sup>ROADS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1948 FOR THE PURPOSES OF ORDERS MADE UNDER SECTION 56 OF THIS ACT

**Marginal Citations**

**M107** 1948 c. 28 (N.I.)

- 1 For any reference in Schedule 5 to the Roads Act (Northern Ireland) 1948 to an authority or a local authority or to the functions of a local authority as a road authority

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there shall be substituted a reference to the Post Office or to the functions of the Post Office as the case may require.

- 2 For any reference in Schedules 5 and 6 to the said Act of 1948 to the Ministry within the meaning of that Act there shall be substituted a reference to the Minister.
- 3
  - (1) Paragraph 2(2) of the said Schedule 5 shall be omitted.
  - (2) In paragraph 2(3)(c) of the said Schedule 5, after the word “served”, there shall be inserted the words “by post by means of the recorded delivery service”.
- 4 For any reference in the said Schedules to the said Act of 1948 there shall be substituted a reference to this Act.
- 5
  - (1) For the purposes of a vesting order in respect of an estate in land, being an estate less than a fee simple, the said Schedule 5 shall have effect with such modifications as may be necessary to enable such an estate to be acquired by means of the vesting order and to enable compensation in respect thereof to be duly paid or discharged and (without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions) shall have effect as if for the words in paragraph 5 of the said Schedule 5 from “A vesting order” to “under this Schedule” there were substituted the following words— “ A vesting order shall operate, without further assurance, to vest in the Post Office, as from the date on which the vesting order becomes operative (in this Schedule referred to as “the date of vesting”), all such estates in, to or over the land to which the order relates as are specified in the order, freed and discharged from all the estates of any other person whosoever therein except in so far as is otherwise expressly provided in the order, and the rights and claims of any such other person in respect of an estate so vested shall, as from the date of vesting be transferred and attached, to the extent to which compensation may be payable in accordance with this Schedule, to the funds of the Post Office (in this Schedule referred to as “the compensation fund”) and shall be discharged by payments made by the Post Office ”.
  - (2) In the said paragraph 5, for the words from “be the date” onwards there shall be substituted the words “be the date on which the vesting order becomes operative or the date of the lodgment of the vesting order with the registering authority under that Act, whichever is the later”.
- 6 In paragraph 10 of the said Schedule 5, for the words from “signed” to the end of head (b), there shall be substituted the words “signed by such person as may be designated for the purposes of this Schedule by the Post Office”.

#### SCHEDULE 4

Sections 76, 88, 139.

ADAPTATIONS OF ENACTMENTS AND ORDERS IN COUNCIL CONSEQUENTIAL  
ON THE ASSUMPTION BY THE NEW AUTHORITY FOR THE CONDUCT OF

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POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHIC BUSINESS OF FUNCTIONS EXERCISED AND  
PERFORMED BEFORE THE APPOINTED DAY BY THE POSTMASTER GENERAL

**PART I**

INTERPRETATION

- 1 In this Schedule “the authority” means the authority established by section 6 of this Act.

**PART II**

ADAPTATIONS OF PUBLIC GENERAL ENACTMENTS

*Adaptations of Enactments relating to the Post*

- 2 (1) With reference to any point of time after the beginning of the appointed day, any reference in the provisions of the <sup>M108</sup>Post Office Act 1953 (hereafter in this paragraph referred to as the “principal Act”) specified in the following table to the Post Office (except in the expression “an officer of the Post Office”) shall be construed as referring to the authority, and any reference in those provisions to an officer of the Post Office shall be construed as referring to a person engaged in the business of the authority.

TABLE

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Subject-matter</i>
	F212
	. . .
Section 16	Application of customs Acts to postal packets.
Section 22	Issuing money orders with fraudulent intent.
Section 24	Arrangements with other countries as to money orders.
Section 25	Outward bound ships.
Section 26	Inward bound ships and aircraft.
Section 27	Owners’ letters.
Section 28	Retention of postal packets after delivery of part thereof to Post Office.
Section 32	Penalty for opening of mail-bag by master or commander of ship or aircraft.
[ F213	[ F213
Section 33]	



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	Power to require provision of regular mail-trains.]
[ F213	[ F213
Section 34]	Additional provisions as to regular mail-trains.]
[ F213	[ F213
Section 38]	Conveyance of mail-bags by railway otherwise than as part of regular mail-train services.]
[ F213	[ F213
Section 41]	Offences relating to conveyance of mails by railway.]
[ F213	[ F213
Section 42]	Conveyance of mail-bags on ships used by railway undertakers.]
Section 45	Additional provisions as to conveyance of mail-bags by public service vehicles.
Section 53	Unlawfully taking away or opening mail-bags.
Section 55	Fraudulent retention of mail-bag or postal packet.
Section 57	Stealing, embezzlement, destruction, &c., by officer of the Post Office of postal packet.
Section 58	Opening or delaying of postal packets by officers of the Post Office.
Section 65	Obstruction and molestation of officers of the Post Office.
Section 76	Recovery of sums from officers of the Post Office.
Section 79	Surrender of clothing by officer of the Post Office on ceasing to be officer.
Section 90	Prosecution of offences in the Isle of Man.

(2) Section 8(3) of the principal Act (mode of dealing with packets posted in contravention of the Act or of regulations thereunder) shall, as from the appointed day, have effect as if, for the references to regulations made under the Act, there were substituted references to the provisions of a scheme made under section 28 of this Act and as if, for the reference to the Postmaster General, there were substituted a reference to the authority.

(3) As from the appointed day, section 11 of the principal Act (prohibition on sending by post certain articles) shall have effect as if,—

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- (a) in subsection (1)(a), for the reference to the Postmaster General, there were substituted a reference to the authority, and, for the reference to an officer of the Post Office, there were substituted a reference to a person engaged in the business of the authority; and
  - (b) in subsection (4), for the reference to detention in the Post Office, there were substituted a reference to detention by the authority and, for the reference to any regulations having effect by virtue of that section, there were substituted a reference to any provisions of a scheme made under section 28 of this Act.
- (4) As from the appointed day, subsection (2) of section 16 of the principal Act (application of customs Acts to postal packets) shall have effect with the substitution, for the reference to the Postmaster General, of a reference to the Minister; but the Minister shall not make a recommendation under that subsection to the Treasury except after consultation with the authority.
- (5) Duties [<sup>F214</sup>(whether of customs or excise) charged on imported goods] or other charges payable in respect of packets to which the said section 16 applies (whether payable to the authority or to any other postal administration) may be recovered by the authority in any court of competent jurisdiction as if they were simple contract debts, and, in any proceedings for the recovery of any charges so payable, a certificate of the authority of the amount thereof shall be evidence (and, in Scotland, sufficient evidence) of that fact.
- In the application of this sub-paragraph to Scotland the words “as if they were simple contract debts” shall be omitted.
- (6) As from the appointed day, section 17 of the principal Act (power to detain postal packets containing contraband) shall have effect with the substitution, for the reference to the Postmaster General, of a reference to the authority.
- (7) As from the appointed day, section 19(1) and (2) of the principal Act (Post Office mark evidence of amount of postage, &c.) shall have effect as if references to the Post Office and the Postmaster General included references to the authority, and section 19(3) of that Act shall have effect as if, for the reference to a certificate signed by or on behalf of the Postmaster General, there were substituted a reference to a certificate of the authority.
- (8) Section 21(3) of the principal Act (protection of bankers collecting postal orders) shall, as from the appointed day, have effect as if, after the words “Postmaster General”, there were inserted the words “or the authority established by section 6 of the Post Office Act 1969”.
- (9) References in sections 22 and 23 of the principal Act (issuing money orders with fraudulent intent and forgery and stealing of money orders) to a money order shall, as from the appointed day, be construed as including references to a postal order.
- (10) As from the appointed day, section 24 of the principal Act shall have effect as if, for the reference to the Postmaster General, there were substituted a reference to the authority, as if, for the words “money orders”, there were substituted the words “orders for the payment of money” and as if the words “and subject to any prescribed modifications”, the words “within the meaning of those sections” and the proviso were omitted.

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- [<sup>F215</sup>(11) References in sections 50 and 51 of the principal Act (extension of postal facilities and accommodation) to the Postmaster General shall, as from the appointed day, be construed as referring to the authority.]
- (12) With reference to any point of time after the beginning of the appointed day, the reference in section 56 of the principal Act (criminal diversion of letters from the addressee) to a person not in the employment of the Postmaster General shall be construed as referring to a person not engaged in the business of the authority.
- (13) With reference to any point of time after the beginning of the appointed day, the reference in section 61 of the principal Act (prohibition of affixing placards, notices, &c., on post office letter boxes, &c.) to the Postmaster General shall be construed as referring to the authority.
- (14) References in section 62 of the principal Act (prohibition of imitation of post office stamps, envelopes, forms and marks) and section 64 of that Act (prohibition of false notices as to reception of letters, &c.) to the Postmaster General shall, as from the appointed day, be construed as referring to the authority.
- (15) As from the appointed day, section 63 of the principal Act (prohibition of fictitious postage stamps) shall have effect as if, in subsection (1), for the words from the beginning to “prescribed”, there were substituted the words “Except for such purposes as may be approved by the Post Office in writing and in accordance with such (if any) conditions as may be attached to the approval, a person shall not”.
- (16) ..... <sup>F216</sup>
- (17) As from the appointed day, section 72(1) of the principal Act (evidence of thing being a postal packet) shall have effect as if, for the reference to an article’s having been accepted on behalf of the Postmaster General for transmission by post, there were substituted a reference to its having been accepted on behalf of him or the authority for transmission by post.
- (18) As from the appointed day, section 72(3) of the principal Act (application in certain proceedings of section 27(4) of the <sup>M109</sup>Theft Act 1968, and evidence of employment of a vessel, vehicle or aircraft by or under the Post Office for the transmission of postal packets under contract) shall have effect as if, for the reference to a vessel, vehicle or aircraft having been at any time employed by or under the Post Office, there were substituted a reference to its having been at any time employed by or under the Post Office or the authority.
- (19) As from the appointed day section 78(1) of the principal Act (provisions as to post office letter boxes) shall have effect as if, for the reference to the Postmaster General, there were substituted a reference to the authority; and section 78(2) of that Act shall have effect as if the reference to a certificate signed by or on behalf of the Postmaster General included a reference to a certificate of the authority and, for the reference to the permission or authority of the Postmaster General, there were substituted a reference to the permission or authority of the Postmaster General or the authority.
- (20) The reference in section 79(1) of the principal Act to the Postmaster General shall, as from the appointed day, be construed as referring to the authority.
- (21) As from the appointed day, the definition of “parcel” in section 87(1) of the principal Act (interpretation) shall have effect as if, for the reference to regulations, there were

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substituted a reference to the provisions of a scheme made under section 28 of this Act.

- (22) As from the appointed day, the definition of “post office letter box” in section 87(1) of the principal Act shall have effect as if, after the words “the Postmaster General”, in both places where they occur, there were inserted the words “or the authority established by section 6 of the Post Office Act 1969”.
- (23) As from the appointed day, the reference, in the definition of “the purposes of the Post Office” in section 87(1) of the principal Act, to the execution of any duties for the time being undertaken by the Postmaster General or any of his officers shall be construed as including a reference to the exercise or performance of any powers or duties conferred or imposed by, or by virtue of, this Act on the authority; and any provision to which that definition is relevant (whether contained in the principal Act or any other Act) shall be construed accordingly.
- (24) As from the appointed day, the reference in section 87(2)(b) of the principal Act (delivery of postal packet to an officer of the Post Office to be delivery to a post office) to delivery to an officer of the Post Office shall be construed as a reference to delivery to an officer of the Post Office or to a person engaged in the business of the authority.
- (25) As from the appointed day, “postage”, in the principal Act, shall, unless the context otherwise requires, mean postage chargeable by the authority.

#### Textual Amendments

- F212** Entry repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38, SIF 96\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**
- F213** Entries in Sch. 4 para. 2(1) repealed (1.4.1994) by [1993 c. 43, ss. 152\(3\)](#), **Sch. 14**; [S.I. 1994/571, art. 5](#)
- F214** Words substituted by [Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 \(c. 2\)](#), **Sch. 4 para. 12** Table Pt. I
- F215** [Sch. 4 para. 11](#) repealed (E.W.S.) by [Energy Act 1983 \(c. 25, SIF 44:1\)](#), **Sch. 4 Pt. I**
- F216** [Sch. 4 para. 2\(16\)](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C45** The text of Sch. 4 paras. 2(8)(10)(15)(22), 14 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

#### Marginal Citations

- M108** [1953 c. 36](#).
- M109** [1968 c. 60](#).

- 3 As from the appointed day, section 1 of the <sup>M110</sup>Recorded Delivery Service Act 1962 shall have effect as if the reference in subsection (6) thereof (which provides that that section is not to be construed as authorising the sending by that service of anything which, under the <sup>M111</sup>Post Office Act 1953 or any instrument thereunder, is not allowed to be so sent) to any instrument under the Post Office Act 1953 included a reference to a scheme under section 28 of this Act, and section 1 of the <sup>M112</sup>Recorded Delivery Service Act (Northern Ireland) 1963 shall have effect as if the reference in subsection (5) thereof to such an instrument included a reference to such a scheme.

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**Marginal Citations**

- M110 1962 c. 27.
- M111 1953 c. 36.
- M112 1963 c. 5 (N.I.)

*Adaptations of Enactments relating to Telegraphs*

4 ..... F217

**Textual Amendments**

F217 Sch. 4 para. 4 repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1986 (c. 12), s. 1(1), Sch. 1 Pt. I

5, 6. .... F218

**Textual Amendments**

F218 Sch. 4 paras. 5, 6, 8, 10, 16–19 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

7 ..... F219

**Textual Amendments**

F219 Sch. 4 paras. 7, 9 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

*Adaptations of Enactments relating to the Supply of Electricity*

8 ..... F220

**Textual Amendments**

F220 Sch. 4 paras. 5, 6, 8, 10, 16–19 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

9 ..... F221

**Textual Amendments**

F221 Sch. 4 paras. 7, 9 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

10 ..... F222

**Textual Amendments**

F222 Sch. 4 paras. 5, 6, 8, 10, 16–19 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

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[<sup>F223</sup>11 As from the appointed day, references to a private generating station in section 11 of the <sup>M113</sup>Electricity (Supply) Act 1919 (restrictions on the establishment of new generating stations) shall be construed as including references to a generating station (within the meaning of that Act) for the generation of electricity for use wholly or mainly for the purposes of the authority’s undertaking.]

**Textual Amendments**

**F223** Sch. 4 para. 11 repealed (E.W.S.) by Energy Act 1983 (c. 25, SIF 44:1), Sch. 4 Pt. I

**Marginal Citations**

**M113** 1919 c. 100.

12, 13 ..... <sup>F224</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F224** Sch. 4 paras. 12, 13 repealed by Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1972 and S.I. 1972/1072 (N.I. 9), Sch. 7

*Adaptations of other Enactments*

14 As from the appointed day section 11 of the <sup>M114</sup>Juries Act 1862 <sup>F225</sup>... (summoning of jurors by post) shall <sup>F225</sup>... have effect as if, for the words from “under such regulations” to the words “the postmaster shall” there were substituted the words “the postmaster, upon receipt of the fee (if any) exigible for so doing, shall”.

**Textual Amendments**

**F225** Words in Sch. 4 para. 14 repealed (31.7.1996) by S.I. 1996/1141, art. 32(3), Sch. 5; S.R. 1996/267, art. 2

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C46** The text of Sch. 4 paras. 2(8)(10)(15)(22), 14 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

**M114** 1862 c. 107.

15 ..... <sup>F226</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F226** Sch. 4 para. 15 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

16—19. .... <sup>F227</sup>

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**Textual Amendments**

**F227** Sch. 4 paras. 5, 6, 8, 10, 16–19 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

20 ..... **F228**

**Textual Amendments**

**F228** Sch. 4 para. 20 repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1977 (c. 18), **Sch. 1 Pt. XIX**

- 21 (1) ..... <sup>F229</sup>, as from the appointed day, any ..... <sup>F230</sup> office belonging to, or occupied by, the authority shall be a prohibited place for the purposes of that Act.
- (2) Section 5 of the <sup>M115</sup>Official Secrets Act 1920 shall not apply to the authority; and, as from the appointed day, the reference in subsection (6) of that section to the Postmaster General shall be construed as referring to the authority.

**Textual Amendments**

**F229** Words repealed by Official Secrets Act 1989 (c. 6, SIF 39:2), s. 16(4), **Sch. 2**  
**F230** Words repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**

**Marginal Citations**

**M115** 1920 c. 75.

22 ..... **F231**

**Textual Amendments**

**F231** Sch. 4 para. 22 repealed (S.) by Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 1985 (c. 66, SIF 11:2), s. 75(2), **Sch. 8**

23 ..... **F232**

**Textual Amendments**

**F232** Sch. 4 para. 23 repealed (E.W.) by Insolvency Act 1985 (c. 65, SIF 11:1), s. 235, **Sch. 10 Pt. III**

24 ..... **F233**

**Textual Amendments**

**F233** Sch. 4 para. 24 repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1977 (c. 18), **Sch. 1 Pt. XIX**

25 ..... **F234**

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Textual Amendments

F234 Sch. 4 para. 25 repealed by Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 (c. 36), Sch. 6 Pt. II

26 ..... F235

Textual Amendments

F235 Sch. 4 paras. 26, 28, 29 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

27 The reference to the Postmaster General in section 79(3) of the M116 Land Registration Act 1925 (return to the Chief Land Registrar of letters marked outside “Her Majesty’s Land Registry” and addressed to persons who cannot be found) shall, as from the appointed day, be construed as referring to the authority.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C47 The text of Sch. 4 paras. 27, 30, 33, 54, 55, 56, 73, Sch. 5 para. 3 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Marginal Citations

M116 1925 c. 21.

28, 29. .... F236

Textual Amendments

F236 Sch. 4 paras. 26, 28, 29 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

30 As from the appointed day, section 2(2)(e) of the M117 Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Act 1926 (execution of arrestment or charge by registered letter) shall have effect as if, for the words from “Postmaster” to “1908”, there were substituted the words “Post Office in pursuance of any provision contained in a scheme made under section 28 of the Post Office Act 1969”.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C48 The text of Sch. 4 paras. 27, 30, 33, 54, 55, 56, 73, Sch. 5 para. 3 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

Marginal Citations

M117 1926 c. 16.

31 ..... F237



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**Textual Amendments**

**F237** Sch. 4 para. 31 repealed by Consumer Credit Act 1974 (c. 39, SIF 60), s. 192, Sch. 5 Pt. I

32 ..... F238

**Textual Amendments**

**F238** Sch. 4 para. 32 repealed by Land Drainage Act 1976 (c. 70), Sch. 8

- 33 (1) As from the appointed day, references to the Postmaster General in subsections (1) and (2) of section 2 of the<sup>M118</sup>Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland) 1930 (conveyance of mails by public service vehicles) shall be construed as referring to the authority.
- (2) As from the appointed day, references to an officer of the Post Office in the said subsection (1) shall be construed as referring to a person engaged in the business of the authority.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C49** The text of Sch. 4 paras. 27, 30, 33, 54, 55, 56, 73, Sch. 5 para. 3 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

**M118** 1930 c. 24(N.I.).

34 ..... F239

**Textual Amendments**

**F239** Sch. 4 para. 34 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

35 ..... F240

**Textual Amendments**

**F240** Sch. 4 para. 35 repealed by Solicitors (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 and S.I. 1976/582 (N.I. 12), Sch. 3

- 36 (1) As from the appointed day, the authority shall be deemed to be public utility undertakers and its undertaking a public utility undertaking for the purposes of the provisions of the<sup>M119</sup>Civil Defence Act 1939, <sup>F241</sup>
- (2) As from the appointed day, in the<sup>M120</sup>said Act of 1939 the expression “the appropriate department” shall, in relation to the authority, mean the Minister.

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**Textual Amendments**

**F241** Words repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1976 \(c. 16\)](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. V](#)

**Marginal Citations**

**M119** 1939 c. 31.

**M120** 1939 c. 31.

37 ..... **F242**

**Textual Amendments**

**F242** [Sch. 4 para. 37](#) repealed by [Town and Country Planning \(Scotland\) Act 1972 \(c. 52\)](#), [Sch. 23](#)

38 ..... **F243**

**Textual Amendments**

**F243** [Sch. 4 paras. 38, 45](#) repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, [Sch. 7 Pt. I](#)

39, 40. .... **F244**

**Textual Amendments**

**F244** [Sch. 4 paras. 34, 39, 40, 43](#) repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, [Sch. 7 Pt. I](#)

<sup>F245</sup>41 ..... **F245**

**Textual Amendments**

**F245** [Sch. 4 para. 41](#) repealed (4.12.1997) by [S.I. 1997/2779](#), art. 14, [Sch. 3](#)

42 ..... **F246**

**Textual Amendments**

**F246** [Sch. 4 para. 42](#) repealed by [Town and Country Planning \(Scotland\) Act 1972 \(c. 52\)](#), [Sch. 23](#)

43 ..... **F247**

**Textual Amendments**

**F247** [Sch. 4 paras. 34, 39, 40, 43](#) repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, [Sch. 7 Pt. I](#)

44 ..... **F248**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F248** Sch. 4 para. 44 repealed by S.I. 1980/1085 (N.I. 11), **Sch. 9**

45 ..... **F249**

**Textual Amendments**

**F249** Sch. 4 paras. 38, 45 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

46 ..... **F250**

**Textual Amendments**

**F250** Sch. 4 para. 46 repealed by Civil Aviation Act 1982 (c. 16), s. 109(3), **Sch. 16**

47 ..... **F251**

**Textual Amendments**

**F251** Sch. 4 para. 47 repealed by Representation of the People Act 1983 (c. 2, SIF 42), s. 206, **Sch. 9 Pt. II**

48 ..... **F252**

**Textual Amendments**

**F252** Sch. 4 para. 48 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

49 ..... **F253**

**Textual Amendments**

**F253** Sch. 4 para. 49 repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1986 (c. 12), s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. VII**

50 ..... **F254**

**Textual Amendments**

**F254** Sch. 4 para. 50 repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1977 (c. 18), **Sch. 1 Pt. XIX**

**F255** 51 .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F255** Sch. 4 para. 51 repealed (1.1.1996) by 1994 c. 40, s. 81, **Sch. 17**; S.I. 1995/2835, **art. 2**

52 ..... **F256**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F256** Sch. 4 para. 52 repealed by Drainage (Northern Ireland) Order 1973 and S.I. 1973/69 (N.I. 1), **Sch. 10**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F257** Sch. 4 para. 53 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I** and expressed to be repealed by Cable and Broadcasting Act 1984 (c. 46, SIF 96), **Sch. 6**

54

As from the appointed day, references in section 6 of the <sup>M121</sup>Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1953 (supplementary provisions as to omnibus shelters, &c.) to the Postmaster General shall be construed as referring to the authority.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C50** The text of Sch. 4 paras. 27, 30, 33, 54, 55, 56, 73, Sch. 5 para. 3 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

**M121** 1953 c. 26.

55

As from the appointed day, the reference to the Post Office in section 12(3)(b) of the <sup>M122</sup>Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 1953 (evidence by certificate) shall be construed as including a reference to the authority.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C51** The text of Sch. 4 paras. 27, 30, 33, 54, 55, 56, 73, Sch. 5 para. 3 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

**M122** 1953 c. 14 (N.I.).

F258 56

**Textual Amendments**

**F258** Sch. 4 para. 56 repealed (31.7.1996) by S.I. 1996/1141, art. 32(3), **Sch. 5**; S.R. 1996/267, **art. 2**

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**Textual Amendments**

**F259** Sch. 4 para. 57 repealed by Solicitors (Amendment) Act 1974 (c. 26), Sch. 3 Pt. II

58 ..... F260

**Textual Amendments**

**F260** Sch. 4 paras. 58, 61 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

- 59 (1) Where any work proposed to be done on or after the appointed day by [<sup>F261</sup>the Northern Ireland Housing Executive] in pursuance of a clearance or demolition order or a re-development scheme made by them under [<sup>F262</sup>the <sup>M123</sup>Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1981] involves, or is likely to involve, an alteration in a telegraphic line belonging to, or used by, the authority, paragraphs (1) to (8) of section 7 of the <sup>M124</sup>Telegraph Act 1878 shall apply to the alteration and accordingly shall have effect, subject to any necessary modifications, as if references therein to undertakers included references to [<sup>F261</sup>the Northern Ireland Housing Executive].
- (2) Where, in pursuance of an order under section 22 of the Housing of the <sup>M125</sup>Working Classes Act 1890, section 14 of the <sup>M126</sup>Housing Act (Northern Ireland) 1961, [<sup>F263</sup>Article 51 of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1981] or section 25 of the <sup>M127</sup>New Towns Act (Northern Ireland) 1965, that comes into operation on or after the appointed day, a public right of way over land is extinguished and, immediately before the day on which the order comes into operation, there is under, in, on, over, along or across the land a telegraphic line of the authority's, the authority shall have the same powers in respect of the line as if the order had not come into operation; but, if a person entitled to land over which the right of way subsisted requires that the line should be altered, paragraphs (1) to (8) of the said section 7 shall apply to the alteration and accordingly shall have effect, subject to any necessary modifications, as if references therein to undertakers included references to the person by whom the alteration is required.
- (3) In this paragraph <sup>F264</sup>“telegraphic line” and “alteration” have the same meanings as in the <sup>M128</sup>Telegraph Act 1878.

**Textual Amendments**

- F261** Words substituted by virtue of S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973/256, art. 3, Sch. 2
- F262** Words substituted by S.I. 1981/156 (N.I.3), Sch. 11 Pt. II
- F263** Words inserted by S.I. 1981/156 (N.I.3), Sch. 11 Pt. II
- F264** Words repealed by S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973/256, art. 3, Sch. 2

**Marginal Citations**

- M123** S.I. 1981/156 (N.I.3).
- M124** 1878 c. 76.
- M125** 1890 c. 70.
- M126** 1961 c. 12 (N.I.)
- M127** 1965 c. 13 (N.I.)
- M128** 1878 c. 76.

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60 ..... F265

**Textual Amendments**

**F265** Sch. 4 para. 60 repealed by S.I. 1973/69 (N.I. 1), **Sch. 10**

61 ..... F266

**Textual Amendments**

**F266** Sch. 4 paras. 58, 61 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

62—64. .... F267

**Textual Amendments**

**F267** Sch. 4 paras. 62–64 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

65 ..... F268

**Textual Amendments**

**F268** Sch. 4 para. 65 repealed by Highways Act 1980 (c. 66), **Sch. 25**

66 ..... F269

**Textual Amendments**

**F269** Sch. 4 para. 66 repealed by Mental Health (Amendment) Act 1982 (c. 51, SIF 85), **Sch. 4 Pt. I**

[<sup>F270</sup>67 As from the appointed day, section 7(1) of the <sup>M129</sup>Payment of Wages Act 1960 (interpretation) shall have effect as if, for the definitions of “money order” and “postal order”, there were substituted the following definitions:—

““money order” means a money order issued by the Postmaster General or the Post Office and “postal order” means a postal order so issued”.]

**Textual Amendments**

**F270** Sch. 4 para. 67 repealed (E.W.S.) by Wages Act 1986 (c. 48, SIF 43:2), s. 33(5), **Sch. 5 Pt. III**

**Marginal Citations**

**M129** 1960 c. 37.

68 ..... F271

**Textual Amendments**

**F271** Sch. 4 paras. 68, 72 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

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69 ..... F272

**Textual Amendments**

F272 Sch. 4 para. 69 repealed by Highways Act 1980 (c. 66), Sch. 25

70 As from the appointed day, Schedule 4 to the <sup>M130</sup>Public Health Act 1961 (which specifies, in relation to buildings of certain descriptions, the persons who are to be appropriate authorities for the purposes of the provisions of that Act relating to the attachment of street lights to buildings) shall have effect as if the following were added at the end thereof:—

“A building owned by the Post Office The Minister of Posts and Telecommunications”.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

C52 The text of Sch. 4 paras. 27, 30, 33, 54, 55, 56, 73, Sch. 5 para. 3 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

M130 1961 c. 64.

71 ..... F273

**Textual Amendments**

F273 Sch. 4 para. 71 repealed by Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (c. 78), s. 292(2), Sch. 25

72 ..... F274

**Textual Amendments**

F274 Sch. 4 paras. 68, 72 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

73 As from the appointed day, the references to the Postmaster General in section 53 of the <sup>M131</sup>Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962 (transmission of election addresses) shall be construed as referring to the authority.

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

C53 The text of Sch. 4 paras. 27, 30, 33, 54, 55, 56, 73, Sch. 5 para. 3 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

M131 1962 c. 14 (N.I.).

74 ..... F275

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#### Textual Amendments

**F275** Sch. 4 para. 74 repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, [Sch. 7 Pt. I](#)

75 ..... **F276**

#### Textual Amendments

**F276** Sch. 4 para. 75 repealed by [S.I.1980/1085 \(N.I. 11\)](#), [Sch. 9](#)

76 ..... **F277**

#### Textual Amendments

**F277** Sch. 4 para. 76 repealed by [Airports Authority Act 1975 \(c. 78\)](#), [Sch. 6](#)

[<sup>F278</sup>77 As from the appointed day, the reference in section 1(4) of the <sup>M132</sup>Criminal Evidence Act 1965 to the Post Office shall be construed as including a reference to the authority.]

#### Textual Amendments

**F278** Sch. 4 para. 77 repealed (E.W.) by [Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 \(c. 60, SIF 95\)](#), [Sch. 7 Pt. III](#)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

**C54** The text of Sch. 4 paras. 77, 80 and 82 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and, except as specified, does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

#### Marginal Citations

**M132** 1965 c. 20

78 ..... **F279**

#### Textual Amendments

**F279** Sch. 4 para. 78 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. II](#) and [New Towns Act 1981 \(c. 64\)](#), s. 81, [Sch. 13](#)

79 ..... **F280**

#### Textual Amendments

**F280** Sch. 4 para. 79 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. II](#)

[<sup>F281</sup>80 As from the appointed day, the Schedule to the <sup>M133</sup>Building Control Act 1966 (which specifies bodies in the case of which work carried out by them is exempt from control under that Act) shall have effect as if, at the end thereof, there were added a reference to the authority.]



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**Textual Amendments**

**F281** Sch. 4 para. 80 repealed (E.W.) by [Housing and Building Control Act 1984 \(c. 29, SIF 61\)](#), **Sch. 12 Pt. I**

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C55** The text of Sch. 4 paras. 77, 80 and 82 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and, except as specified, does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

**Marginal Citations**

**M133** 1966 c. 27.

81 ..... **F282**

**Textual Amendments**

**F282** Sch. 4 para. 81 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

**F283**82 .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F283** Sch. 4 para. 82 repealed (5.11.1993) by [1993 c. 50, s. 1\(1\)](#), **Sch. 1 Pt. IX** Gp. 2.

83 (1) ..... **F284**

(3) In the proviso to section [<sup>F285</sup>[<sup>F286</sup>33(4) of the <sup>M134</sup>Housing (Scotland) Act 1974]] [<sup>F286</sup>paragraph 9(4) of Schedule 8 to the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987], the expression “apparatus” shall, in relation to the authority, be construed generally and shall not be limited by the definition thereof in section 208(1) of [<sup>F287</sup>the <sup>M135</sup>Housing (Scotland) Act 1966]

(4) ..... **F288**

**Textual Amendments**

**F284** Sch. 4 para. 83(1)(2) repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

**F285** Words substituted by [Housing \(Scotland\) Act 1974 \(c. 45\)](#), **Sch. 3 para. 33(c)**

**F286** Words commencing “paragraph 9(4)” substituted (S.) for words commencing “33(4)” by [Housing \(Scotland\) Act 1987 \(c. 26, SIF 61\)](#), s. 339, **Sch. 23 para. 15(e)**

**F287** Words substituted by [Housing \(Scotland\) Act 1969 \(c. 34\)](#), **Sch. 6 para. 48(c)**

**F288** Sch. 4 para. 83(4) repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

**Marginal Citations**

**M134** 1974 c. 45.

**M135** 1966 c. 49.

**F289**84 .....

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**Textual Amendments**

**F289** Sch. 4 para. 84 repealed (U.K. & Isle of Man)(19.11.1998) by 1998 c. 43, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. IV** Group 2

85 ..... **F290**

**Textual Amendments**

**F290** Sch. 4 paras. 85, 86 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

86 ..... **F291**

**Textual Amendments**

**F291** Sch. 4 para. 86 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

87 ..... **F292**

**Textual Amendments**

**F292** Sch. 4 para. 87 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

88 ..... **F293**

**Textual Amendments**

**F293** Sch. 4 para. 88 repealed by Transport Act 1980 (c. 34), **Sch. 9 Pt. II**

89 ..... **F294**

**Textual Amendments**

**F294** Sch. 4 para. 89 repealed by Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990 (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 3, **Sch. 1 Pt. I**

90 As from the appointed day, the authority shall be deemed to be a public utility undertaking for the purposes of section 1 of the <sup>M136</sup>Local Government and Roads Act (Northern Ireland) 1968.

**Marginal Citations**

**M136** 1968 c. 30 (N.I.)

<sup>F295</sup>91 .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F295** Sch. 4 para. 91 repealed (5.11.1993) by 1993 c. 50, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. XV** Gp. 1

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F29692 .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F296** Sch. 4 para. 92 repealed (U.K.)(27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 3, 6(2), Sch. 1 Pt. I (with s. 5, Sch. 3)

- 93 (1) The authority shall be deemed to be statutory undertakers and its undertaking a statutory undertaking for the purposes of the following enactments, namely,—
- (i) F297 .....
  - (v) the M137 Acquisition of Land (Authorisation Procedure) (Scotland) Act 1947;
  - (vi) F298 .....
  - (vii) section 4 of the M138 Requisitioned Land and War Works Act 1948;
  - [F299(viii) the M139 Roads Act (Northern Ireland) 1948, as applied by any statutory provision passed or made before the commencement of the M140 Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1980]
  - (ix) F300 .....
  - (x) the National Parks and Access to the M141 Countryside Act 1949;
    - (xi) the M142 Reserve and Auxiliary Forces (Protection of Civil Interests) Act 1951;
    - (xii) the M143 Landlord and Tenant Act 1954;
    - (xiii) F301 .....
    - (xiv) section 39(6)(b) of the M144 Opencast Coal Act 1958;
    - (xv) F302 .....
    - (xvii) section 11 of the M145 Land Compensation Act 1961;
    - (xviii) section 3(4) of the M146 Flood Prevention (Scotland) Act 1961;
    - (xix) F303 .....
    - (xx) the M147 Pipe-lines Act 1962;
    - (xxi) section 18 of the M148 Land Compensation (Scotland) Act 1963;
    - (xxii) Schedules 3 F304 to the M149 Harbours Act 1964;
    - (xxiii) Schedule 6 to the M150 Gas Act 1965;
    - [F305(xxiv) section 10(4) of the Highlands and Islands Development (Scotland) Act 1965;]
    - (xxv) the [F306 New Towns Act 1981]
    - (xxvi) F307 .....
    - (xxvii) sections 11(5)(f), 54(6) and 75(4) of, and Schedule 3 to, the M151 Countryside (Scotland) Act 1967;
    - (xxviii) the M152 New Towns (Scotland) Act 1968;
    - (xxix) F308 .....
    - (xxx) section 22 of the M153 Sewerage (Scotland) Act 1968;
    - (xxxix) F309 .....

SCHEDULE 4 – Adaptations of Enactments and Orders in Council consequential on the Assumption by the new Authority for the Conduct of postal and telegraphic Business of Functions exercised and performed before the appointed Day by the Postmaster General

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(xxxii) .....  
 F310

(xxxiii) ..... F311

F312 (xxxiv) .....

[F313 (xxxv) Section 9 of the Enterprise and New Towns (Scotland) Act 1990.]

F314 .....

(2) In the following enactments, namely,—

- (a) .....  
F315
- (b) .....  
F316
- (c) the <sup>M154</sup>Acquisition of Land (Authorisation Procedure) (Scotland) Act 1947;
- (d) .....  
F317
- (e) .....  
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- (f) .....  
F319
- (g) .....  
F320
- (h) .....  
F321
- (j) the <sup>M155</sup>Pipe-lines Act 1962;
- (k) Schedules 3 <sup>F304</sup> to the <sup>M156</sup>Harbours Act 1964;
- (l) .....  
F322
- (q) .....  
F323
- (r) .....  
F324
- (s)

<sup>F325</sup>“the appropriate Minister” shall, in relation to the authority, mean the Minister.

<sup>F326</sup>(3) .....

(4) In the following enactments, namely,—

- (a) .....  
F327
- (b) .....  
F328
- (c) .....  
F329
- (d) section 13 of the <sup>M157</sup>Pipe-lines Act 1962;
- (e) the [<sup>F306</sup>New Towns Act 1981]
- <sup>F330</sup>(f) .....

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- (g) the <sup>M158</sup>New Towns (Scotland) Act 1968;
- (h) <sup>F329</sup>(i) .....  
F331
- (j) ..... F332
- <sup>F333</sup>(k) .....

“operational land” shall, in relation to the authority, mean land of its of any such class as may be specified in regulations made jointly by the Minister and the Minister of Housing and Local Government by statutory instrument (which shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament); and—act checked this far

- (i) the definition of a class of land for the purposes of regulations made under this sub-paragraph may be framed by reference to any circumstances whatsoever; and
- (ii) if any question arises whether land of the authority’s falls within a class specified in regulations so made, it shall be determined by the Minister.

In the application of this sub-paragraph to Scotland, for the reference to the Minister of Housing and Local Government there shall be substituted a reference to the Secretary of State.

(5) This paragraph shall come into operation on the appointed day.

**Textual Amendments**

- F297** Para 93(1)(i)(ii) repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**; para. 93(1)(iii) repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**; para. 93(1)(iv) repealed (E.W.) by Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (c. 67), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**
- F298** Para. 93(1)(vi) repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**
- F299** Para. 93(1)(viii) substituted by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), **Sch. 3 para. 51(11)**
- F300** Para. 93(1)(ix) repealed by Civil Aviation Act 1982 (c. 16), s. 109(3), **Sch. 16**
- F301** Para. 93(1)(xiii) repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1977 (c. 18), **Sch. 1 Pt. XIX**
- F302** Para. 93(1)(xv) repealed by Highways Act 1980 (c. 66), **Sch. 25**; para. 93(1)(xvi) repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**
- F303** Para. 93(1)(xix) repealed by Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (c. 78), **Sch. 23 Pt. II**
- F304** Words repealed by Transport Act 1981 (c. 56), **Sch. 12 Pt. II**
- F305** Sch. 4 para. 93(1)(xxiv) repealed (E.W.S.) by Enterprise and New Towns (Scotland) Act 1990 (c. 35, SIF 64), s. 38(2), **Sch. 5 Pt. III**
- F306** Words substituted by New Towns Act 1981 (c. 64), **Sch. 12 para. 5**
- F307** Sch. 4 para. 93(1)(xxvi) repealed (U.K. & Isle of Man)(19.11.1998) by 1998 c. 43, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. IV** Group 2
- F308** Para. 93(1)(xxix) repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), **Sch. 6 Pt. II**
- F309** Para. 93(1)(xxxi) repealed by Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (c. 78), **Sch. 23 Pt. II**
- F310** Para. 93(1)(xxxii) repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**
- F311** Sch. 4 para. 93(1)(xxxiii) repealed by Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990 (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 3, **Sch. 1 Pt. I**
- F312** Sch. 4 para. 93(1)(xxxiv) repealed (U.K.)(27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 3, 6(2), **Sch. 1 Pt. I** (with s. 5, Sch. 3)
- F313** Sch. 4 para. 93(1)(xxxv) added (E.W.S.) by Enterprise and New Towns (Scotland) Act 1990 (c. 35, SIF 64), s. 38(1), **Sch. 4 para. 3**

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- F314** Words in Sch. 4 para. 93(1) repealed (U.K.)(27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 3, 6(2), **Sch. 1 Pt. I** (with s. 5, Sch. 3)
- F315** Para. 93(2)(a) repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**
- F316** Para. 93(2)(b) (specifying Acquisition of Land (Authorisation Procedure) Act 1946) repealed by virtue of Acquisition of Land Act 1981 (c. 67), **Sch. 6 Pt. I** (expressed as repealing sub-para. (2)(iv) in para. 93)
- F317** Para. 93(2)(d) repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**
- F318** Para. 93(2)(e) repealed by Civil Aviation Act 1982 (c. 16), s. 109(3), **Sch. 16**
- F319** Para. 93(2)(f) repealed by S.I. 1976/1775, art. 6(2), **Sch. 4**
- F320** Para. 93(2)(g) repealed by Highway Act 1971 (c. 41), s. 86(2), **Sch. 12**
- F321** Para. 93(2)(h) repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**
- F322** Paras. 93(2)(l)–(p) repealed by S.I. 1976/1775, art. 6(2), **Sch. 4**
- F323** Para. 93(2)(q) repealed by Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (c. 78), **Sch. 23 Pt. II**
- F324** Para. 93(2)(r) repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**
- F325** Para. 93(2)(s)(t) repealed by S.I. 1976/1775, art. 6(2), **Sch. 4**
- F326** Sch. 4 para. 93(3) repealed (U.K. & Isle of Man)(19.11.1998) by 1998 c. 43, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. IV** Group 2
- F327** Para. 93(4)(a) repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**
- F328** Para. 93(4)(b) repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**
- F329** Para. 93(4)(c)(h) repealed by Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (c. 78), **Sch. 23 Pt. II**
- F330** Sch. 4 para. 93(4)(f) repealed (U.K. & Isle of Man) by 1998 c. 43, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. IV** Group 2
- F331** Para. 93(4)(i) repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**
- F332** Sch. 4 para. 93(4)(j) repealed by Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990 (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 3, **Sch. 1 Pt. I**
- F333** Sch. 4 para. 93(4)(k) repealed (U.K.)(27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 3, 6(2), **Sch. 1 Pt. I** (with s. 5, Sch. 3)

#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C56** Functions of Minister of Housing and Local Government now exercisable by Secretary of State: S.I. 1970/1681, **art. 2**

#### **Marginal Citations**

- M137** 1947 c. 42.  
**M138** 1948 c. 17.  
**M139** 1948 c. 28 (N.I.)  
**M140** S.I. 1980/1085. (N.I.11)  
**M141** 1949 c. 97.  
**M142** 1951 c. 65.  
**M143** 1954 c. 56.  
**M144** 1958 c. 69.  
**M145** 1961 c. 33.  
**M146** 1961 c. 41.  
**M147** 1962 c. 58.  
**M148** 1963 c. 51.  
**M149** 1964 c. 40.  
**M150** 1965 c. 36.  
**M151** 1967 c. 86.  
**M152** 1968 c. 16.  
**M153** 1968 c. 47.  
**M154** 1947 c. 42.  
**M155** 1962 c. 58.  
**M156** 1964 c. 40.  
**M157** 1962 c. 58.  
**M158** 1968 c. 16.

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94 ..... F334

**Textual Amendments**

**F334** Sch. 4 para. 94 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

**PART III**

ADAPTATIONS OF LOCAL ENACTMENTS

95 ..... F335

**Textual Amendments**

**F335** Sch. 4 paras. 95, 97, 99, 101, 102 repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

- 96 (1) Nothing in—
- (a) the London Building Acts 1930 to 1939 or byelaws thereunder; or
  - (b) a special enactment passed or made before the appointed day (including such an enactment relating to Scotland or Northern Ireland) for purposes similar to those of an enactment contained in Part V or VII of the <sup>M159</sup>Highways Act 1959 (except sections 136 to 138);
- shall affect any powers of the authority under the enactments relating to telegraphs or apply to any telegraphic lines placed or maintained by the Postmaster General or the authority by virtue of those enactments.
- (2) In this paragraph, “special enactment” has the same meaning as in the <sup>M160</sup>Highways Act 1959.

**Marginal Citations**

**M159** 1959 c. 25.

**M160** 1959 c. 25.

97 ..... F336

**Textual Amendments**

**F336** Sch. 4 paras. 95, 97, 99, 101, 102 repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

98 ..... F337

**Textual Amendments**

**F337** Sch. 4 para. 98 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38, SIF 96\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. II** and expressed to be repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

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#### Textual Amendments

**F338** Sch. 4 paras. 95, 97, 99, 101, 102 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

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A benefit conferred on the Postmaster General by a provision of a local Act passed in the same session as this Act or a previous session or of an order confirmed by an Act so passed consisting in securing that a power conferred by the Act or order to acquire land compulsorily, to secure compulsorily the creation of an easement or other right over land or to execute works on, under or over land shall not, except with his consent or agreement, be exercisable in relation to land specified or described in that provision shall, as from the appointed day, enure for the benefit of the authority.

101, 102.

F339

#### Textual Amendments

**F339** Sch. 4 paras. 95, 97, 99, 101, 102 repealed by Telecommunications Act 1984 (c. 12, SIF 96), s. 109, Sch. 7 Pt. I

## PART IV

### ADAPTATION OF ORDERS IN COUNCIL

103

As from the appointed day, references in the <sup>M161</sup> Parliamentary Writs Order 1944 (which lays down rules for the conveyance through the post of writs for parliamentary elections for constituencies in Great Britain) to the Postmaster General shall be construed as referring to the authority.

#### Marginal Citations

**M161** S.R. & O. 1944/344.

104

As from the appointed day, Article 7 of the <sup>M162</sup> Visiting Forces and International Headquarters (Application of Law) Order 1965 (which empowers the making, by agreement, of exceptions from, inter alia, the exclusive privileges of the Postmaster General with respect to posts and telegraphs) shall have effect as if, in paragraph (a), for the reference to the Postmaster General, there were substituted a reference to the authority and as if, for paragraph (b), there were substituted the following paragraph:

“(b) the transmission of matter within the United Kingdom by the service authorities of that force or by that headquarters shall not constitute an infringement of the privilege conferred by section 24(1) of the



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Post Office Act 1969, and the prohibition imposed by section 89 of that Act shall not extend to any such transmission”

**Marginal Citations**

M162 S.I. 1965/1536.

SCHEDULE 5

Sections 77, 88.

REPAIR OF MINOR DEFICIENCIES IN CERTAIN ACTS

- 1 (1) In any proceedings against a person in respect of an offence under section 45 of the <sup>M163</sup>Telegraph Act 1863 <sup>F340</sup> consisting in the improper divulging of the purport of a message or communication or an offence under section 20 of the <sup>M164</sup>Telegraph Act 1868 it shall be a defence for him to prove that the act constituting the offence was done [<sup>F341</sup>in obedience to a warrant issued by the Secretary of State under section 2 of the Interception of Communications Act 1985 or in pursuance of a requirement imposed by the Commissioner under section 8(3) of that Act].
- (2) Subsection (2) of section 58 of the <sup>M165</sup>Post Office Act 1953 (warrants in Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man) shall apply for the purposes of the foregoing subparagraph as it applies for the purposes of subsection (1) of that section.

**Textual Amendments**

**F340** Words repealed by [Telecommunications Act 1984 \(c. 12, SIF 96\)](#), s. 109, **Sch. 7 Pt. I**

**F341** Words substituted by [Interception of Communications Act 1985 \(c. 56, SIF 96\)](#), s. 11(3)

**Marginal Citations**

M163 1863 c. 112.

M164 1868 c. 110.

M165 1953 c. 36.

F342

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**Textual Amendments**

**F342** [Sch. 5 para. 2](#) repealed by [S.I. 1969/1368](#), **art. 9(b)**

- 3 Section 63 of the Post Office Act 1953 shall have effect as if, in subsection (6) thereof, for the words “any stamp for denoting a current rate of postage of any country outside the British postal area” , there were substituted the words “any current stamp for denoting a rate of postage of any country outside the British postal area”.

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**C57** The text of Sch. 4 paras. 27, 30, 33, 54, 55, 56, 73, Sch. 5 para. 3 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

SCHEDULE 6

Sections 94, 114

AMENDMENTS OF ACTS CONSEQUENTIAL ON SECTION 94 OF THIS ACT

PARTS I AND II

PART III

AMENDMENTS OF OTHER ENACTMENTS

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

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*Enactments of the Parliament of the United Kingdom*

Enactment amended and Subject-matter thereof	Amendment
F343 F343 Section 2 of the M166 Consolidated Fund (Permanent Charges Redemption) Act 1883 (power of Treasury to borrow from the National Debt Commissioners, out of the funds in their hands on account of trustee or post office savings banks, capital sums necessary for carrying into effect contracts made in pursuance of the M167 Consolidated Fund (Permanent Charges Redemption) Act 1873).	In subsection (1), for the words “Trustee or Post Office Savings Banks” there shall be substituted the words “trustee savings banks and the National Savings Bank”.

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Section 10 of the M168 Savings Banks Act 1887 (issue, for specially low fee, of certificate of birth, marriage or death for purposes of Acts relating to savings banks and government annuities).	For the words “Post Office Savings Banks” there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Bank”.
F344 F344 Section 44 of the M169 Friendly Societies Act 1896 (investment of funds).	In subsection (1)(a), for the words “the Post Office Savings Bank” there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Bank”.
Rule 172 in Schedule 1 to the M170 Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1907 (disposal of money payable to persons under legal disability).	In paragraph (f), in sub-paragraph (1), for the words “the Post Office Savings Bank” there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Bank”, and, in sub-paragraph (4), for the words “the Post Office Savings Bank” there shall be substituted the words “the Director of Savings”.
F345 F345 Section 47A of the M171 Administration of Estates Act 1925 (right of surviving spouse to have own life interest redeemed).	In subsection (2), in rule 2, for the words “the purchase of an immediate life annuity from the National Debt Commissioners through the Post Office Savings Bank”, there shall be substituted the words “the purchase, under the M172 Government Annuities Act 1929, of an immediate savings bank annuity”.
[ <sup>F346</sup> Section 27 of the <sup>M173</sup> Crown Proceedings Act 1947 (attachment of moneys payable by the Crown).]	[ <sup>F346</sup> In subsection (1), in the proviso, in paragraph (c), for the words “the Post Office Savings Bank” there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Bank”.]
Section 46 of the Crown Proceedings Act 1947 (provisions as to arrestment).	In the proviso, in paragraph (c), for the words “the Post Office Savings Bank” there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Bank”.
[ <sup>F346</sup> F347F347F347F347F347F347F348] Section 38 of the <sup>M174</sup> Administration of Justice Act 1956 (attachment of debts).]	[ <sup>F346</sup> In subsection (2), for the words “the Post Office Savings Bank” there shall be

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substituted the words “the National Savings Bank”.]

[<sup>F346F349F349F348F348</sup>Section 143 of the  
<sup>M175</sup>County Courts Act 1959 (attachment of debts).]

[<sup>F346</sup>In subsection (2), for the words “the Post Office Savings Bank” there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Bank”.]

Section 17 of the  
<sup>M176</sup>Trustee Investments Act 1961 (extension to the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands of so much of section 16 as relates to the Post Office Savings Bank and to trustee savings banks).

In subsection (3), for the words “the Post Office Savings Bank” there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Bank”.

Part I of Schedule 1 to the Trustee Investments Act 1961 (narrower-range investments not requiring advice).

In paragraph 2, for the words “the Post Office Savings Bank” there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Bank”.

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#### Textual Amendments

- <sup>F343</sup> Sch. 6 Pt. III: provision repealed by [Banking Act 1979 \(c. 37, SIF 10\)](#), [Sch. 7](#)
- <sup>F344</sup> Entry repealed by [Merchant Shipping Act 1970 \(c. 36\)](#), s. 100(3), [Sch. 5](#)
- <sup>F345</sup> Entry repealed by [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\)](#), s. 41(1), [Sch. 6 pt. II](#)
- <sup>F346</sup> Sch. 6 Pt. III: entries repealed (E.W.) by [Supreme Court Act 1981 \(c. 54, SIF 37\)](#), [Sch. 7](#)
- <sup>F347</sup> Entry repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) 1973 \(c. 39\)](#)
- <sup>F348</sup> Entry repealed by [Insurance Companies Amendment Act 1973 \(c. 58\)](#), ss. 54(3), 56, [Sch. 2](#), [Sch. 3 para. 40](#), [Sch. 5](#)
- <sup>F349</sup> Entry repealed by [Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 \(c. 10\)](#), ss. 538(1), 539(1), [Sch. 16](#)

#### Marginal Citations

- <sup>M166</sup> 1883 c. 1.
- <sup>M167</sup> 1873 c. 57.
- <sup>M168</sup> 1887 c. 40
- <sup>M169</sup> 1896 c. 25.
- <sup>M170</sup> 1907 c. 51.
- <sup>M171</sup> 1925 c. 23.
- <sup>M172</sup> 1929 c. 29.
- <sup>M173</sup> 1947 c. 44.
- <sup>M174</sup> 1956 c. 46.
- <sup>M175</sup> 1959 c. 22
- <sup>M176</sup> 1961 c. 62.

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### Enactments of the Parliament of Northern Ireland

Section 25 of the M177 Betting and Lotteries Act (Northern Ireland) 1957 (offences in connection with lotteries).	In subsection (4)(c), for the words “the Post Office Savings Bank” there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Bank”.
Section 98 of the M178 County Courts Act (Northern Ireland) 1959 (investment of funds in court).	In subsection (2)(c), for the words “a Post Office Savings Bank” there shall be substituted the words “the National Savings Bank”.

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#### Textual Amendments

F350 Entry repealed by [Insurance Companies Amendment Act 1973 \(c. 58\)](#), ss. 54(3), 56, Sch. 2, Sch. 3 para. 40, [Sch. 5](#)

#### Marginal Citations

M177 1957 c. 19 (N.I.).

M178 1959 c. 25 (N.I.).

### F351 SCHEDULE 7 F351

#### Textual Amendments

F351 [Sch. 7](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

### SCHEDULE 8

Section 137.

### OBSOLETE, &C., ENACTMENTS CEASING TO HAVE EFFECT

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## PART I

### ENACTMENTS CEASING TO HAVE EFFECT ON THE PASSING OF THIS ACT

#### *Enactment of the Parliament of England*

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Short Title</b>	<b>Extent to which Enactment is to cease to have Effect</b>
1 Anne c. 1.	The Crown Lands Act 1702.	In section 7, the words “in the said general letter office or post office and” and the words “the said general letter office or post office and” (where last occurring).

#### *Enactments of the Parliament of the United Kingdom*

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Title or Short Title</b>	<b>Extent to which Enactment is to cease to have Effect</b>
52 Geo. 3. c. 146.	The Parochial Registers Act 1812.	In section 11, the words from “and all such letters” onwards.
1 Will. 4. c. 27.	An Act for enabling His Majesty’s Postmaster General to sell the premises lately used as the Post Office in Lombard Street, Abchurch Lane, and Sherborne Lane, in the City of London.	The whole Act.
5 & 6 Will. 4. c. 62.	The Statutory Declarations Act 1835.	In section 2, the words “the post office”. In section 5, the words “or post office”.
7 Will. 4. & 1 Vict. c. 83.	The Parliamentary Documents Deposit Act 1837.	In the preamble, the words from “and the postmaster” to “Ireland” and the word “postmasters”. In section 1, the word “postmasters”. In section 2, the words “and postmasters” and the words “or postmaster”.

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		In section 3, the word “postmaster” (in both places where it occurs).
2 & 3 Vict. c. 47.	The Metropolitan Police Act 1839.	In section 54, in paragraph 14, the words from “except” to “duty”.
2 & 3 Vict. c. lxxi.	An Act for incorporating certain Persons for the making and maintaining a Railway from the Township of Crook and Billy Row to the Byers Green Branch of the Clarence Railway in the Parish of Saint Andrew Auckland, all in the County of Durham, to be called “The West Durham Railway”.	Section 157.
5 & 6 Vict. c. xci.	An Act for constructing a Low Water Pier and necessary Works at Burntisland in the County of Fife, and establishing a Ferry between the same and Granton in the County of Edinburgh; and for improving the Communication between the said Pier and Kinghorn.	Sections 28 to 37.
		In section 38, the words “but without prejudice to the authority hereinbefore vested in the Postmaster General”.
7 & 8 Vict. c. 33.	The County Rates Act 1844.	In section 6, the words from “according” to “behalf”.
7 & 8 Vict. c. 85.	The Railway Regulation Act 1844.	Section 14.
11 & 12 Vict. c. lx.	The Chester and Holyhead Railway Act 1848.	Sections 19 and 20.
26 & 27 Vict. c. 112.	The Telegraph Act 1863.	Section 2.  In section 3, the definition of “the company”.  Section 11.  In section 14, the words “In the following cases”, the figures (1) and (2), the words “If the company is dissolved, or ceases for six months to carry on business”, the words

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		“(in the former case)”, the words “or (in the latter case) by any of the company’s works”, the words “or leave a notice at the last known office or place of business of the company”, the words “in every such case” and the words from “The present section” onwards.
		Section 31.
		Section 44.
		Section 46.
		Sections 52 and 53.
29 & 30 Vict. c. 3.	The Telegraph Amendment Act 1866.	The whole Act.
31 & 32 Vict. c. 110.	The Telegraph Act 1868.	In section 3, the definition of “any company”.  In section 9, paragraphs (1) and (2); in paragraph (6), the words “pay the railway company the following sums by way of compensation”, sub-paragraphs (a) to (f), in sub-paragraph (g) the words “the Postmaster General shall” and in sub-paragraph (h) the words from the beginning to “provided” and paragraphs (9), (10) and (11).  Section 19.  In section 20, the words from “and the Postmaster General” onwards.  Section 21.  Section 23.
32 & 33 Vict. c. 73.	The Telegraph Act 1869.	In section 3, the definition of “telegraph company”.  Section 7.  Sections 9 to 11.  Sections 23 and 24.
41 & 42 Vict. c. 76.	The Telegraph Act 1878.	In section 13, the words from “except that” to “this Act”.



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42 & 43 Vict. c. 11.	The Bankers' Books Evidence Act 1879.	In section 9, the words from "the fact", where last occurring, to "the Post Office".
43 & 44 Vict. c. xciv.	The South-western (of London) District Post Office Act 1880.	The whole Act.
52 & 53 Vict. c. 34.	The Telegraph (Isle of Man) Act 1889.	In section 1, paragraphs (3), (5) and (10).
55 & 56 Vict. c. 59.	The Telegraph Act 1892.	Section 4(2).  In section 12, the words from "The Governor" onwards.
56 & 57 Vict. c. 69.	The Savings Bank Act 1893.	The whole Act.
58 & 59 Vict. c. xxvii.	The Edinburgh and District Waterworks (Additional Supply) Act 1895.	Section 41.
58 & 59 Vict. c. xxxvii.	The Whitby Water Act 1895.	Section 11.
58 & 59 Vict. c. clvi.	The Merthyr Tydfil District Council Waterworks Act 1895.	Section 9.
59 & 60 Vict. c. xxxii.	The Birmingham Corporation Water Act 1896.	Section 24.
59 & 60 Vict. c. ccxlv.	The Barry Urban District Council Act 1896.	In section 21, the words from "The District Council may undertake" onwards.
61 & 62 Vict. c. cxxiii.	The Crawley and District Water Act 1898.	Section 25.
61 & 62 Vict. c. clxxxv.	The Clacton Gas and Water Act 1898.	Section 91.
61 & 62 Vict. c. ccxxv.	The Carlisle Corporation (Water) Act 1898.	Section 48, from "The Corporation may" onwards.
62 & 63 Vict. c. clxxi.	The Woking Water and Gas Act 1899.	Section 20.
1 Edw. 7. c. lvii.	The Aspatria Silloth and District Water Act 1901.	Section 42.
1 Edw. 7. c. ccvii.	The South Essex Waterworks Act 1901.	Section 7.
1 Edw. 7. c. ccxlii.	The Cromer Water Act 1901.	Section 65.
2 Edw. 7. c. cxxx.	The Bristol Waterworks Act 1902.	Section 21.
2 Edw. 7. c. clxxiv.	The Weardale Water Act 1902.	Section 7.

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3 Edw. 7 c. xviii.	The Sutton District Waterworks Act 1903.	Section 6.
4 Edw. 7. c. cciii.	The Thames River Steamboat Service Act 1904.	Section 36.
5 Edw. 7. c. clxii.	The Skegness Water Act 1905.	Section 39.
6 Edw. 7. c. cxlviii.	The Borough of Portsmouth Waterworks Act 1906.	Section 10.
7 Edw. 7. c. lxxvii.	The Rawtenstall Corporation Act 1907.	Section 34.
7 Edw. 7. c. lxxxiv.	The Great Yarmouth Waterworks and Lowestoft Water and Gas Act 1907.	Section 56.
7 Edw. 7. c. lxxxvi.	The King's Norton and Northfield Urban District Council Act 1907.	Section 23.
7 Edw. 7. c. cii.	The Manchester Corporation Tramways Act 1907.	Section 27.
7 Edw. 7. c. cxvii.	The Tramways Orders Confirmation Act 1907.	In the Audenshaw Urban District Council Tramway Order 1907 contained in the Schedule, section 5; in the Huddersfield Corporation Tramway Order 1907 so contained, section 7; in the Leeds Corporation Tramways Order 1907 so contained, section 7; in the Taunton Tramways (Extension) Order 1907 so contained, section 11; and in the West Ham Corporation Tramways Order so contained, section 10.
7 Edw. 7. c. cxxxii.	The Birkenhead Corporation Water Act 1907.	Section 23.
7 Edw. 7. c. cxliv.	The London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Act 1907.	Section 17.
7 Edw. 7. c. cxlix.	The Dumbarton Borough and County Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1907.	In the Order contained in the Schedule, section 11.
7 Edw. 7. c. clxxiv.	The Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Act 1907.	Section 60.

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8 Edw. 7. c. 33.	The Telegraph (Construction) Act 1908.	Section 7.
8 Edw. 7. c. xxii.	The Skegness Urban District Council Act 1908.	In the Schedule, the words “38. Agreements with the Postmaster General”.
8 Edw. 7. c. lviii.	The Doncaster Corporation Act 1908.	Section 17.
8 Edw. 7. c. lxxv.	The Wolverhampton Corporation Act 1908.	Section 5.
8 Edw. 7. c. xci.	The Metropolitan Electric Tramways Act 1908.	Section 29.
8 Edw. 7. c. xcix.	The Holderness Water Act 1908.	Section 84(2).
8 Edw. 7. c. c.	The London United Tramways Act 1908.	Section 8.
8 Edw. 7. c. cxx.	The Paisley District Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1908.	In the order contained in the Schedule, section 39.
8 Edw. 7. c. cxxxii.	The Tramways Order Confirmation (No. 2) Act 1908.	In the Liverpool Corporation Tramways Extensions Order 1908 contained in the Schedule, section 7; and in the Potteries and North Staffordshire Tramways (Amendment) Order so contained, section 9.
9 Edw. 7. c. 20.	The Telegraph (Arbitration) Act 1909.	In section 1, the words “have before the passing of this Act agreed, or hereafter”.
9 Edw. 7. c. xxxiv.	The Preston Chorley and Horwich Tramways Act 1909.	Section 8.
9 Edw. 7. c. xli.	The Wallasey Tramways and Improvements Act 1909.	Section 10.
9 Edw. 7. c. lxx.	The Gateshead and District Tramways Act 1909.	Section 36.
9 Edw. 7. c. lxxxix.	The Oldham Corporation Act 1909.	Section 40.
9 Edw. 7. c. cxliii.	The Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1909.	In the Bolton Corporation Tramways Order 1909 set out in the Schedule, section 8; in the Keighley Corporation Tramways Order 1909 so set out, section 9; in the Portsmouth Corporation Tramways Order so set

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		out, section 8; and in the Whitworth Urban District Council Tramways Order 1909 so set out, section 26.
9 Edw. 7. c. clix.	The Bury Corporation Act 1909.	Section 47.
10 Edw. 7 & 1 Geo. 5. c. lix.	The Dunfermline and District Tramways (Extensions) Order Confirmation Act 1910.	In the order contained in the Schedule, section 23.
10 Edw. 7. & 1 Geo. 5. c. ci.	The Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1910.	In the Milnrow Urban District Council Tramways Order 1910 set out in the Schedule, section 27.
10 Edw. 7 & 1 Geo. 5. c. cv.	The Wemyss and District Water Order Confirmation Act 1910.	In the order contained in the Schedule, sections 44 and 45.
10 Edw. 7 & 1 Geo. 5. c. cxiii.	The Southampton Corporation Act 1910.	Section 13.
10 Edw. 7 & 1 Geo. 5. c. cxvii.	The Bradford Corporation Act 1910.	Section 23.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. 39.	The Telegraph (Construction) Act 1911.	Section 5.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. lv.	The South Lancashire Tramways Act 1911.	Section 16.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. lxiv.	The Northampton Corporation Act 1911.	Section 30, and in section 58, the words “Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General”.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. lxxxvi.	The Kingston upon Hull Corporation Act 1911.	Section 9.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. cix.	The Aberdare Urban District Council Act 1911.	Section 54.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. cx.	The Brighton Hove and District Railless Traction Act 1911.	Section 17.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. cxiii.	The Halifax Corporation Act 1911.	Section 24.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. cxvi.	The Rotherham Corporation Act 1911.	Section 16, and, in section 34, the words “Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General”.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. cxviii.	The Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Act 1911.	Section 26.

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1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. clxxi.	The Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1911.	In the Dartford and District Tramways Order 1911 set out in the Schedule, section 31; and in the Dewsbury Corporation Tramways Order 1911 so set out, section 8.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. xvii.	The Ramsbottom Urban District Railless Traction Act 1912.	Section 26.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. xxxii.	The Stockport Corporation Act 1912.	Section 19.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. lv.	The North Ormesby South Bank Normanby and Grangetown Railless Traction Act 1912.	Section 38.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. lvii.	The Brighton Corporation Act 1912.	Section 19.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. lx.	The Hove Corporation Act 1912.	Section 24.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. lxxxii.	The Birmingham Corporation Act 1912.	Section 11.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. cvii.	The Keighley Corporation Act 1912.	Section 66(1).
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. cxliv.	The Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1912.	In the Bingley Urban District Council Tramways Order 1912 set out in the Schedule, section 29; in the West Hartlepool Corporation Tramways Order so set out, section 25.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. clxvii.	The Sheffield Corporation Act 1912.	In section 38, the words “Section 11 (As to use of posts standards &c. by Postmaster General)”.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. xxxv.	The Chesterfield Corporation Railless Traction Act 1913.	Section 31.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. lxi.	The Rhondda Tramways (Railless Traction) Act 1913.	Section 25.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. lxxvii.	The Mexborough and Swinton Tramways (Railless Traction) Act 1913.	Section 22.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. lxxix.	The West Bromwich Corporation Act 1913.	Section 15.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. xcii.	The Derby Corporation Act 1913.	Section 10.

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3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. xciii.	The Southport Corporation Act 1913.	Section 33.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. xciv.	The Huddersfield Corporation Act 1913.	In section 33, the words from “Of the Order” to “Postmaster General”.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. ciii.	The Metropolitan Electric Tramways (Railless Traction) Act 1913.	In section 7, the words “Section 29. (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General)”.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. cxii.	The Morley Corporation Act 1913.	Section 65.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. cxv.	The Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Railless Electric Traction Act 1913.	Section 35.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. cxxiii.	The Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1913.	In the Baildon Urban District Council Tramway Order 1913 set out in the Schedule, section 28; and in the Newcastle-Upon-Tyne Corporation Tramways Order 1913 so set out, in section 7, the words “Section 22. Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General”.
4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. lxxv.	The Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1914.	In the order set out in the Schedule, in section 6, the words “Section 16. (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General)”.
4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. clxvii.	The Western Valleys (Monmouthshire) Railless Electric Traction (Extension) Order Confirmation Act 1914.	In the order set out in the Schedule, in section 6, the words “Section 35. Use of trolley vehicle posts by Postmaster General”.
4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. lxxii.	The Preston Corporation Act 1914.	Section 22.
4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. lxxxviii.	The Newport Corporation Act 1914.	Section 34.
4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. ci.	The Reading Corporation Act 1914.	Section 19.
4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. cxlvii.	The West Gloucestershire Water Act 1914.	Section 53.
4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. clx.	The Walsall Corporation Act 1914.	Section 39.
4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. clxxxviii.	The York Corporation Act 1914.	Section 33.

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5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. lvii.	The Aberdare Urban District Council Act 1915.	In section 30, the words “Section 54 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General)”.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. lxi.	The Stalybridge Hyde Mossley and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board Act 1915.	Section 18.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. lxiii.	The South Shields Corporation Act 1915.	Section 10.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. lxxiii.	The Metropolitan Water Board Act 1915.	Section 23.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. lxxvii.	The Lincoln Corporation Act 1915.	Section 42.
7 & 8 Geo. 5. c. xx.	The Bristol Waterworks Act 1917.	Section 40(3).
7 & 8 Geo. 5. c. lii.	The Blackpool Improvement Act 1917.	Section 60.
8 & 9 Geo. 5. c. xxi.	The Londonderry Corporation Act 1918.	Section 104.
8 & 9 Geo. 5. c. lxi.	The Sheffield Corporation (Consolidation) Act 1919.	Sections 137 and 157.  In section 174, the words “Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General”.
9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. xl.	The Stockton-on-Tees Corporation Act 1919.	Section 18.
9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. 1.	The Birmingham Corporation Tramways Act 1919.	In section 13(3), the words from “and under” to “1912”.
9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. lvi.	The Tynemouth Corporation Act 1919.	Section 27.
9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. lviii.	The Middlesborough Corporation Act 1919.	Section 22.
9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. xc.	The Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1919.	In the Thornaby on Tees Corporation Tramways Order 1919 set out in the Schedule, section 25.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. liv.	The St. Annes-on-the-Sea Urban District Council Act 1920.	Section 16.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. lxvii.	The Pontypridd Urban District Council Act 1920.	Section 11.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. lxviii.	The Portsmouth Corporation Act 1920.	In section 54, the words “Section 8 (Use of tramway

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		posts by Postmaster General)".
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. lxxvi.	The Halifax Corporation Act 1920.	In section 7, the words from "Section 24" (where last occurring) to "Postmaster General".
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. lxxxiii.	The Blackpool Improvement Act 1920.	Section 38(3).  Section 41(8)(i).
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. lxxxviii.	The Coventry Corporation Act 1920.	Section 26.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. xcii.	The Sheffield Corporation Act 1920.	In section 14(3), the words from "and under" to "1918".
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Manchester Corporation Act 1920.	In section 41, the last entry relating to the Manchester Corporation Tramways Act 1907.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. cxix.	The Tramways Orders Confirmation Act 1920.	In the Warrington Corporation Tramways (Extension) Order 1920 set out in the Schedule, section 8.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. cxlii.	The Cardiff Corporation Act 1920.	Section 57.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. cxlv.	The Huddersfield Corporation (General Powers) Act 1920.	In section 9(1), the entry relating to the Huddersfield Corporation Tramway Order 1907.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. cxlviii.	The Salford Corporation Act 1920.	Section 13.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. clii.	The Bristol Corporation Act 1920.	Section 47.
11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. xxiv.	The Sutton District Waterworks Act 1921.	Section 18.
11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. lxxiv.	The Liverpool Corporation Act 1921.	Section 141.
11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. lxxvi.	The Grimsby Corporation Act 1921.	Section 45.
11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. lxxxiv.	The South Essex Waterworks Act 1921.	Section 48.
11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. lxxxv.	The Hastings Tramways Act 1921.	Section 10.
11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. xciii.	The Wigan Corporation Act 1921.	Section 42.



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11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. cxv.	The Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Act 1921.	Section 38.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. xxxiii.	The Colne Valley Water Act 1922.	Section 18.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. lii.	The Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1922.	In the order set out in the Schedule, section 12.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. lxxvi.	The Birmingham Corporation Act 1922.	In section 24, the words “Section 11 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General)”.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. lxxxii.	The South Staffordshire Waterworks Act 1922.	Section 12.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. xciii.	The Bolton Corporation Act 1922.	Section 42.
13 Geo. 5. Sess. 2. c. 2.	The Irish Free State (Consequential Provisions) Act 1922.	Section 7(3).
13 & 14 Geo. 5. c. ixii.	The Tramways Provisional Orders Act 1923.	In the Leicester Corporation Tramways Order set out in the Schedule, in section 10, the words “Section 15” (where last occurring) and the words “Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General”.
13 & 14 Geo. 5. c. lxxi.	The Birkenhead Corporation Act 1923.	Sections 44 and 46.
13 & 14 Geo. 5. c. lxxxvi.	The Lytham St. Anne’s Corporation Act 1923.	Section 23(a).  Section 24.
13 & 14 Geo. 5. c. xcix.	The Chesterfield Corporation Act 1923.	Sections 100 and 102.  In section 123, the words, “Alteration of telegraph lines of Postmaster General” and the words “Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General”.  Section 137(1).
14 & 15 Geo. 5. c. lvi.	The Kingston upon Hull Corporation Act 1924.	Section 13(3).
14 & 15 Geo. 5. c.lxv.	The Birmingham Corporation Act 1924.	In section 16(4), the words “and under section 11 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster

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		General) of the Act of 1912” and the words “and section respectively”.
14 & 15 Geo. 5. c. lxxxiv.	The St. Helens Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order Confirmation Act 1924.	In the Order set out in the Schedule, section 13.
14 & 15 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Manchester Corporation Act 1924.	In section 55(1), the words “Section 27” (where last occurring) and the words “Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General”.
14 & 15 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Croydon Corporation Act 1924.	Section 30.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. xlvii.	The Bolton Corporation Act 1925.	In section 39, the words “Section 42 (Use of tramway posts &c., by Postmaster General)”.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Oldham Corporation Act 1925.	Sections 52 and 54.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. cii.	The Blackpool Improvement Act 1925.	In section 18(2), the words “Section 60 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General)”.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. ciii.	The Ipswich Corporation Act 1925.	Section 7(1).
		Section 8.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. cvii.	The Barrow-in-Furness Corporation Act 1925.	Section 14.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. cxvi.	The Darlington Corporation (Transport, &c.) Act 1925.	Section 5.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. cxxi.	The Bradford Corporation Act 1925.	In section 33(4), the words “and under section 23 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General) of the Act of 1910” and the words “and section respectively”.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. cxxii.	The Walsall Corporation Act 1925.	In section 9, the words “Section 39 (Use of tramway or trolley vehicle posts by Postmaster General)”.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. cxxiii.	The Wolverhampton Corporation Act 1925.	In section 18(1), the words from “The Act of 1908” to “Postmaster General”.
16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. ii.	The Dunfermline and District Tramways (Extension) Order Confirmation Act 1926.	In the order contained in the Schedule, in section 12,

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		the last entry relating to the Order of 1910.
16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. xi.	The Darwen Corporation Act 1926.	Section 14(a).
		Section 15.
		In section 20, the words “and Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General”
16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. xxvii.	The Doncaster Corporation Act 1926.	In section 26, the first entry relating to the Doncaster Corporation Act 1908.
16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. xxx.	The Hartlepool Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Act 1926.	Section 8(a).
		Section 9.
16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. lxxiii.	The Tramways Provisional Order Act 1926.	In the order set out in the Schedule, in section 10, the last entry relating to the Act of 1913.
16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. lxxiii.	The Kidderminster and Stourport Electric Tramway Act 1926.	Section 13(a).
		Section 14.
16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. lxxvi.	The Mexborough and Swinton Tramways Act 1926.	In section 9, the words “Section 22 (Use of posts and standards by Postmaster General)”.
16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Worcester Corporation Act 1926.	Section 10(1).
		Section 11.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. xvii.	The Matlocks Urban District Council Act 1927.	Section 27(a).
		Section 28.
		Section 52.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. xliii.	The Sheffield Corporation Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1927.	In the order set out in the Schedule, in section 6(3), the words from “and under” to “1918” and the words “and section respectively”.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. xlv.	The Cardiff Corporation Tramways Order Confirmation Act 1927.	In the order set out in the Schedule, in section 9, the words from “and under” to “1920” and the words “and section respectively” and

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		in section 11, the first entry relating to the Act of 1920.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. lvii.	The St. Helens Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order Confirmation Act 1927.	In the order set out in the Schedule, in section 8(1), the words “Section 13 (Use of posts &c. by Postmaster General”.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. lxi.	The Hastings Tramways Company (Trolley Vehicles) Act 1927.	In section 20, the second entry relating to the Act of 1921.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. lxxvii.	The Grimsby Corporation Act 1927.	In section 88, the words “Section 45 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General)”.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. lxxxiv.	The Colchester Corporation Act 1927.	Section 6.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. lxxxvi.	The West Bromwich Corporation Act 1927.	In section 82, the words “Section 15 (Use of tramway or trolley vehicle posts by Postmaster General)”.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. xc.	The Coventry Corporation Act 1927.	In section 19, the third entry relating to the Act of 1920.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. cxxii.	The Wallasey Corporation Act 1927.	In section 18, in subsection (1), the words “the Act of 1909” (in both places where they occur) and the words “Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General” and, in subsection (2), the words “the Act of 1909”.
18 & 19 Geo. 5. c. xlvi.	The Exeter Corporation Act 1928.	In section 25(2), the words “Section 21 (Alteration of telegraphic lines of Postmaster General”.
		Section 27.
18 & 19 Geo. 5. c. lxxix.	The South Essex Waterworks Act 1928.	Section 48.
18 & 19 Geo. 5. c. cxi.	The Rotherham Corporation Act 1928.	Section 38(a).
		Section 39.
		In section 65(1), the words “Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General”.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. xxvii.	The Southend-on-Sea Corporation (Trolley	In the order set out in the Schedule, in section 6(1), the words “the Order of

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	Vehicles) Order Confirmation Act 1929.	1909” (in both places where they occur) and the words “Section 10 (As to use of posts by Postmaster General)”.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. xlvii.	The Royal Victoria and other Docks Approaches (Improvement) Act 1929.	In section 25, the last entry relating to the London County Council (Tramways and Improvements) Act 1907.  In section 26, the second entry relating to the West Ham Corporation Tramways Order 1907.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. lxxvi.	The Mansfield District Traction Act 1929.	In section 24(1), the first entry relating to the Order of 1920.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. lxxxii.	The Manchester Corporation Act 1929.	In section 12(1), the last entry relating to the Manchester Corporation Tramways Act 1907.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. lxxxiii.	The South Lancashire Transport Act 1929.	In section 26, the words “The Act of 1911—Section 16 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General)”.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. xciv.	The Pontypridd Urban District Council Act 1929.	In section 13(1), the first entry relating to the Act of 1920.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. xxxviii.	The Birmingham Corporation (General Powers) Act 1929.	Section 16(3).
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. lii.	The Portsmouth Corporation Act 1930.	In section 28, the second entry relating to the Portsmouth Corporation Tramways Order 1909.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. lvii.	The Chester Waterworks Act 1930.	Section 8.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. lxvi.	The Derby Corporation Act 1930.	In section 32(1), the second entry relating to the Derby Corporation Act 1913.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. lxxviii.	The Newport Corporation (No. 1) Act 1930.	In section 54, the second entry relating to the Newport Corporation Act 1914.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. lxxxii.	The Birkenhead Corporation Act 1930.	In section 28, the third entry relating to the Birkenhead Corporation Act 1923.

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20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. cxii.	The Liverpool Corporation (General Powers) Act 1930.	In section 12, the eighth entry relating to the Liverpool Corporation Act 1921.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. cxix.	The Leeds Corporation Act 1930.	In section 21, the words “and in section 7 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General) of the Leeds Corporation Tramways Order 1907”.  In section 23(5), the words “and under section 7 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General) of the Leeds Corporation Tramways Order 1907” and the words “and section respectively”.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. cxxx.	The Llanelly District Traction Act 1930.	In section 24, the words “The Order of 1910—Section 8 (As to use of posts by Postmaster General)”.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. clxxxii.	The Bournemouth Corporation Act 1930.	Section 101.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. clxxxiii.	The Southend-on-Sea Corporation Act 1930.	In section 18(1), the words “The Order of 1909—Section 10 (As to use of posts by Postmaster General)”.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. clxxxvii.	The London United Tramways Act 1930.	In section 9, the words “The London United Tramways Act 1908—Section 8 (Use of tramways posts by Postmaster General)”.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. xiii.	The Preston Corporation Act 1931.	In section 40, the first entry relating to the Preston Corporation Act 1914.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. lxxxvii.	The York Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order Confirmation Act 1931.	In the Order set out in the Schedule, in section 7(1), the words “Section 33 (As to the use of posts by Postmaster General)”.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. cix.	The Brighton Corporation Act 1931.	Section 102.
22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. vii.	The Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Act 1932.	In the order contained in the Schedule, section 33.
22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. lxix.	The Bury Corporation Act 1932.	In section 76(1), the eighth entry relating to the Bury Corporation Act 1909.

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22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. xc.	The Wolverhampton Corporation Act 1932.	In section 78(1), the words “The Act of 1908—Section 5 (Use of tramways posts by Postmaster General)”.
23 & 24 Geo. 5. c. i.	The Public Works Facilities Scheme (Huddersfield Corporation) Confirmation Act 1932.	In the scheme set out in the Schedule, in section 6, the words “Huddersfield Corporation Tramway Order 1907—Section 7 (Use of tramways posts by Postmaster General)”.
23 & 24 Geo. 5. c. lxxxiii.	The Middlesbrough Corporation Act 1933.	Section 89.
23 & 24 Geo. 5. c. lxxxix.	The Salford Corporation Act 1933.	In section 43(1), the first entry relating to the Salford Corporation Act 1920.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. vii.	The Public Works Facilities Scheme (Huddersfield Corporation) Confirmation Act 1934.	In the scheme set out in the Schedule, in section 5, the words “Huddersfield Corporation Tramway Order 1907—Section 7 (Use of tramways posts by Postmaster General)”.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. xlix.	The St. Helens Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order Confirmation Act 1934.	In the order set out in the Schedule, in section 6(1), the seventh entry relating to the St. Helens Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order 1924.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. l.	The Southend-on-Sea Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order Confirmation Act 1934.	In the order set out in the Schedule, in section 6(1), the words “The Order of 1909—Section 10 (As to use of posts by Postmaster General)”.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. xc.	The Cardiff Corporation Act 1934.	In section 28(1), the first entry relating to the Cardiff Corporation Act 1920.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The London Passenger Transport Act 1934.	Section 21.  In section 22, the words “and “Conveyance of Mails””.
		Sections 78 to 80.
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. xc.	The Reading Corporation Act 1935.	In section 11(2), the words “Section 19 (Use of tramway or trolley vehicle posts by Postmaster General)”.

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25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The South Shields Corporation Act 1935.	In section 15(1), the second entry relating to the South Shields Corporation Act 1915.
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. cviii.	The Blackpool Improvement Act 1935.	In section 20(1), the words “The Blackpool Improvement Act 1917—Section 60(Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General)”.
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. cx.	The London Passenger Transport Act 1935.	Section 67(4).
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. cxxiv.	The Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation (General Powers) Act 1935.	In section 76, the words “Section 80 (Use of posts & by Postmaster General)”.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. liii.	The Huddersfield Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Act 1936.	Section 85.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. lvi.	The Kingston upon Hull Corporation Act 1936.	In section 15, the words “Huddersfield Corporation Tramway Order 1907—Section 7 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General)”.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. cxv.	The Stalybridge Hyde Mossley and Dukinfield Transport and Electricity Board Act 1936.	In section 11(1), the words “The Kingston upon Hull Corporation Act 1911—Section 9 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General)”.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. lxxvi.	The Stalybridge Hyde Mossley and Dukinfield Transport and Electricity Board Act 1936.	In section 13(1), the fourth entry relating to the Stalybridge Hyde Mossley and Dukinfield Tramways and Electricity Board Act 1915.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. cxviii.	The Wolverhampton Corporation Act 1936.	In section 40(1), the words “The Act of 1908—Section 5 (Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General)”.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. cxviii.	The Manchester Corporation Act 1936.	In section 8(1), the last entry relating to the Manchester Corporation Tramways Act 1907.
1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. cii.	The Aberdeen Corporation (Water Gas Electricity and Transport) Order Confirmation Act 1937.	In the order contained in the Schedule, section 267.



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1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. cxxii.	The Southampton Corporation Act 1937.	In section 16(1), the last entry relating to the Southampton Corporation Act 1910.
1 & 2 Geo. 6. c. lxxxiii.	The Gateshead and District Tramways and Trolley Vehicles Act 1938.	In section 16, the last entry relating to the Gateshead and District Tramways Act 1909.
1 & 2 Geo. 6. c. lxxxix.	The Brighton Corporation (Transport) Act 1938.	In section 13(1), the words “Section 102—Use of tramway posts by Postmaster General”.
9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. xxvii.	The Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation Act 1946.	In section 6, the words “Section 85 (Use of posts by Postmaster General)”.
12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. II.	The Railway and Canal Commission (Abolition) Act 1949.	Section 6(2).
12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 39.	The Commonwealth Telegraphs Act 1949.	Section 4.  Section 7.  Schedule 2.
12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 54.	The Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949.	Section 8.  Section 14(5).  Section 16(2), so far as relating to the power conferred by section 8.  Section 18.
12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. lvii.	The Fife County Council Order Confirmation Act 1949.	In the order contained in the Schedule, section 46.
14 Geo. 6 c. 28.	The Shops Act 1950.	Section 44(1)(b)
14 Geo. 6 c. 39.	The Public Utilities Street Works Act 1950.	In Schedule 5, the entry relating to section 31 of the Telegraph Act 1863.
15 & 16 Geo. 6 & 1 Eliz. 2. c. xl.	The Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation Act 1952.	In section 33, the words “Section 85 (Use of posts by Postmaster General)”.
15 & 16 Geo. 6 & 1 Eliz. 2. c. xliv.	The Llanelly District Traction Act 1952.	Section 4(3).
1 & 2 Eliz. 2. c. 36.	The Post Office Act 1953.	Section 34(4)  Section 43.

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		In section 44, in subsection (1), paragraph (a), and subsections (3) to (5).
		In section 45, in subsection (1), the words “any tramway vehicle or”, subsection (2), in subsection (3) the words “any tramway vehicle or”, and, in subsection (4), the words “in a tramway vehicle conveying passengers or”.
		Section 71.
		Section 73.
		Section 75.
		Section 85.
		In section 87(1), in the definition of “regular mail train services”, the words “or subsection (3) of section forty-four”.
2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 62.	The Post Office Savings Bank Act 1954.	In section 4(2), paragraph (f) and the word “and” immediately preceding that paragraph. Section 23. Section 24(2).
5 & 6 Eliz. 2. c. 49.	The Finance Act 1957.	Section 2.
5 & 6 Eliz. 2. c. xxxvi.	The Hastings Tramways Act 1957.	Section 12.
6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. iv.	The Dundee Corporation (Consolidated Powers) Order Confirmation Act 1957.	In the order contained in the Schedule, section 84.
6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. 63.	The Park Lane Improvement Act 1958.	Section 22.
6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. 66.	The Tribunals and Inquiries Act 1958.	In Schedule 1, in Part 1, in the Annex, the entry relating to the Commonwealth Telegraphs Act 1949.
6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. 72.	The Insurance Companies Act 1958.	Section 35.
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. 6.	The National Debt Act 1958.	Section 16.
9 & 10 Eliz. 2. c. 15.	The Post Office Act 1961.	Section 4.

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In section 14, in subsection (1), the words from “instead of” onwards, and subsection (2).

Section 18.

Section 20.

Section 24(1).

In the Schedule, the entry relating to the Juries Act 1862 and the words in column 2 against it; the entries relating to the Telegraph Act 1869 and the words in column 2 against them; the entries relating to the Post Office (Pneumatic Tubes Acquisition) Act 1922, the Finance Act 1933, the Finance Act 1936, the Finance Act 1937, the Imperial Telegraphs Act 1938, the Finance Act 1940 and the Commonwealth Telegraphs Act 1949 and the words in column 2 against them; the entry relating to section 17 of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949 and the words in column 2 against it; the entry relating to section 3 of the Post Office Act 1953 and the words in column 2 against it; the entry relating to section 63 of that Act and the words in column 2 against it; the entry relating to section 80 of that Act and the words in column 2 against it; and the entries relating to sections 82 and 83 of that Act and the words in column 2 against them; the entry relating to the Television Act 1954 and the words in column 2 against it; the entry relating to section 23 of the Post Office Savings Bank Act 1954 and the words in column 2 against it; and the entry relating to the Post Office Works Act 1959 and

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		the words in column 2 against it.
1964, c. xliii.	The Glasgow Corporation Consolidation (Water, Transport and Markets) Order Confirmation Act 1964.	In the order contained in the Schedule, section 78.
1965, c. 2.	The Administration of Justice Act 1965.	In Schedule 1, the entry relating to the Telegraph Act 1869.
1965, c. 62.	The Redundancy Payments Act 1965.	In Schedule 7, in paragraph 12, the words “or section 7 of that Act”.
1966, c. 12.	The Post Office Savings Bank Act 1966.	In section 7(3), the words “and 23”.

*Enactments of the Parliament of Northern Ireland*

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Short Title</b>	<b>Extent to which Enactment is to cease to have Effect</b>
14 & 15 Geo. 5 c. 9.	The Private Bill Procedure Act (Northern Ireland) 1924.	Section 1(2)(b).
1968, c.6.	The Insurance Companies Act (Northern Ireland) 1968.	Section 71.

**PART II**

ENACTMENTS CEASING TO HAVE EFFECT ON THE APPOINTED DAY

*Enactment of the Parliament of the United Kingdom*

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Short Title</b>	<b>Extent to which Enactment is to cease to have Effect</b>
26 & 27 Vict. c. 112.	The Telegraph Act 1863.	Sections 41 to 43. Sections 48 to 51.
33 & 34 Vict. c. 77.	The Juries Act 1870.	In the Schedule, the words “Officers of the Post Office”.
22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. 9.	The Merchant Shipping (Safety and Load Line Conventions) Act 1932.	In section 8, the proviso.
12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 54.	The Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949.	Section 14(4).

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1 & 2 Eliz. 2. c. 36.	The Post Office Act 1953.	In section 15(4), the words from “and criminal proceedings” onwards. In section 4, in subsection (1), the words “without prejudice to subsection (3) of this section” and subsection (3). Section 56(3). In section 63(3), the proviso. Section 72(2). Section 86.
6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. 30.	The Land Powers (Defence) Act 1958.	Section 19.
9 & 10 Eliz. 2. c. 15.	The Post Office Act 1961.	In Schedule 2, in paragraph 1, the words “or nineteen”; in paragraph 12, the words “or nineteen” and the words “or, as the case may be, by the Postmaster General”; in paragraph 13, the words “or, as the case may be, the Postmaster General”; and, in paragraph 15, the words “or, as the case may be, the Postmaster General”. In the Schedule, the entry relating to section 72 of the Post Office Act 1953 and the words in column 2 against it.

*Enactment of the Parliament of Northern Ireland*

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Short Title</b>	<b>Extent to which Enactment is to cease to have Effect</b>
16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. 15.	The Jury Laws Amendment Act (Northern Ireland) 1926.	In Schedule 3, the words “Officer of the Post Office”.

SCHEDULE 9

Section 138.

GENERAL TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

- 1 (1) Section 3(1) of this Act shall not affect the validity of anything done by or in relation to the Postmaster General before the appointed day, being a thing done under or by

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virtue of the <sup>M179</sup>Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949, the <sup>M180</sup>Television Act 1964 or the <sup>M181</sup>Wireless Telegraphy Act 1967; and anything which, immediately before that day, is, under or by virtue of any of those Acts, in process of being done by or in relation to him (including, in particular, any legal proceeding to which he is a party) may be continued by or in relation to the Minister.

- (2) Any notice served, approval or authority given or other thing whatsoever done under or by virtue of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949, the Television Act 1964 or the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1967 by the Postmaster General shall, if effective at the appointed day, continue in force and have effect as if similarly served, given or done by the Minister.

#### Marginal Citations

**M179** 1949 c. 54.

**M180** 1964 c. 21.

**M181** 1967 c. 72.

- 2 (1) Any agreement, and any provision in a document not being an agreement, shall, so far as may be necessary in consequence of the enactment of Part III of this Act, have effect as from the appointed day—
- (a) as if references to the Crown, the Postmaster General, the Post Office or the Minister of Public Building and Works (except in cases where they fall to be adapted by head (b) or (c) below) were (or, if the context so requires, included) references to the authority established by section 6 of this Act;
  - (b) as if—
    - (i) references in general terms (however worded) to officers of the Postmaster General, to officers of the Post Office (otherwise than as defined by section 87(1) of the <sup>M182</sup>Post Office Act 1953), to officers of the Crown or to servants of the Postmaster General, the Post Office or the Crown were (or, if the context so requires, included) references to persons employed by the authority established by section 6 of this Act;
    - (ii) references in general terms (however worded) to officers of the Post Office as so defined were (or, if the context so requires, included) references to persons engaged in the business of the said authority;
    - (iii) references in general terms (however worded) to agents of the Postmaster General, the Post Office or the Crown were (or, if the context so requires, included) references to agents of the said authority;
    - (iv) references (however worded) to an officer of the Postmaster General or the Post Office holding a specified office were (or, if the context so requires, included) references to the person employed by the said authority who corresponds, as nearly as may be, to the first-mentioned officer; and
    - (v) references (however worded) to a servant of the Postmaster General, the Post Office or the Crown serving in a specified capacity were (or, if the context so requires, included) references to the person employed by the said authority who corresponds, as nearly as may be, to the first-mentioned servant;

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- (c) as if references (whether express or implied and, if express, however worded) to property of the Crown or the Postmaster General or his department were (or, if the context so requires, included) references to property of the said authority and references (whether express or implied and, if express, however worded) to land or premises occupied by the Crown, the Postmaster General, his department or an officer or servant of the Crown or Postmaster General were (or, if the context so requires, included) references to land or premises occupied by the said authority;
  - (d) as if any reference to the making, under a government provision, of a payment to or in respect of a person in consequence of his becoming ill, being injured or dying, were a reference to the making, to or in respect of him in consequence of his becoming ill, being injured or dying, of a payment falling to be made by virtue of a condition of his service (whether binding in law or not) providing for the making, in consequence of his becoming ill, being injured or dying, of a payment to or in respect of him.
- (2) Without prejudice to the foregoing sub-paragraph, any agreement to which the Crown is a party, whether in writing or not, and whether or not of such a nature that rights and liabilities thereunder could be assigned by it, shall, as from the appointed day, have effect, so far as may be necessary for, or in consequence of, the vesting by virtue of Part III of this Act of property, rights or liabilities in the Post Office, as if the Post Office had been a party thereto.
- (3) Without prejudice to sub-paragraph (1) above, where, by the operation of the said Part III, a right or liability becomes a right or liability of the Post Office, it and all other persons shall have the same rights, powers and remedies (and, in particular, the same rights, powers and remedies as to taking or resisting legal proceedings or the making or resisting of applications to any authority) for ascertaining, perfecting or enforcing it as they would have had if it had at all times been the right or liability of the Post Office; and legal proceedings or applications by or against the Crown, in so far as they relate to any property, rights or liabilities vested in the Post Office by virtue of sections 16 to 20 of this Act, or to any agreement or document which has effect in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, shall not abate by reason of the Crown's ceasing to be interested in the subject-matter thereof but may be continued by or against the Post Office to the exclusion of the Crown.
- [<sup>F352</sup>(4) With respect to instruments and documents executed or signed before the appointed day—
- (a) every instrument or document purporting to be executed or signed by or on behalf of the Postmaster General shall be deemed to be so executed or signed unless the contrary is shown; and
  - (b) a certificate signed before the appointed day by the Postmaster General that any instrument or document purporting to be executed or signed on his behalf was so executed or signed shall be conclusive evidence of that fact.]

#### Textual Amendments

**F352** Para. 2(4) inserted by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\), s. 89\(2\)](#)

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**M182** 1953 c. 36.

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3 (1)

<sup>F353</sup>(2) Subsection (3) of section 10 of the <sup>M183</sup>Post Office Act 1953 (consequence of failure to pay sums payable in respect of a cash on delivery packet) shall (unless repealed by virtue of sub-paragraph (4) below), with the omission of the reference to a British postal agency, with the substitution, for the references to the Postmaster General, of references to the Post Office and with the omission of the words “as a debt due to him”, have effect on and after the appointed day as if it were a provision of a scheme made under section 28 of this Act and coming into operation on that day, and may be repealed or amended accordingly; and, as from that day, the expression “cash on delivery packet” in that subsection shall mean a packet on whose delivery a sum falls to be collected by the Post Office for remission to the sender of the packet.

(3)

<sup>F353</sup>(5) Any reference in an agreement or licence in force on the appointed day to a provision of any such regulations as are mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(d) or (e) above (other than a provision relating to evidence or to limitation or exclusion of liability) shall, if during the currency of the agreement or licence that provision is revoked, be construed (unless the context otherwise requires) as referring to the corresponding provision for the time being in force of a scheme made under section 28 of this Act; and any reference in any such agreement or licence to a provision of any such regulations relating to limitation or exclusion of liability shall, as from that day, be construed in like manner as if that provision had not ceased to be in force.

(6)<sup>F353</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

**F353** Sch. 9 paras. 3(1)(3)(4)(6), 4, 5, 8, 15, 16, 18, 19 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

**Marginal Citations**

**M183** 1953 c. 36.

<sup>F354</sup>4, 5.

**Textual Amendments**

**F354** Sch. 9 paras. 3(1)(3)(4)(6), 4, 5, 8, 15, 16, 18, 19 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

6 An authorisation given under section 3(1), 61, 62 or 64 of the <sup>M184</sup>Post Office Act 1953 by the Postmaster General which is effective at the appointed day shall have effect as from that day as if given by the Post Office, and a declaration under section 78(1) of that Act by the Postmaster General which is so effective shall so have effect as if made by the Post Office.



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M184 1953 c. 36

- 7 An undertaking given under section 51(2) or (3) of the Post Office Act 1953 to the Postmaster General shall, if effective at the appointed day, have effect, as from that day, as if given to the Post Office.

8<sup>F355</sup>

#### Textual Amendments

**F355** Sch. 9 paras. 3(1)(3)(4)(6), 4, 5, 8, 15, 16, 18, 19 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

- 9 (1) This paragraph applies to the following instruments, namely,—
- (a) the agreement dated 2nd April 1962 whereto the parties are the Postmaster General and the Commercial Cable Company, Incorporated (a company incorporated under the law of the State of New York of the United States of America);
  - (b) the agreement dated 1st April 1963 whereto the parties are the Postmaster General and the Compagnie Francaise des Câbles Télégraphiques S.A. (a company incorporated under the law of France);
  - (c) the agreement dated 27th December 1965 whereto the parties are the Postmaster General and Western Union International, Incorporated (a company incorporated under the law of the State of Delaware of the United States of America); and
  - (d) the licence dated 1st March 1966 whereto the parties are Her Majesty, the Crown Estate Commissioners, the Postmaster General and Det Store Nordiske Telegraf-Selskab Aktieselskab (a company incorporated under the law of the Kingdom of Denmark and commonly known in the United Kingdom, and in that licence referred to, as the Great Northern Telegraph Company Limited).
- (2) Nothing done, on or after the appointed day, under, and in accordance with the terms of, an instrument to which this paragraph applies, shall constitute an infringement of the privilege conferred by section 24(1) of this Act.
- 10 (1) Any licence operating by way of exception from the exclusive privilege conferred by section 4 of the <sup>M185</sup>Telegraph Act 1869 on the Postmaster General which is effective at the appointed day (not being a licence under the <sup>M186</sup>Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949) shall, as from that day, have effect as if it had been granted under section 27(1) of this Act and—
- (a) as if references to the Crown (except in contexts referring to a Minister of the Crown) or to the Postmaster General or the Post Office (except in cases where they fall to be adapted by head (b) below) were references to the authority established by section 6 of this Act; and
  - (b) as if—
    - (i) references in general terms (however worded) to officers of the Postmaster General, to officers of the Post Office (otherwise than

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as defined by section 87(1) of the <sup>M187</sup>Post Office Act 1953), or to servants of the Postmaster General or the Post Office were (or, if the context so requires, included) references to persons employed by the authority established by section 6 of this Act;

- (ii) references in general terms (however worded) to officers of the Post Office as so defined were (or, if the context so requires, included) references to persons engaged in the business of the said authority;
  - (iii) references in general terms (however worded) to agents of the Postmaster General or the Post Office were (or, if the context so requires, included) references to agents of the said authority;
  - (iv) references (however worded) to an officer of the Postmaster General or the Post Office holding a specified office were references to the person employed by the said authority who corresponds, as nearly as may be, to the first-mentioned officer; and
  - (v) references (however worded) to a servant of the Postmaster General or the Post Office serving in a specified capacity were references to the person employed by the said authority who corresponds, as nearly as may be, to the first-mentioned servant.
- (2) Any instrument issued in pursuance of a licence falling within the foregoing sub-paragraph, being an instrument effective at the appointed day, shall, as from that day, have effect subject to the like modifications as those provided for by heads (a) and (b) of that sub-paragraph in the case of the licence.

**Marginal Citations**

**M185** 1869 c. 73.

**M186** 1949 c. 54.

**M187** 1953 c. 36.

- 11 A notice or certificate given, request made or requirement imposed under any provision of the enactments relating to telegraphs by, to or on the Postmaster General which is effective at the appointed day shall, as from that day, have effect as if given, made or imposed by, to or on the Post Office.
- 12 An authority granted under section 5(1) of the <sup>M188</sup>Telegraph Act 1892 which is effective at the appointed day shall, as from that day, have effect as if it had been granted under that section as amended by paragraph 5 of Schedule 4 to this Act.

**Marginal Citations**

**M188** 1892 c. 59.

- 13 Any such council as is mentioned in the <sup>M189</sup>Telegraph Act 1899 which, at the beginning of the appointed day, is licensed by the Postmaster General to provide a system of public telephonic communication, shall, so long as the licence continues in force, be deemed, for the purposes of that Act, to be licensed by the Post Office so to provide.

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[M189](#) 1899 c. 38.

- 14 (1) A notice given under section 26 of the <sup>M190</sup>Electric Lighting Act 1882 by undertakers to the Postmaster General which is effective at the appointed day shall, as from that day, have effect as if given to the Post Office; any requirements made under that section by the Postmaster General which are so effective shall, as from that day, have effect as if made by the Post Office; and any arbitration on a difference under that section which is in progress immediately before that day may be continued with the substitution of the Post Office for the Postmaster General as a party thereto.
- (2) A requirement imposed under section 4(2) of the <sup>M191</sup>Electric Lighting Act 1888 by the Postmaster General which is effective at the appointed day shall, as from that day, have effect as if imposed by the Post Office.
- (3) An approval given under section 10(c) of the Schedule to the <sup>M192</sup>Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act 1899 with the concurrence of the Postmaster General which is effective at the appointed day shall, as from that day, have effect as if given with the concurrence of the Post Office; a notice served under section 14 of that Schedule by undertakers on the Postmaster General which is so effective shall, as from that day, have effect as if served on the Post Office; a requirement imposed or approval or disapproval notified under that section by the Postmaster General which is effective at the appointed day shall, as from that day, have effect as if imposed or notified by the Post Office; and a requirement imposed under section 60 of that Schedule which is effective at the appointed day shall, as from that day, have effect as if imposed by the Post Office.
- (4) Any notice given under section 20 of the Schedule to the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act 1899 to the Postmaster General which is effective at the appointed day shall, as from that day, have effect as if given to the Post Office, any requisition served under that section by the Postmaster General which is effective at that day shall, as from that day, have effect as if served by the Post Office and any arbitration under that section which is in progress immediately before that day, being an arbitration to which the Postmaster General is a party, may be continued with the substitution of the Post Office for the Postmaster General.

#### Marginal Citations

[M190](#) 1882 c. 56.

[M191](#) 1888 c. 12.

[M192](#) 1899 c. 19.

15<sup>F356</sup>, 16

#### Textual Amendments

[F356](#) Sch. 9 paras. 3(1)(3)(4)(6), 4, 5, 8, 15, 16, 18, 19 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981](#) (c. 38), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

- 17 (1) No steps shall be taken for the enforcement of a building law with respect to works on land that vests in the Post Office by virtue of section 16 of this Act, being works

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begun before the appointed day, or with respect to works on land begun by the Post Office before the expiration of six months beginning with that day; nor shall any proceedings for the recovery of a fine or other penalty be brought against the Post Office for having carried out or retained any such works as aforesaid which do not comply with a building law.

- (2) In the foregoing sub-paragraph, “building law” means any obligation or restriction as to the construction, nature or situation of works on land or as to any other circumstances of such works (including the use of the land) having effect by virtue of—
- (a) .....
  - (b) an enactment contained in Part II or IV of the <sup>M193</sup>Public Health Act 1936 or Part II of the <sup>M194</sup>Public Health Act 1961 or byelaws or regulations made under an enactment so contained;
  - (c) the London Building Acts 1930 to 1939 or byelaws made thereunder;
  - (d) [<sup>F357</sup>the <sup>M195</sup>Thermal Insulation (Industrial Buildings) Act 1957 or regulations made thereunder];
  - (e) section 72, 73, 74, 75, 81 or 159 of the <sup>M196</sup>Highways Act 1959;
  - (f) paragraph 13, 15 or 18 of Part III of Schedule 9 to the <sup>M197</sup>London Government Act 1963 or byelaws made under paragraph 6 of that Part of that Schedule; or
  - (g) any enactment contained in a local Act made for purposes similar to the purposes of any of the aforesaid enactments or any byelaws made under any enactment contained in a local Act so made;

and “works” includes any building, structure, excavation or other work on land.

- (3) Any reference in this paragraph to non-compliance with a building law means, in relation to any works on land, that the construction, nature or situation of the works or any other circumstances thereof (including the use of the land) are such either that the works do not comply with the building law in question or that, by virtue of that law, the rejection of plans for the works is expressly required or authorised.
- (4) Any reference in this paragraph to the enforcement of a building law shall be construed as a reference to securing (whether by the doing of work on land or the requiring, by injunction or otherwise, that some other person shall do work on land) that works on land not complying with the building law in question shall either be demolished or removed or be altered so as to comply therewith.
- (5) In the application of this paragraph to Scotland, the following shall be substituted for heads (a) to (g) of sub-paragraph (2):—
- “(a) an enactment contained in the Burgh Police (Scotland) Acts 1892 to 1903 or under the Public Health (Scotland) Act 1897 or byelaws made under any such enactment;
  - (b) the Roads Improvement Act 1925;
  - <sup>F358</sup>(c) .....
  - (d) section 53 of the Water (Scotland) Act 1946;
  - (e) the Thermal Insulation (Industrial Buildings) Act 1957 or regulations made thereunder;
  - (f) the Building (Scotland) Act 1959 or regulations made thereunder;
  - (g) the Sewerage (Scotland) Act 1968;

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- (h) any enactment contained in a local Act made for purposes similar to the purposes of any of the aforesaid enactments or any byelaws made under any enactment contained in a local Act so made; or
  - (i) any enactment or rule of the common law conferring powers on a dean of guild court”
- (6) In the application of this paragraph to Northern Ireland, the following shall be substituted for heads (a) to (g) of sub-paragraph (2):—
- “(a) section 9 of the Summary Jurisdiction (Ireland) Act 1851;
  - (b) an enactment contained in the Public Health Acts (Northern Ireland) 1878 to 1967 or byelaws made under an enactment so contained;
  - (c) an enactment contained in the Housing Acts (Northern Ireland) 1890 to 1967;
  - (d) the Roads Improvement Act (Northern Ireland) 1928; or
  - (e) any enactment contained in a local Act made for purposes similar to the purposes of any of the aforesaid enactments or any byelaws or orders made under any enactment contained in a local Act so made”

#### Textual Amendments

**F357** Words repealed (E.W.) by [S.I. 1985/1936, reg. 3\(2\)](#), [Sch. 4](#)

**F358** [Sch. 9 para. 17\(5\)\(c\)](#) repealed (8.11.1995) by 1995 C. 44, s. 1, [Sch. 1 Pt. VI](#)

#### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

**C60** [Sch. 9 para. 17\(2\)\(a\)](#) repealed (8.11.1995) by 1995 c. 44, s. 1, [Sch. 1 Pt. VI](#)

#### Marginal Citations

**M193** 1936 c. 49.

**M194** 1961 c. 64.

**M195** 1957 c. 40.

**M196** 1959 c. 25.

**M197** 1963 c. 33.

18<sup>F359</sup>, 19

#### Textual Amendments

**F359** [Sch. 9 paras. 3\(1\)\(3\)\(4\)\(6\), 4, 5, 8, 15, 16, 18, 19](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

- 20 (1) Nothing in Part III of this Act shall affect the validity of anything done by, or in relation to, the Postmaster General before the appointed day under or by virtue of the <sup>M198</sup>Public Utilities Street Works Act 1950; and anything which, immediately before that day, is in process of being done under, or by virtue of, that Act by or in relation to him (including, in particular, any legal proceedings to which he is a party) may be continued by, or in relation to, the Post Office.
- (2) Any notice or direction given or other thing whatsoever done under the said Act of 1950 by the Postmaster General shall, if effective at the appointed day, continue in force and have effect as if similarly given or done by the Post Office.

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M198 1950 c. 39.

21<sup>F360</sup>

#### Textual Amendments

**F360** Sch. 9 para. 21 repealed by [Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 \(c. 10\)](#), ss. 537(1), 539, **Sch. 16**

22<sup>F361</sup> —  
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#### Textual Amendments

**F361** Sch. 9 paras. 22–26 repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), **Sch. 6 Pt. I**

- 27 (1) Where, between the passing of this Act and the appointed day, the Postmaster General notifies a local planning authority in writing of a proposal to carry out development of land, and, before that day and the expiration of the relevant period, that authority notifies the Postmaster General in writing that it has no objection to the proposal, planning permission for the development shall be deemed to be granted by that authority on that day subject to the relevant condition as to time.
- (2) Where, between the passing of this Act and the appointed day, the Postmaster General notifies a local planning authority in writing of a proposal to carry out development of land, and, before that day and the expiration of the relevant period, that authority notifies the Postmaster General in writing that it has no objection to the proposal provided that conditions specified by it in the notification are complied with (not being conditions containing a stipulation as to the time at which the development must be begun or completed), planning permission for the development shall—
- (a) except in a case in which those conditions are subsequently either modified as mentioned in the following provisions of this sub-paragraph or withdrawn as so mentioned, be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to those conditions and to the relevant condition as to time;
  - (b) in a case in which those conditions are subsequently modified by that authority in writing with the written concurrence of the Postmaster General, be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to those conditions as so modified and to the relevant condition as to time;
  - (c) in a case in which those conditions are withdrawn by that authority in writing addressed to the Postmaster General, be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to the relevant condition as to time.
- (3) Where, between the passing of this Act and the appointed day, the Postmaster General notifies a local planning authority in writing of a proposal to carry out development of land, and before that day and the expiration of the relevant period, that authority notifies the Postmaster General in writing that it has no objection to the proposal provided that conditions specified by it in the notification are complied with (being conditions containing a stipulation as to the time at which the development must be begun or completed), planning permission for the development shall—

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- (a) except in a case in which those conditions are subsequently either modified as mentioned in the following provisions of this sub-paragraph or withdrawn as so mentioned, be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to those conditions;
  - (b) in the case in which those conditions are subsequently modified by that authority in writing with the written concurrence of the Postmaster General (otherwise than by withdrawing the stipulation as to time), be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to those conditions as so modified;
  - (c) in a case in which those conditions (except so far as containing the stipulation as to time) are withdrawn by that authority in writing addressed to the Postmaster General, be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to the condition containing that stipulation.
- (4) Where, between the passing of this Act and the appointed day, the Postmaster General notifies a local planning authority in writing of a proposal to carry out development of land, and—
- (a) the relevant period expires with the day immediately preceding the appointed day or with an earlier day; and
  - (b) that authority does not, before the expiration of that period, notify the Postmaster General in writing as mentioned in sub-paragraph (1), (2) or (3) above or that it objects to the proposal;
- planning permission for the development shall be deemed to be granted by the authority on the appointed day subject to the relevant condition as to time.
- (5) The foregoing sub-paragraphs shall, with requisite modifications, apply in a case where, before the passing of this Act, the Postmaster General has notified a local planning authority in writing of a proposal to carry out development of land (but that development has not been carried out before the appointed day) as they apply in a case where he does so between the passing of this Act and that day.
- (6) Where, by virtue of sub-paragraph (2) or (3) above, planning permission for the carrying out of development of land consisting in the erection, extension or alteration of a building is deemed to be granted by a local planning authority subject to a condition that the Postmaster General should consult that authority with respect to any matters relating to the siting, design or external appearance of the building or means of access thereto, then, so far as regards any of those matters as to which, before the appointed day, the Postmaster General has not been notified by that authority in writing that it is satisfied with the way in which that matter is to be dealt with, it shall be deemed, as from that day, to be a matter in the case of which the approval of that authority to the manner in which it is to be dealt with is required under a development order and the planning permission shall be deemed to be granted subject to a condition that application for approval must be made not later than the expiration of three years beginning with that day.
- (7) [F362Part XII of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990] shall not have effect in a case in which planning permission is deemed, by virtue of this paragraph, to be granted.

F363F364 (8) . . . . .

- (9) Every local planning authority shall, with respect to each case in which planning permission is deemed, by virtue of this paragraph, to be granted by it, include, in that

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part of the register kept by it under [F365 section 69 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990] that contains entries relating to applications for planning permission that have been finally disposed of, the following particulars, namely,—

- (a) the date on which the permission is deemed to be granted;
- (b) a general description of the development to which the permission relates and of the land to be developed in accordance with the permission;
- (c) in a case in which the authority approves, in relation to the development to which the permission relates, anything which, by virtue of sub-paragraph (6) above, falls to be approved by it, the date on which it does so;
- (d) in a case in which, in consequence of the operation of that sub-paragraph, an appeal as to any matter relating to the development to which the permission relates is entertained by the [F366 Secretary of State] or an application is referred to him, the date on which the appeal or reference is disposed of, and the decision on the appeal or reference.

F363F367(10) .....

F368(11) .....

(12) In this paragraph,—

- (a) “development”, “development order”, “local planning authority” and “planning permission” have, in the application of this paragraph to England and Wales, the same meanings as they have [F369 for the purposes of [F370 the Town and Country Planning Act 1990]] and, in the application of this paragraph to Scotland, the same meanings as in [F371 the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997].
- (b) “the relevant condition as to time”—
  - (i) except in a case in which planning permission is, by virtue of sub-paragraph (6) above, deemed to be granted subject to a condition that application for the approval of matters must be made not later than the expiration of three years beginning with the appointed day, means a condition that the development to which the permission relates must be begun not later than the expiration of five years beginning with that day;
  - (ii) in the said excepted case, means a condition that the development must be begun not later than whichever is the later of the following dates, namely, the expiration of five years from the appointed day and the expiration of two years from the final approval of matters which are the subject of the condition subject to which planning permission is, by virtue of that sub-paragraph, deemed to be granted (or, in the case of approval on different dates, the final approval of the last such matter to be approved);
- (c) “relevant period”, in relation to a notification to a local planning authority of a proposal to carry out development, means the period of two months from the day on which the notification is received by the authority or such longer period as may, before the expiration of the first-mentioned period, be agreed in writing between the authority and the Postmaster General.

(13) For the purposes of this paragraph, development shall be taken to be begun on the earliest date on which any specified operation (as defined in section 64(3) of the Land Commission Act 1967) comprised in the development begins to be carried out.



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- (14) [<sup>F372</sup>Sections 91 and 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990] and [<sup>F373</sup>sections 58 and 59 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997] (which relate to the duration of planning permission) shall not apply to planning permission deemed, by virtue of this paragraph, to be granted.
- (15) [<sup>F374</sup>Subsections (2) and (4) of section 93 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990] (which respectively define final approval of reserved matters and invalidate development carried out, and applications for approval made, out of time) shall have effect for the purposes of this paragraph with the substitution for any reference to a reserved matter of a reference to such a matter as is referred to in sub-paragraph (12)(b)(ii) above, and, for the reference to planning permission having conditions attached to it by or under provisions of [<sup>F374</sup>sections 91 and 92 of that Act of 1990], of a reference to planning permission deemed, by virtue of this paragraph, to be granted.
- <sup>F363</sup>(16) For the purposes of the general application of this paragraph to Scotland, in sub-paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) the words “and the expiration of the relevant period” and sub-paragraphs (4) and (12)(c) shall be omitted.
- (17) This paragraph does not extend to Northern Ireland.

#### Extent Information

- E2** This version of this provision extends to England and Wales only; a separate version has been created for Scotland only.

#### Textual Amendments

- F362** Words in **Sch. 9, para. 27(7)** substituted (E.W.)(25.9.1991) by **Planning and Compensation Act 1991** (c. 34, SIF 123:1), s. 31(4), **Sch. 6, para. 4** (with s. 84(5)); S.I. 1991/2067, **art.3**
- F363** Words repealed by **Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972** (c. 52), s. 277(2), **Sch. 23**
- F364** **Sch. 9 para. 27(8)** repealed (E.W.) by **Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990** (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 3, **Sch. 1 Pt. II** and para. 27(8) expressed to be repealed (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 3, 6(2), **Sch. 1** (with s. 5, **Sch. 3**)
- F365** Words substituted (as they apply in England and Wales) by **Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990** (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 4, **Sch. 2 para. 24(3)(a)(ii)**
- F366** Words substituted (E.W.) by virtue of S.I. 1970/1681, **art. 2, 6(3)**
- F367** **Sch. 9 para. 27(10)** repealed (19.11.1998) by 1998 c. 43, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. IV** Group 2
- F368** **Sch. 9 para. 27(11)** repealed (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 3, 6(2), **Sch. 1** (with s. 5, **Sch. 3**)
- F369** Words substituted by **Town and Country Planning Act 1971** (c. 78), **Sch. 23 Pt. II**
- F370** Words substituted by **Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990** (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 4, **Sch. 2 para. 24(3)(a)(iii)**
- F371** Words in **Sch. 9 para. 27(12)(a)** substituted (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(2)(a)(iii)**
- F372** Words substituted by **Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990** (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 4, **Sch. 2 para. 24(3)(a)(iv)**
- F373** Words in **Sch. 9 para. 27(14)** substituted (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(2)(a)(iv)**
- F374** Words substituted (as they apply in England and Wales) by **Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990** (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 4, **Sch. 2 para. 24(3)(a)(v)**

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- 27 (1) Where, between the passing of this Act and the appointed day, the Postmaster General notifies a local planning authority in writing of a proposal to carry out development of land, and, before that day <sup>F419</sup> . . . , that authority notifies the Postmaster General in writing that it has no objection to the proposal, planning permission for the development shall be deemed to be granted by that authority on that day subject to the relevant condition as to time.
- (2) Where, between the passing of this Act and the appointed day, the Postmaster General notifies a local planning authority in writing of a proposal to carry out development of land, and, before that day <sup>F419</sup> . . . , that authority notifies the Postmaster General in writing that it has no objection to the proposal provided that conditions specified by it in the notification are complied with (not being conditions containing a stipulation as to the time at which the development must be begun or completed), planning permission for the development shall—
- (a) except in a case in which those conditions are subsequently either modified as mentioned in the following provisions of this sub-paragraph or withdrawn as so mentioned, be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to those conditions and to the relevant condition as to time;
  - (b) in a case in which those conditions are subsequently modified by that authority in writing with the written concurrence of the Postmaster General, be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to those conditions as so modified and to the relevant condition as to time;
  - (c) in a case in which those conditions are withdrawn by that authority in writing addressed to the Postmaster General, be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to the relevant condition as to time.
- (3) Where, between the passing of this Act and the appointed day, the Postmaster General notifies a local planning authority in writing of a proposal to carry out development of land, and before that day <sup>F419</sup> . . . , that authority notifies the Postmaster General in writing that it has no objection to the proposal provided that conditions specified by it in the notification are complied with (being conditions containing a stipulation as to the time at which the development must be begun or completed), planning permission for the development shall—
- (a) except in a case in which those conditions are subsequently either modified as mentioned in the following provisions of this sub-paragraph or withdrawn as so mentioned, be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to those conditions;
  - (b) in the case in which those conditions are subsequently modified by that authority in writing with the written concurrence of the Postmaster General (otherwise than by withdrawing the stipulation as to time), be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to those conditions as so modified;
  - (c) in a case in which those conditions (except so far as containing the stipulation as to time) are withdrawn by that authority in writing addressed to the Postmaster General, be deemed to be granted by that authority on the appointed day subject to the condition containing that stipulation.
- <sup>F420</sup>(4) . . . . .
- (5) The foregoing sub-paragraphs shall, with requisite modifications, apply in a case where, before the passing of this Act, the Postmaster General has notified a local planning authority in writing of a proposal to carry out development of land (but that

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development has not been carried out before the appointed day) as they apply in a case where he does so between the passing of this Act and that day.

- (6) Where, by virtue of sub-paragraph (2) or (3) above, planning permission for the carrying out of development of land consisting in the erection, extension or alteration of a building is deemed to be granted by a local planning authority subject to a condition that the Postmaster General should consult that authority with respect to any matters relating to the siting, design or external appearance of the building or means of access thereto, then, so far as regards any of those matters as to which, before the appointed day, the Postmaster General has not been notified by that authority in writing that it is satisfied with the way in which that matter is to be dealt with, it shall be deemed, as from that day, to be a matter in the case of which the approval of that authority to the manner in which it is to be dealt with is required under a development order and the planning permission shall be deemed to be granted subject to a condition that application for approval must be made not later than the expiration of three years beginning with that day.
- (7) [F421Part XII of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997] shall not have effect in a case in which planning permission is deemed, by virtue of this paragraph, to be granted.

F422F423 (8) .....

- (9) Every local planning authority shall, with respect to each case in which planning permission is deemed, by virtue of this paragraph, to be granted by it, include, in that part of the register kept by it under [F424section 36 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997] that contains entries relating to applications for planning permission that have been finally disposed of, the following particulars, namely,—
- (a) the date on which the permission is deemed to be granted;
  - (b) a general description of the development to which the permission relates and of the land to be developed in accordance with the permission;
  - (c) in a case in which the authority approves, in relation to the development to which the permission relates, anything which, by virtue of sub-paragraph (6) above, falls to be approved by it, the date on which it does so;
  - (d) in a case in which, in consequence of the operation of that sub-paragraph, an appeal as to any matter relating to the development to which the permission relates is entertained by the [F425Secretary of State] or an application is referred to him, the date on which the appeal or reference is disposed of, and the decision on the appeal or reference.

F422F426 (10) .....

F427 (11) .....

- (12) In this paragraph,—
- (a) “development”, “development order”, “local planning authority” and “planning permission” have, in the application of this paragraph to England and Wales, the same meanings as they have [F428for the purposes of [F429the Town and Country Planning Act 1990]] and, in the application of this paragraph to Scotland, the same meanings as in [F430the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997].

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- (b) “the relevant condition as to time”—
  - (i) except in a case in which planning permission is, by virtue of sub-paragraph (6) above, deemed to be granted subject to a condition that application for the approval of matters must be made not later than the expiration of three years beginning with the appointed day, means a condition that the development to which the permission relates must be begun not later than the expiration of five years beginning with that day;
  - (ii) in the said excepted case, means a condition that the development must be begun not later than whichever is the later of the following dates, namely, the expiration of five years from the appointed day and the expiration of two years from the final approval of matters which are the subject of the condition subject to which planning permission is, by virtue of that sub-paragraph, deemed to be granted (or, in the case of approval on different dates, the final approval of the last such matter to be approved);

<sup>F420</sup>(c) .....

- (13) For the purposes of this paragraph, development shall be taken to be begun on the earliest date on which any specified operation (as defined in section 64(3) of the Land Commission Act 1967) comprised in the development begins to be carried out.
- (14) [<sup>F431</sup>Sections 91 and 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990] and [<sup>F432</sup>sections 58 and 59 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997] (which relate to the duration of planning permission) shall not apply to planning permission deemed, by virtue of this paragraph, to be granted.
- (15) [<sup>F433</sup>Subsections (2) and (4) of section 60 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997] (which respectively define final approval of reserved matters and invalidate development carried out, and applications for approval made, out of time) shall have effect for the purposes of this paragraph with the substitution for any reference to a reserved matter of a reference to such a matter as is referred to in sub-paragraph (12)(b)(ii) above, and, for the reference to planning permission having conditions attached to it by or under provisions of [<sup>F434</sup>sections 58 and 59 of that Act], of a reference to planning permission deemed, by virtue of this paragraph, to be granted.
- <sup>F422</sup>(16) For the purposes of the general application of this paragraph to Scotland, in sub-paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) the words “and the expiration of the relevant period” and sub-paragraphs (4) and (12)(c) shall be omitted.
- (17) This paragraph does not extend to Northern Ireland.

**Extent Information**

**E3** This version of this provision extends to Scotland only; a separate version has been created for England and Wales only.

**Textual Amendments**

**F419** Words in [Sch. 9 para. 27\(1\)\(2\)\(3\)](#) omitted for purposes of general application of para. 27 to Scotland pursuant to para. 27(16)

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- F420** Sch. 9 para. 27(4)(12)(c) omitted for purposes of general application of para. 27 to Scotland pursuant to para. 27(16)
- F421** Words in Sch. 9 para. 27(7) substituted (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(2)(a)(i)**
- F422** Words repealed by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), s. 277(2), **Sch. 23**
- F423** Sch. 9 para. 27(8) repealed (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 3, 6(2), **Sch. 1** (with s. 5, Sch. 3)
- F424** Words in Sch. 9 para. 27(9) substituted (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(2)(a)(ii)**
- F425** Words substituted (S.) by Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c. 52), **Sch. 21 Pt. II**
- F426** Sch. 9 para. 27(10) repealed (19.11.1998) by 1998 c. 43, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. IV** Group 2
- F427** Sch. 9 para. 27(11) repealed (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 3, 6(2), **Sch. 1** (with s. 5, Sch. 3)
- F428** Words substituted by Town and Country Planning Act 1971 (c. 78), **Sch. 23 Pt. II**
- F429** Words substituted by Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990 (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 4, **Sch. 2 para. 24(3)(a)(iii)**
- F430** Words in Sch. 9 para. 27(12)(a) substituted (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(2)(a)(iii)**
- F431** Words substituted by Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990 (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 4, **Sch. 2 para. 24(3)(a)(iv)**
- F432** Words in Sch. 9 para. 27(14) substituted (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(2)(a)(iv)**
- F433** Words in Sch. 9 para. 27(15) substituted (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(2)(a)(v)**
- F434** Words in Sch. 9 para. 27(15) substituted (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(2)(a)(v)**

- 28 (1) Notwithstanding [<sup>F375</sup>section 245 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997] or [<sup>F376</sup>section 296 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990] (exercise of powers in relation to Crown land), planning permission for the development by the Post Office of land which is Crown land within the meaning of that section by reason only of the subsistence therein of an interest of the Postmaster General may be granted under either Act in pursuance of an application therefor made by the Post Office before the appointed day, and [<sup>F375</sup>section 35 of the Act of 1997] and [<sup>F376</sup>sections 66 and 67 of the said Act of 1990] (certificates required to accompany application) shall not apply to an application that may be granted by virtue of this sub-paragraph or to an appeal from a decision to refuse to grant planning permission in pursuance of such an application or to grant it subject to conditions.
- (2) Any approval required under a development order (within the meaning of [<sup>F377</sup>the said Act of 1997] or of [<sup>F378</sup>the said Act of 1990]) in relation to development of such land as is mentioned in the foregoing sub-paragraph, being development proposed to be carried out by the Post Office, may be granted in pursuance of an application therefor made by the Post Office before the appointed day.

#### Textual Amendments

- F375** Words in Sch. 9 para. 27 substituted (U.K.)(27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(2)(b)(i)**
- F376** Words substituted by Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990 (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 4, **Sch. 2 para. 24(3)(b)(i)**
- F377** Words in Sch. 9 para. 28(2) substituted (U.K.)(27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), **Sch. 2 para. 19(2)(b)(ii)**
- F378** Words substituted by Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990 (c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2), s. 4, **Sch. 2 para. 24(3)(b)(ii)**

- 29 No enforcement notice shall be served by virtue of [<sup>F379</sup>paragraph 28 of Schedule 22 to the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (as it continues in effect by virtue of Schedule 3 to the Planning (Consequential Provisions)(Scotland) Act 1997)] or under [<sup>F380</sup>paragraph 34 of Schedule 24 to the Town and Country

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Planning Act 1971 (as it continues in effect by virtue of Schedule 3 to the Planning (Consequential Provisions) Act 1990)] in respect of works carried out on land that vests in the Post Office by virtue of section 16 of this Act or in respect of use of land that so vests; and no enforcement notice shall be served under [<sup>F380</sup>section 172 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990] or [<sup>F381</sup>section 127 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997] in respect of development carried out before the appointed day on land that so vests.

**Textual Amendments**

- F379** Words in [Sch. 9 para. 29](#) substituted (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), [Sch. 2 para. 19\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- F380** Words substituted by [Planning \(Consequential Provisions\) Act 1990 \(c. 11, SIF 123:1, 2\)](#), s. 4, [Sch. 2 para. 24\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- F381** Words in [Sch. 9 para. 29](#) substituted (27.5.1997) by 1997 c. 11, ss. 4, 6(2), [Sch. 2 para. 19\(2\)\(c\)](#)

30 Neither an interim development authority, nor, where the [<sup>F382</sup>Department of Development for Northern Ireland] is exercising any of the functions of such an authority, that [<sup>F382</sup>Department], shall take any action under section 4 of the <sup>M199</sup>Planning (Interim Development) Act (Northern Ireland) 1944 (enforcement of interim development control) in respect of any development carried out before the appointed day in or on land that vests in the Post Office by virtue of section 16 of this Act.

**Textual Amendments**

- F382** Words substituted by virtue of [Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973 \(c. 36\)](#), [Sch. 5 para. 8\(1\)](#)

**Marginal Citations**

- M199** 1944 c. 3 (N.I.)

31<sup>F383</sup>, 32

**Textual Amendments**

- F383** [Sch. 9 paras. 31, 32](#) repealed by [British Telecommunications Act 1981 \(c. 38\)](#), [Sch. 6 Pt. I](#)

<sup>F384</sup>33 .....

**Textual Amendments**

- F384** [Sch. 9 para. 33](#) repealed (22.8.1996) by 1996 c. 18, ss. 242, 243, [Sch. 3 Pt. I](#) (with ss. 191-195, 202)

<sup>F385</sup> .....

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**Textual Amendments**

- F385** [Sch. 9 para. 34](#) repealed by [Employment Protection \(Consolidation\) Act 1978 \(c. 44\)](#), [Sch. 17](#)

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F386 35 .....

**Textual Amendments**

F386 S. 35 repealed (24.9.1996) by S.I. 1996/1919, arts. 256, 257, Sch. 3 (with saving in Sch. 2)

36<sup>F387</sup>—  
47.

**Textual Amendments**

F387 Sch. 9 paras. 36–47 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. I

48<sup>F388</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

F388 Sch. 9 para. 48 repealed by Social Security Act 1973 (c. 38), Sch. 28 Pt. I

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

C61 Sch. 9 para. 48: power to continue conferred (1.7.1992) by Social Security (Consequential Provisions) Act 1992 (c. 6), ss. 5, 7(2), Sch. 3 Pt. II para.15

49 Where works on land vested in the Post Office by virtue of this Act are executed by it so as injuriously to affect another person who would, had the works been executed by the Postmaster General, have had a right to receive from him compensation in respect of the injurious affection, that person shall have the right to receive from the Post Office compensation in respect of the injurious affection.

50<sup>F389</sup>

**Textual Amendments**

F389 Sch. 9 para. 50 repealed by British Telecommunications Act 1981 (c. 38), Sch. 6 Pt. I

51 An indemnity given under section 13 of the <sup>M200</sup>National Debt Act 1958 to the Postmaster General shall, if effective at the appointed day, have effect, as from that day, as if given to the Director of Savings.

**Marginal Citations**

M200 1958 c. 6 (7 & 8 Eliz. 2).

52 Any reference to the Postmaster General in a prospectus issued with respect to securities issued under the <sup>M201</sup>National Loans Act 1939 or the <sup>M202</sup>National Loans Act 1968 shall, as from the appointed day, be construed as referring to the Director of Savings.

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M201 1939 c. 117.

M202 1968 c. 13.

- 53 Where the Crown retains possession of any documents of title to any land any part of which is vested by virtue of section 16 of this Act in the Post Office, the Minister shall be assumed to have given to the Post Office an acknowledgment in writing of the right of the Post Office to production of those documents and to delivery of copies thereof, and, so far as relates to land in England or Wales, section 64 of the <sup>M203</sup>Law of Property Act 1925 shall have effect accordingly, and on the basis that the acknowledgment did not contain any such expression of contrary intention as is mentioned in that section and, so far as relates to land in Northern Ireland, section 9 of the <sup>M204</sup>Conveyancing Act 1881 shall have similar effect.

**Marginal Citations**

M203 1925 c. 20.

M204 1881 c. 41.

- 54 Any legal proceedings or applications pending on the appointed day by or against the Crown, being proceedings or applications instituted or made by or against the Postmaster General or his department (but not being proceedings in the case of which express provision is made by some other provision of this Act with respect to the continuance thereof) may be continued by or against the appropriate government department authorised for the purposes of the <sup>M205</sup>Crown Proceedings Act 1947.

**Marginal Citations**

M205 1947 c. 44.

SCHEDULE 10

Section 138.

SPECIAL TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS WITH RESPECT TO  
 PATENTS FOR INVENTIONS AND REGISTERED DESIGNS

PART I

PATENTS FOR INVENTIONS

- 1 For the purposes of so much of section 32(1) of the <sup>M206</sup>Patents Act 1949 as provides that a patent may be revoked on the grounds that the invention, so far as claimed in any claim of the complete specification, was secretly used in the United Kingdom before the priority date of that claim, no account shall be taken of any use, on or after the appointed day, of the invention by the Post Office or a person authorised by it,



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in consequence of the applicant for the patent or any person from whom he derives title having communicated or disclosed the invention directly or indirectly,—

- (a) before the appointed day, to a government department or person authorised by a government department; or
- (b) on or after the appointed day, in pursuance of an agreement in the case of which rights and liabilities thereunder vest in the Post Office by virtue of sections 16 to 18 of this Act, to the Post Office or a person authorised by it.

#### Marginal Citations

M206 1949 c. 87.

- 2 (1) Where an agreement in the case of which rights and liabilities thereunder vest in the Post Office by virtue of sections 16 to 18 of this Act contains provision—
- (a) conferring authority under section 46(1) of the <sup>M207</sup>Patents Act 1949 for the making, use or exercise of an invention for a purpose referable to the functions of the Postmaster General, or
  - (b) providing for the conferring by the Postmaster General on a person of such an authority under that section,
- then, on and after the appointed day,—
- (i) the authority conferred by the agreement, and any authority conferred before that day in pursuance of such a provision as is mentioned in head (b) above, shall continue in force and shall have effect so as to authorise the making, use and exercise of the invention for a purpose referable to the functions of the Post Office, being a purpose corresponding to that mentioned in head (a) above; and
  - (ii) the provision described in head (b) above shall have effect as if it provided for the conferring by the Post Office of an authority having such effect as is mentioned in the last foregoing head.
- (2) For the purpose of fulfilling obligations imposed on it by virtue of this paragraph, the Post Office shall, on and after the appointed day, have power to confer such an authority as is mentioned in head (ii) of the foregoing sub-paragraph.
- (3) Nothing in the Patents Act 1949 shall be taken to prevent the use by the Post Office, for a purpose referable to its functions, of any articles made and supplied to it in the exercise of an authority continued in force by, or conferred by virtue of, this paragraph.

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M207 1949 c. 87.

- 3 Where, by an agreement in force immediately before the appointed day and made in pursuance of subsection (3) of section 46 of the Patents Act 1949, terms are agreed upon which use of an invention may be made by virtue of that section for the manufacture of articles by the department of the Postmaster General, or the manufacture and supply to that department of articles by a person authorised by it,—

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- (a) the agreement shall (so far as it relates to the use of the invention by, or with the authority of, that department) have effect as from the appointed day as if, for any reference to use by virtue of that section, whether or not it is expressed to be for any purpose referable to functions of the Postmaster General, there were substituted a reference to use by virtue of this paragraph for any purpose referable to functions of the Post Office corresponding to a purpose referable to functions of the Postmaster General, being a purpose in the case of which use of the invention therefor fell within the agreement, and the rights and liabilities of the Postmaster General subsisting immediately before the appointed day under the agreement shall, on that day, vest in the Post Office by virtue of this paragraph, and paragraph 2 of Schedule 9 to this Act shall apply as it does where rights and liabilities so vest by virtue of sections 16 to 18 of this Act;
- (b) the Post Office shall have power to use the invention for the manufacture of articles on the terms of the agreement as it has effect by virtue of this paragraph, and any person authorised by the Post Office in writing shall have power to use the invention for manufacture and supply to the Post Office on such terms, and the Post Office shall, accordingly, have power to use, for purposes referable to its functions, articles so manufactured by, or supplied to, it.
- 4 (1) If an obligation of the department of the Postmaster General incurred under section 46(5) of the <sup>M208</sup>Patents Act 1949 to give a notification or furnish information to a person has not been fulfilled before the appointed day, the Post Office shall, on that day, become under obligation to give the notification or furnish the information to that person; and the Post Office shall, on and after that day, be under obligation to furnish to any person who requires it such other information as to the extent of use before that day of an invention as that department could have been required under the said section 46(5) to furnish to that person if this Act had not passed.
- (2) Subject to sub-paragraph (4) below, where, on or after the appointed day, use of an invention is begun under an authority continued in force by, or conferred by virtue of, paragraph 2 of this Schedule, the Post Office shall notify the patentee as soon as practicable after the use is begun.
- (3) Subject as aforesaid, the Post Office shall furnish the patentee with such information as he may from time to time require as to the extent of use, if any, of the invention after the beginning of the appointed day under such an authority as is mentioned in the last foregoing sub-paragraph or by virtue of paragraph 3 of this Schedule.
- (4) Nothing in the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall impose on the Post Office an obligation to give notification or furnish information if the Minister notifies it that it is contrary to the public interest to do so.

**Marginal Citations**

M208 1949 c. 87.

- 5 Where, in the case of an invention, an authority for its use is continued in force by, or is conferred by virtue of, paragraph 2 of this Schedule, then—

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- (a) if and so far as the invention has, before the priority date of the relevant claim of the complete specification, been duly recorded by or tried by or on behalf of a government department otherwise than in consequence of the communication thereof, directly or indirectly, by the patentee or a person from whom he derives title, any use of the invention by virtue of the said paragraph 2 may be made free of any royalty or other payment to the patentee;
- (b) if and so far as the invention has not been so recorded or tried as aforesaid, any use of the invention by virtue of the said paragraph 2 at any time after the acceptance of the complete specification in respect of the patent or in consequence of any such communication as aforesaid, shall—
  - (i) except where an agreement as to terms for the use of the invention was made before the appointed day under section 46(3) of the <sup>M209</sup>Patents Act 1949 or a determination as to those terms was made by the court under section 48 of that Act, be made upon such terms as may be agreed upon, either before or after the use, between the Post Office and the patentee, or as may, in default of such an agreement, be determined by the court on a reference under paragraph 9 of this Schedule;
  - (ii) in the said excepted case, be made upon the terms of the said agreement or determination.

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**M209** 1949 c. 87.

- 6 The authority of the Post Office in respect of an invention may be given under paragraph 2 or 3 of this Schedule either before or after the patent is granted and either before or after the acts in respect of which the authority is given are done, but not so as to authorise the doing before the appointed day of any act; and such authority may be given to any person whether or not he is authorised, directly or indirectly, by the patentee to make, use, exercise or vend the invention.
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  - (1) The Post Office shall have power to use, for a purpose referable to its functions, any article vested in it and made before the appointed day, in the exercise of the powers conferred by section 46 of the Patents Act 1949, by a government department, or a person authorised by a government department.
  - (2) In the case of articles described in the foregoing sub-paragraph, and articles vested in the Post Office and made on or after the appointed day under an authority continued in force by, or conferred by virtue of, paragraph 2 of this Schedule, the Post Office, if the circumstances are such that their supply to the government of a country outside the United Kingdom is, by virtue of section 46(6) of the Patents Act 1949 included among the services of the Crown, shall have power to sell them to that government, and if the circumstances are such that their supply to the United Nations is, by virtue of that section, so included, shall have power to sell them to that organisation.
  - (3) In the case of articles mentioned in the last foregoing sub-paragraph and articles vested in the Post Office and made on or after the appointed day by virtue of paragraph 3 of this Schedule, the Post Office shall have power to sell to any person

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such, if any, of them as are not required for a purpose referable to functions of the Post Office.

- (4) The purchaser of any articles sold in the exercise of powers conferred by this paragraph, and any person claiming through him, shall have power to deal with them in the same manner as if the patent were held by or on behalf of the Post Office.
- 8 (1) In relation to any use of a patented invention or an invention in respect of which an application for a patent is pending, being a use made on or after the appointed day for purposes referable to functions of the Post Office—
- (a) by the Post Office under any power conferred by, or by virtue of, the foregoing provisions of this Act, or by its using articles supplied to it by the patentee or applicant for the patent under an agreement in the case of which rights and liabilities thereunder vest in the Post Office by virtue of sections 16 to 18 of this Act;
  - (b) by a person authorised by an authority continued in force by paragraph 2 above or conferred by virtue of that paragraph or paragraph 3 above;
  - (c) by the patentee or applicant for the patent, for the purpose of satisfying a liability under an agreement in the case of which rights and liabilities thereunder vest in the Post Office by virtue of sections 16 to 18 of this Act;
- the provisions of any licence, assignment or agreement made—
- (i) before the appointed day, between the patentee or applicant for the patent or any person who derives title from him or from whom he derives title, and any person other than a government department; or
  - (ii) on or after the appointed day, between the patentee or applicant for the patent or any person who derives title from him or from whom he derives title, and any person other than the Post Office;
- shall be of no effect so far as those provisions restrict or regulate the use of the invention, or any model, document or information relating thereto, or provide for the making of payments in respect of any such use, or calculated by reference thereto; and the reproduction or publication of any model or document in connection with the said use shall not be deemed to be an infringement of any copyright [<sup>F390</sup> or design right] subsisting in the model or document.
- (2) Where an exclusive licence granted otherwise than for royalties or other benefits determined by reference to the use of the invention is in force under the patent, then,—
- (a) in relation to any use of the invention which, but for the provisions of this paragraph and paragraph 2 of this Schedule would constitute an infringement of the rights of the licensee, paragraph 5 of this Schedule shall have effect as if, for the reference in sub-paragraph (b) thereof to the patentee, there were substituted a reference to the licensee; and
  - (b) in relation to any use of the invention by the licensee by virtue of an authority continued in force by, or conferred by virtue of, paragraph 2 of this Schedule, paragraph 5 thereof shall have effect as if sub-paragraph (b) were omitted.
- (3) Subject to the provisions of the last foregoing sub-paragraph, where the patent, or the right to apply for or obtain the patent, has been assigned to the patentee in consideration of royalties or other benefits determined by reference to the use of the invention, then—

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- (a) in relation to any use of the invention by virtue of paragraph 2 of this Schedule, paragraph 5 thereof shall have effect as if, in sub-paragraph (b), the reference to the patentee included a reference to the assignor, and any sum payable by virtue of that paragraph or an agreement referred to in paragraph 3 of this Schedule shall—
- (i) except where an agreement was made before the appointed day between the patentee and the assignor as to the proportions in which any sum payable in relation to the use of the invention by or under the authority of the department of the Postmaster General by virtue of section 46 of the <sup>M210</sup>Patents Act 1949 should be divided or a determination as to those proportions was made by the court under section 48 of that Act before the appointed day, be divided between the patentee and the assignor in such proportions as may be agreed between them or as may in default of agreement be determined by the court on a reference under paragraph 9 of this Schedule;
- (ii) in the said excepted case, be divided in such proportions as may be provided for by the said agreement or determination; and
- (b) in relation to any use of the invention made after the beginning of the appointed day, being use referable to the functions of the Post Office and made by the patentee for the purpose mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(c) above, paragraph 5(b) of this Schedule shall have effect as if that use were made by virtue of an authority continued in force by paragraph 2 of this Schedule.
- (4) Where, under paragraph 5 of this Schedule or such an agreement as is referred to in paragraph 3 thereof, payments are required to be made by the Post Office to a patentee in respect of any use of an invention, any person, being the holder of an exclusive licence under the patent (not being such a licence as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) of this paragraph) authorising him to make that use of the invention, shall—
- (a) except where an agreement as to the recovery from the patentee of a part of the payments made under section 46(3) of the Patents Act 1949 by the department of the Postmaster General in respect of the use of the invention was made before the appointed day under section 47(4) of that Act or a determination was made before that day under section 48 of that Act by the court as to such recovery, be entitled to recover from the patentee such part (if any) of those payments as may be agreed upon between that person and the patentee or as may, in default of agreement, be determined by the court on a reference under paragraph 9 of this Schedule to be just having regard to any expenditure incurred by that person—
- (i) in developing the said invention, or
- (ii) in making payments to the patentee, other than royalties or other payments determined by reference to the use of the invention, in consideration of the licence;
- (b) in the said excepted case, be entitled to recover such part, if any, of the payments as may be provided for by the said agreement or determination; and if that person, at any time before the amount of any such payment has been settled, gives to the Post Office notice in writing of his interest, any agreement as to the amount of that payment shall be of no effect unless it is made with his consent; and, for the purposes of this sub-paragraph, a notice given before the appointed day

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to the department of the Postmaster General in pursuance of section 47(4) of the <sup>M211</sup>Patents Act 1949 shall have effect as if it had been given to the Post Office.

- (5) Where any models, documents or information relating to an invention are used in connection with any such use of the invention as is described in sub-paragraph (1) above, paragraph 5 of this Schedule shall, whether or not it applies to the use of the invention, apply to the use of the models, documents or information as if, for the reference therein to the patentee, there were substituted a reference to the person entitled to the benefit of any provision of a licence, assignment or agreement which is rendered inoperative by the said sub-paragraph (1) in relation to that use.
- (6) Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as authorising the disclosure to the Post Office or any other person of any model, document or information to the use of which this paragraph applies in contravention of any such licence, assignment or agreement as aforesaid.

#### Textual Amendments

**F390** Words inserted by [Copyright, Design and Patents Act 1988 \(c. 48, SIF 67A\)](#), s. 303(1), [Sch. 7 para. 11](#)

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**M210** 1949 c. 87.

**M211** 1949 c. 87.

- 9 (1) Any dispute as to the exercise by the Post Office or a person authorised by it of powers subsisting by virtue of the foregoing provisions of this Schedule, or as to terms for use thereunder of an invention or any models, documents or information relating to an invention, or as to the right of any person to receive any part of a payment made in pursuance of paragraph 5 of this Schedule or any such agreement as is referred to in paragraph 3 thereof may be referred to the court by either party to the dispute in such manner as is prescribed by the rules for the time being in force for the purposes of section 48(1) of the Patents Act 1949.
- (2) Subsections (2) to (5) of section 48 of the Patents Act 1949 shall have effect in relation to proceedings under the foregoing sub-paragraph and disputes that may be determined thereunder as they do in relation to proceedings and disputes that may be determined under subsection (1) of the said section 48, but subject to the modifications that—
- (a) in subsection (2), for references to a government department there shall be substituted references to the Post Office;
  - (b) in subsection (3), for the references to section 46 of that Act and to the opinion of the government department there shall be substituted respectively references to paragraph 5(a) of this Schedule and to the opinion of the Minister stated in a certificate signed by him; and
  - (c) in subsection (4), for the first reference to a government department there shall be substituted a reference to the Post Office, for the second such reference there shall be substituted a reference to the department of the Postmaster General or the Post Office, and the reference to the services of the Crown shall include a reference to the purposes of the Post Office.
- (3) Any proceedings under the said section 48 which are in progress immediately before the appointed day, being proceedings to which the department of the Postmaster

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General is a party, may be continued with the substitution of the Post Office for that department; but in relation to such proceedings, subsection (3) of the said section 48 shall have effect with the substitution, for the reference to the opinion of a government department, of a reference to the opinion of the Minister stated in a certificate signed by him.

- 10 (1) Where, in pursuance of an agreement made before the appointed day in relation to an invention claimed under a complete specification, between the department of the Postmaster General and the applicant for the patent, or any person from whom he derives title, being an agreement to which the Post Office has become a party by virtue of this Act, communication of the invention is made to the Post Office or a person authorised by it to investigate the invention or its merits, the invention shall not be deemed to have been anticipated by reason only of that communication or of anything done in consequence thereof for the purposes of the investigation.
- (2) An authorisation to investigate an invention given under subsection (1) of section 51 of the <sup>M212</sup>Patents Act 1949 by the department of the Postmaster General and in force immediately before the appointed day shall remain in force on and after that day as if given by the Post Office and, in relation to that invention, the said subsection (1) shall have effect as if references to a government department included references to the Post Office.

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**M212** 1949 c. 87.

- 11 Expressions to which meanings are assigned by the Patents Act 1949 for the purposes of that Act have those meanings also for the purposes of this Part of this Schedule.

## PART II

### REGISTERED DESIGNS

- 12 (1) Where an agreement in the case of which rights and liabilities thereunder vest in the Post Office by virtue of sections 16 to 18 of this Act contains provision—
- (a) conferring authority under paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 1 to the <sup>M213</sup>Registered Designs Act 1949 for the use of a registered design for a purpose referable to the functions of the Postmaster General; or
  - (b) providing for the conferring by the Postmaster General on a person of such an authority under that paragraph,
- then, on and after the appointed day,—
- (i) the authority conferred by the agreement, and any authority conferred before that day in pursuance of such a provision as is mentioned in head (b) above, shall continue in force and shall have effect so as to authorise the use of the design for a purpose referable to the functions of the Post Office, being a purpose corresponding to that mentioned in head (a) above; and

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- (ii) the provision described in head (b) above shall have effect as if it provided for the conferring by the Post Office of an authority having such effect as is mentioned in the last foregoing head.
- (2) For the purpose of fulfilling obligations imposed on it by virtue of this paragraph, the Post Office shall, on and after the appointed day, have power to confer such an authority as is mentioned in head (ii) of the foregoing sub-paragraph.

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**M213** 1949 c. 88.

- 13 Where, by an agreement in force immediately before the appointed day and made in pursuance of sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Registered Designs Act 1949, terms are agreed upon which use of a design may be made by virtue of that paragraph for the manufacture of articles by the department of the Postmaster General, or the manufacture and supply to that department of articles by a person authorised by it,—
- (a) the agreement shall (so far as it relates to the use of the design by, or with the authority of, that department) have effect as from the appointed day as if, for any reference to use by virtue of that paragraph, whether or not it is expressed to be for any purpose referable to functions of the Postmaster General, there were substituted a reference to use by virtue of this paragraph for any purpose referable to functions of the Post Office corresponding to a purpose referable to functions of the Postmaster General, being a purpose in the case of which use of the design therefor fell within the agreement, and the rights and liabilities of the Postmaster General subsisting immediately before the appointed day under the agreement shall on that day vest in the Post Office by virtue of this paragraph, and paragraph 2 of Schedule 9 to this Act shall apply as it does where rights and liabilities so vest by virtue of sections 16 to 18 of this Act;
- (b) the Post Office shall have power to use the design for the manufacture of articles on the terms of the agreement as it has effect by virtue of this paragraph, and any person authorised by the Post Office in writing shall have power to use the design for manufacture and supply to the Post Office on such terms.
- 14 (1) If an obligation of the department of the Postmaster General, incurred under paragraph 1(5) of Schedule 1 to the <sup>M214</sup>Registered Designs Act 1949 to give a notification or furnish information to a person has not been fulfilled before the appointed day, the Post Office shall, on that day, become under obligation to give the notification or furnish the information to that person; and the Post Office shall, on and after that day, be under obligation to furnish to any person who requires it such other information as to the extent of use before that day of a registered design as that department could have been required under this said paragraph 1(5) to furnish to that person if this Act had not passed.
- (2) Subject to sub-paragraph (4) below, where, on or after the appointed day, use of a registered design is begun under an authority continued in force by, or conferred by



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virtue of, paragraph 12 of this Schedule the Post Office shall notify the registered proprietor as soon as practicable after the use is begun.

- (3) Subject as aforesaid, the Post Office shall furnish the registered proprietor with such information as he may from time to time require as to the extent of use, if any, of the registered design after the beginning of the appointed day under such an authority as is mentioned in the last foregoing sub-paragraph or by virtue of paragraph 13 of this Schedule.
- (4) Nothing in the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall impose on the Post Office an obligation to give notification or furnish information if the Minister notifies it that it is contrary to the public interest to do so.

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M214 1949 c. 88.

- 15 Where, in the case of a design, an authority for its use is continued in force by, or is conferred by virtue of, paragraph 12 of this Schedule, then—
- (a) if and so far as the design has, before the date of registration thereof, been duly recorded by or applied by or on behalf of a government department otherwise than in consequence of the communication of the design, directly or indirectly, by the registered proprietor or a person from whom he derives title, any use of the design by virtue of the said paragraph 12 may be made free of any royalty or other payment to the registered proprietor;
- (b) if and so far as the design has not been so recorded or applied as aforesaid, any use of the design by virtue of the said paragraph 12 at any time after the date of registration thereof or in consequence of any such communication as aforesaid, shall—
- (i) except in a case where an agreement as to terms for the use of the design was made before the appointed day under paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 1 to the <sup>M215</sup>Registered Designs Act 1949 or a determination as to those terms was made by the court under paragraph 3 of that Schedule, be made upon such terms as may be agreed upon, either before or after the use, between the Post Office and the registered proprietor or as may, in default of such an agreement, be determined by the court on a reference under paragraph 19 of this Schedule;
- (ii) in the said excepted case, be made upon the terms of the said agreement or determination.

#### Marginal Citations

M215 1949 c. 88.

- 16 The authority of the Post Office in respect of a design may be given under paragraph 12 or 13 of this Schedule either before or after the design is registered and either before or after the acts in respect of which the authority is given are done, but not so as to authorise the doing before the appointed day of any act; and such authority

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may be given to any person whether or not he is authorised, directly or indirectly, by the registered proprietor to use the design.

- 17 (1) In the case of articles vested in the Post Office and made before the appointed day, in the exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Registered Designs Act 1949, and articles so vested and made on or after the appointed day under an authority continued in force by, or conferred by virtue of, paragraph 12 of this Schedule, the Post Office, if the circumstances are such that their supply to the government of a country outside the United Kingdom is, by virtue of paragraph 1(6) of the said Schedule 1 included among the services of the Crown, shall have power to sell them to that government, and if the circumstances are such that their supply to the United Nations is, by virtue of that paragraph, so included, shall have power to sell them to that organisation.
- (2) In the case of articles mentioned in the last foregoing sub-paragraph and articles vested in the Post Office and made on or after the appointed day by virtue of paragraph 13 of this Schedule, the Post Office shall have power to sell to any person such, if any, of them as are not required for a purpose referable to functions of the Post Office.
- (3) The purchaser of any articles sold in the exercise of powers conferred by this paragraph, and any person claiming through him, shall have power to deal with them in the same manner as if the rights in the registered design were held by or on behalf of the Post Office.
- 18 (1) In relation to any use of a registered design or a design in respect of which an application for registration is pending, being a use made on or after the appointed day for purposes referable to functions of the Post Office—
- (a) by the Post Office under any power conferred by or by virtue of the foregoing provisions of this Act;
  - (b) by a person authorised by an authority continued in force by paragraph 12 above or conferred by virtue of that paragraph or paragraph 13 above;
  - (c) by the registered proprietor or applicant for registration for the purpose of satisfying a liability under an agreement in the case of which rights and liabilities thereunder vest in the Post Office by virtue of sections 16 to 18 of this Act;
- the provisions of any licence, assignment or agreement made,—
- (i) before the appointed day, between the registered proprietor or applicant for registration or any person who derives title from him or from whom he derives title and any person other than a government department; or
  - (ii) on or after the appointed day, between the registered proprietor or applicant for registration or any person who derives title from him or from whom he derives title and any person other than the Post Office;
- shall be of no effect so far as those provisions restrict or regulate the use of the design, or any model, document or information relating thereto, or provide for the making of payments in respect of any such use, or calculated by reference thereto; and the reproduction or publication of any model or document in connection with the said use shall not be deemed to be an infringement of any copyright [<sup>F391</sup>or design right] subsisting in the model or document.

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- (2) Where an exclusive licence granted otherwise than for royalties or other benefits determined by reference to the use of the design is in force under the registered design, then—
- (a) in relation to any use of the design which, but for the provisions of this paragraph and paragraph 12 of this Schedule would constitute an infringement of the rights of the licensee, paragraph 15 of this Schedule shall have effect as if, for the reference in sub-paragraph (b) thereof to the registered proprietor, there were substituted a reference to the licensee; and
  - (b) in relation to any use of the design by the licensee by virtue of an authority continued in force by, or conferred by virtue of, paragraph 12 of this Schedule, paragraph 15 thereof shall have effect as if sub-paragraph (b) were omitted.
- (3) Subject to the provisions of the last foregoing sub-paragraph, where the registered design or the right to apply for or obtain registration of the design has been assigned to the registered proprietor in consideration of royalties or other benefits determined by reference to the use of the design, then—
- (a) in relation to any use of the design by virtue of paragraph 12 of this Schedule, paragraph 15 thereof shall have effect as if, in sub-paragraph (b), the reference to the registered proprietor included a reference to the assignor, and any sum payable by virtue of that paragraph or an agreement referred to in paragraph 13 of this Schedule shall—
    - (i) except in a case where an agreement was made before the appointed day between the registered proprietor and the assignor as to the proportions in which any sum payable in relation to the use of the design by or under the authority of the department of the Postmaster General by virtue of paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the <sup>M216</sup>Registered Designs Act 1949 should be divided or a determination as to those proportions was made by the court under paragraph 3 of that Schedule before the appointed day, be divided between them in such proportions as may be agreed between them or as may in default of agreement be determined by the court on a reference under paragraph 19 of this Schedule;
    - (ii) in the said excepted case, be divided in such proportions as may be provided for by the said agreement or determination; and
  - (b) in relation to any use of the design made after the beginning of the appointed day, being use referable to the functions of the Post Office and made by the registered proprietor for the purpose mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(c) above, paragraph 15(b) of this Schedule shall have effect as if that use were made by virtue of an authority continued in force by paragraph 12 of this Schedule.
- (4) Where, under paragraph 15 of this Schedule or such an agreement as is referred to in paragraph 13 thereof, payments are required to be made by the Post Office to a registered proprietor in respect of any use of a design, any person, being the holder of an exclusive licence under the registered design (not being such a licence as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) of this paragraph) authorising him to make that use of the design, shall—
- (a) except where an agreement as to the recovery from the registered proprietor of a part of the payments made under paragraph 1(3) of the said Schedule 1 by the department of the Postmaster General in respect of the use of the design was made before the appointed day under paragraph 2(4) of that

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Schedule or a determination was made before that day under paragraph 3 of that Schedule by the court as to such recovery, be entitled to recover from the registered proprietor such part (if any) of those payments as may be agreed upon between that person and the registered proprietor or as may, in default of agreement be determined by the court on a reference under paragraph 19 of this Schedule, to be just having regard to any expenditure incurred by that person—

- (i) in developing the said design; or
  - (ii) in making payments to the registered proprietor, other than royalties or other payments determined by reference to the use of the design, in consideration of the licence;
- (b) in the said excepted case, be entitled to recover such part, if any, of the payments as may be provided for by the said agreement or determination;

and if, at any time before the amount of any such payment has been settled, that person gives to the Post Office notice in writing of his interest, any agreement as to the amount of that payment shall be of no effect unless it is made with his consent; and for the purposes of this sub-paragraph, a notice given before the appointed day to the department of the Postmaster General in pursuance of paragraph 2(4) of the said Schedule 1 shall have effect as if it had been given to the Post Office.

- (5) Where any models, documents or information relating to a registered design are used in connection with any such use of the design as is described in sub-paragraph (1) above, paragraph 15 of this Schedule shall, whether or not it applies to the use of the design, apply to the use of the models, documents or information as if, for the reference therein to the registered proprietor, there were substituted a reference to the person entitled to the benefit of any provision of a licence, assignment or agreement which is rendered inoperative by the said sub-paragraph (1) in relation to that use.
- (6) Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as authorising the disclosure to the Post Office or any other person of any model, document or information to the use of which this paragraph applies in contravention of any such licence, assignment or agreement as aforesaid.

#### Textual Amendments

**F391** Words inserted by [Copyright, Design and Patents Act 1988 \(c. 48, SIF 67A\)](#), s. 303(1), [Sch. 7 para. 11](#)

#### Marginal Citations

**M216** 1949 c. 88.

- 19 (1) Any dispute as to the exercise by the Post Office or a person authorised by it of powers subsisting by virtue of this Part of this Schedule, or as to terms for use thereunder of a design, or any models, documents or information relating to a design, or as to the right of any person to receive any part of a payment made in pursuance of paragraph 15 of this Schedule or any such agreement as is referred to in paragraph 13 thereof may be referred to the court by either party to the dispute in such manner as is prescribed by the rules for the time being in force for the purposes of paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 1 to the <sup>M217</sup>Registered Designs Act 1949.
- (2) Sub-paragraphs (2) to (5) of paragraph 3 of the said Schedule 1 shall have effect in relation to proceedings under the foregoing sub-paragraph and disputes that may be

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determined thereunder as they do in relation to proceedings and disputes that may be determined under sub-paragraph (1) of the said paragraph 3, but subject to the modifications that—

- (a) in sub-paragraph (2), for references to a government department there shall be substituted references to the Post Office;
  - (b) in sub-paragraph (3), for the references to paragraph 1 of that Schedule and to the opinion of the government department there shall be substituted respectively references to paragraph 15(a) of this Schedule and to the opinion of the Minister stated in a certificate signed by him; and
  - (c) in sub-paragraph (4), for the first reference to a government department there shall be substituted a reference to the Post Office, for the second such reference there shall be substituted a reference to the department of the Postmaster General or the Post Office, and the reference to the services of the Crown shall include a reference to the purposes of the Post Office.
- (3) Any proceedings under the said paragraph 3 which are in progress immediately before the appointed day, being proceedings to which the department of the Postmaster General is a party, may be continued with the substitution of the Post Office for that department; but in relation to such proceedings, sub-paragraph (3) of the said paragraph 3 shall have effect with the substitution, for the reference to the opinion of a government department, of a reference to the opinion of the Minister stated in a certificate signed by him.

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M217 1949 c. 88.

- 20 (1) Where, in pursuance of an agreement made before the appointed day in relation to a design between the department of the Postmaster General and the proprietor of the design or any person from whom he derives title, being an agreement to which the Post Office has become a party by virtue of this Act, communication of the design is made to the Post Office or a person authorised by it to consider the merits of the design, an application for the registration of the design shall not be refused and the registration of the design shall not be invalidated by reason only of that communication or of anything done in consequence thereof.
- (2) An authorisation to consider the merits of a design given under subsection (3) of section 6 of the <sup>M218</sup>Registered Designs Act 1949 by the department of the Postmaster General and in force immediately before the appointed day shall remain in force on and after that day as if given by the Post Office and, in relation to that design, the said subsection (3) shall have effect as if references to a government department included references to the Post Office.

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- 21 Expressions to which meanings are assigned by the Registered Designs Act 1949 for the purposes of that Act have those meanings also for the purposes of this Part of this Schedule.

## SCHEDULE 11

Section 141.

### REPEALS AND REVOCATIONS

#### **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C62** The text of Sch. 11 is in the form in which it was originally enacted: it was not reproduced in Statutes in Force and does not reflect any amendments or repeals which may have been made prior to 1.2.1991.

### PART I

#### ENACTMENTS REPEALED ON THE PASSING OF THIS ACT

Chapter	Short Title	Extent of Repeal
1 & 2 Eliz. 2. c. 36.	The Post Office Act 1953.	Section 66.
2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 62.	The Post Office Savings Bank Act 1954.	Section 19(3).  In section 24(1), the words from “and a draft” onwards.
1966, c. 12.	The Post Office Savings Bank Act 1966.	Section 3(4).

The above repeal of section 24(1) of the Post Office Savings Bank Act 1954 shall not render section 6(1) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946 inoperative as respects an instrument whereof a draft has been laid before Parliament before the passing of this Act.

### PART II

#### ENACTMENTS REPEALED ON THE APPOINTED DAY

##### *Enactment of the Parliament of the Great Britain*

Chapter	Title	Extent of Repeal
39 Geo. 3. c. lxxiii.	An Act for making and maintaining a Tunnel or Road under the River Thames, from or near to the Town of Gravesend, in the County of	In section 43, the words from “or for or in respect of” (where last occurring to “Deputies”.

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Kent, to or near to Tilbury  
Fort, in the County of Essex.

*Enactments of the Parliament of the United Kingdom*

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Title or Short Title</b>	<b>Extent of Repeal</b>
39 Geo. 3. c. lxxiii.	An Act for the Improvement of the Town of Bedford, in the County of Bedford, and for rebuilding the Bridge over the River Ouze, in the said Town.	In section 69, the words from “or any Horses or Carriages” (where secondly occurring) to “conveying the same”.
46 Geo. 3. c. xiv.	An Act for taking down and rebuilding the Bridge across the River Severn at Gloucester, called the Westgate Bridge, and for opening convenient Avenues thereto.	In section 24, the words from “for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “conveying the same; or”.
47 Geo. 3. Sess. 2. c. xxxv.	An Act to enable the Reverend Alban Thomas Jones Gwynne, his Heirs and Assigns, to repair and enlarge or rebuild the Quay or Pier within the Harbour or Port of Aberayron, in the County of Cardigan; and to improve the said Harbour, and to regulate the Moorings of Ships and Vessels therein.	In section 14, the words from “nor any Ship” (where first occurring) to “Postmaster General”.
49 Geo. 3. c. cxliii.	An Act for taking down and rebuilding the Whole or Part of a certain Bridge called Wallingford Bridge, in the Borough of Wallingford, in the County of Berks; and for opening, widening and improving the Avenues or Approaches to the said Bridge.	In section 23, the words from “nor for any Horse” (where secondly occurring) to “conveying the same”.
49 Geo. 3. c. cxliv.	An Act for taking down and rebuilding certain Parts of North Bridge and Tickford Bridge, in the Parishes of Newport Pagnell and Lathbury in the County of Buckingham; and for widening and making more	In section 21, the words from “or any Horses” (where secondly occurring) to “conveying the same”.

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	commodious the said Bridge, and the Approaches thereto.	
53 Geo. 3. c.cxxv.	An Act for further improving the Communication between the County of Edinburgh and the County of Fife, by the Ferries cross the Firth of Forth, between Leith and Newhaven, in the County of Edinburgh, and Kinghorn and Bruntisland in the County of Fife.	In section 41, the words from “for Horses” (where first occurring) to “conveying the same, nor”.
57 Geo. 3. c. lxx.	An Act for improving the Harbour of Blakeney, within the Port of Blakeney and Clay, in the County of Norfolk.	In section 35, the words “Post Office”.
60 Geo. 3 & 1 Geo. 4. c. iii.	An Act to continue and amend several Acts for building a Bridge over the River Lea, at Jeremy’s Ferry, and for repairing Roads from there into the great Roads at Snaresbrooke, in the County of Essex, and at Clapton, in the County of Middlesex.	In section 13, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.
1 Geo. 4. c. v.	An Act for repealing an Act of His late Majesty’s Reign, for making a Harbour in the Cove of Beer, in the County of Devon, and for granting more effectual powers for effecting the Purpose aforesaid.	In section 14, the words “or Post Office”.
1 Geo. 4. c. xl.	An Act for repairing or taking down and rebuilding the Bridge within the Borough and Town of Weymouth and Melcombe Regis, in the County of Dorset.	In section 26, the words from “or for any Horses” (where secondly occurring) to “guarding the same”.
1 Geo. 4. c. li.	An Act for building a Bridge over the River Wensum, in the City of Norwich, at or near the Duke’s Palace in the said City.	In section 55, the words from “for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same; or”.
1 & 2 Geo. 4. c. xcvi.	An Act for more effectually enlarging, deepening, improving, and maintaining	In section 21, the words “of His Majesty’s Postmaster or Postmasters General”.



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	the Harbour of Saltcoats, in the County of Ayr.	
1 & 2 Geo. 4. c. xcix.	An Act for improving and maintaining the Harbour, Pier or Cobb, at the Port and Borough of Lyme Regis, in the County of Dorset.	In section 21, the words “or Post-Office”.
1 & 2 Geo. 4. c. cxv.	An Act to alter and amend an Act of His late Majesty’s Reign, intituled An Act to enable His Majesty to vest the Sands of Traeth Mawr, dividing the Counties of Carnarvon and Merioneth, in William Alexander Madocks Esquire, and for building Quays and other Works, and for the Purpose of facilitating the landing, loading, and unloading of Ships and Vessels frequenting the Harbour of Port Madoc, in the said County of Carnarvon.	In section 20, the words “or Post Office”.
3 Geo. 4. c. cii.	An Act for erecting and maintaining a Chain Pier and other Works connected therewith, at the Town of Brixham, in the County of Sussex.	In section 36, the words “or the Postmaster General for the time being”, the words “or Postmaster respectively” and the words “nor the Master only of the Vessel employed in carrying the Mail to and from Brixham aforesaid”.
4 Geo. 4. c. i.	An Act for building a Bridge over the River Severn, at or near the Haw Passage, in the County of Gloucester, and for making convenient Roads thereto.	In section 62, the words from “for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same, or”.
4 Geo. 4. c. ix.	An Act for building a Bridge and making a Causeway from Langstone in the Parish of Havant in the County of Southampton, to Hayling Island in the Parish of Hayling North in the said County, at or near a certain House there, called the Ferry House; and for forming and making proper Roads,	In section 74, the words from “nor for any Horse” to “guarding the same”.

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	Approaches, or Avenues thereto.	
4 Geo. 4. c. xix.	An Act for the Improvement, more effectual Security, and Maintenance of the Harbour of Bridport, in the County of Dorset.	In section 37, the words “or Post Office”.
4 Geo. 4. c. xxxii.	An Act for altering and enlarging the Powers of Two Acts of the Ninth and Nineteenth Years of His late Majesty King George the Third, for building and completing a Bridge at Worcester over the River Severn, and for opening convenient Avenues thereto.	In section 12, the words from “for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same; or”.
5 Geo. 4. c. xciii.	An Act for maintaining the Harbour of the Burgh of Dingwall, and regulating the Police of the said Burgh.	In section 26, the words “or Post Office”.
5 Geo. 4. c. xciv.	An Act for establishing a Ferry over the River Arun at Littlehampton in the County of Sussex, and making Roads to communicate therewith.	In section 62, the words from “for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same; or”.
5 Geo. 4. c. cxiv.	An Act for building over the River Teign at Teignmouth in the County of Devon; and for making Approaches to the same.	In section 79, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.
6 Geo. 4. c. lix.	An Act for building a Bridge over the River Don, near the village of Balgownie or Polgownie, in the Parish of Old Machar and County of Aberdeen.	In section 25, the words from “nor for any Horses” to “such tolls”.
6 Geo. 4. c. cxxiv.	An Act for erecting an additional Bridge over the River Dee, in the City of Chester; for opening and making convenient Roads and Approaches thereto; and for taking down and rebuilding the Parish Church of Saint Bridget within the said City; and for repairing the present Bridge over the River Dee.	In section 48, the words from “or for any Horses” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.

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7 Geo. 4. c. xliii.	An Act for erecting and maintaining a Harbour, and Works connected therewith, in the Frith of Cromarty, at or near the Village of Invergordon in the County of Ross.	In section 22, the words “or Post Office”.
7 Geo. 4. c. lix.	An Act for building a Bridge over the River Severn, at or near Holt Fleet, in the Parishes of Holt and Ombersley in the County of Worcester; and for making approaches to such Bridge.	In section 86, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.
7 & 8 Geo. 4. c. xix.	An Act for more effectually repairing and improving the Road from Shillingford in the County of Oxford, through Wallingford and Pangborne, to Reading in the County of Berks; and for repairing and maintaining a Bridge over the River Thames at or near Shillingford Ferry.	In section 25, the words from “or for any Horses” to “guarding the same”.
9 Geo. 4. c. xxxix.	An Act for regulating and fixing the Rates to be paid for Goods imported at and exported from the Quay of Bideford in the County of Devon, and for Keyage and Keelage of Ships and Vessels in the Harbour of Bideford, and for more easily levying and collecting the same; and also for regulating Ships and Vessels in the said Harbour.	In section 10, the words “or of the Post Office”.
9 Geo. 4. c. lviii.	An Act for maintaining, enlarging, improving, and regulating the Harbour of the Burgh of Kirkwall in Orkney.	In section 11, the words “or any of His Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
9 Geo. 4. c. lxxxv.	An Act for more effectually repairing the Road from the Town and Port of Sandwich in the County of Kent, to the Towns of Margate and Ramsgate in the Isle of Thanet in the said County; and for reducing for a limited Time the Tolls and Duties payable at Sandwich Bridge.	In section 25, the words “or for any Horses” to “guarding the same”.

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10 Geo. 4. c. xxxiv.	An Act for the Improvement of the Harbour of Aberdeen.	In section 35, the words from “or any Ship” to “Postmaster General”.
10 Geo. 4. c. xliii.	An Act for erecting a Bridge over the River Dee, at the Craiglug, in the Parish of Old Machar in the County of Aberdeen, and of Nigg in the County of Kincardine; and for making a Road from Cairnrobin, by the said Bridge, toward the City of Aberdeen.	In section 31, the words from “or for any Horses” (where secondly occurring) to “such Tolls”.
10 Geo. 4. c. xlix.	An Act for making and maintaining a Pier at or near Southend in the Parish of Prittlewell in the County of Essex, and for making convenient Approaches to and from the same.	In section 93, the words from “nor of any Ship” to “Postmaster General”.
10 Geo. 4. c. 1.	An Act to regulate, repair and maintain the Ferry of Kincardine across the Firth of Forth, and Accesses connected therewith.	In section 29, the words “or wholly in the Service of the Post Office” and the words “or for any Carriage carrying the Mails”.
10 Geo. 4. c. xcvi.	An Act for establishing a Ferry across the River Tyne, between North Shields in the County of Northumberland and South Shields in the County of Durham, and for opening and making proper Roads, Avenues, Ways, and Passages to communicate therewith.	In section 79, the words from “for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same; or”.
10 Geo. 4. c. xcix.	An Act for the Improvement, Maintenance and Regulation of the Harbour of Kirkcaldy in the County of Fife.	In section 33, the words “or Post Office”.
10 Geo. 4. c. c.	An Act for building a Bridge over the River Wansbeck at the Town of Morpeth in the County of Northumberland.	In section 61, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.
11 Geo. 4 & 1 Will. 4. c. xlix.	An Act for the Improvement and Preservation of the River Wear, and Port and Haven of Sunderland, in the County Palatine of Durham.	In section 85, the words “or of His Majesty’s Postmaster General”.

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| 11 Geo. 4 & 1 Will. 4. c. lxi.     | An Act for making a Railway from the Cowley Hill Colliery in the Parish of Prescott to Runcorn Gap in the same parish (with several Branches therefrom), all in the County Palatine of Lancaster; and for constructing a Wet Dock at the Termination of the said Railway at Runcorn Gap aforesaid. | In section 122, the words “or of His Majesty’s Postmaster General”.                               |
| 11 Geo. 4 & 1 Will. 4. c. lxxiii.  | An Act for more effectually repairing and improving the Road from Brighton to Shoreham, for building a Bridge over the River Adur at New Shoreham, and for making a Road to Lancing and a Branch Road therefrom, all in the County of Sussex.  | In section 51, the words from “or for any Beast” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.  |
| 11 Geo. 4 & 1 Will. 4. c. lxxvi.   | An Act for building a Bridge over the River Trent, from Dunham in the County of Nottingham to the opposite Shore in the County of Lincoln.   | In section 81, the words from “for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same; or”. |
| 11 Geo. 4 & 1 Will. 4. c. lxxvii.  | An Act for building a Bridge over the River Wensum, in the Hamlet of Heigham and the Parish of Saint Clement, in the County of the City of Norwich.  | In section 63, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.  |
| 11 Geo. 4 & 1 Will. 4. c. lxxviii. | An Act for erecting and maintaining a Bridge over Stonehouse Mill Pool, at or near Stonehouse Mills in the County of Devon.  | In section 13, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.  |
| 11 Geo. 4 & 1 Will. 4. c. lxxix.   | An Act for building a Bridge over the River Avon, from Clifton in the County of Gloucester to the opposite Side of the River in the County of Somerset, and for making convenient Roads and Approaches to communicate therewith.   | In section 67, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.  |

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2 & 3 Will. 4. c. xliv.	An Act for constructing and maintaining a pier or Harbour at Largs in the County of Ayr.	In section 65, the words “or Post Office”.
3 & 4 Will. 4. c. lxxvii.	An Act to alter and amend the Powers of several Acts passed relating to the Harbour of Rye in the County of Sussex, and for granting further Powers for improving and completing the said Harbour and the Navigation thereof.	In section 75, the words from “or any Ship” to “Postmaster General”.
4 & 5 Will. 4. c. xliii.	An Act for improving the Port and Harbour of Aberavon in the County of Glamorgan.	In section 59, the words from “or of His Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
4 & 5 Will. 4. c. lxxxv.	An Act for establishing a Floating Bridge over the River Itchen from or near a place called Cross House, within the Liberties of the Town of Southampton, to the Opposite Shore in the County of Southampton, with proper Approaches thereto, and for making Roads to communicate therewith.	In section 89, the words from “for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same; or”.
5 & 6 Will. 4. c. xii.	An Act for constructing and maintaining a Harbour at New Quay in the County of Cardigan.	In section 73, the words “or of His Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
5 & 6 Will. 4. c. xiii.	An Act for making and maintaining a Pier and other Works at Deptford in the County of Kent.	In section 89, the words “or of His Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
5 & 6 Will. 4. c. lxxviii.	An Act for erecting and maintaining a Pier or Harbour at Gourock in the County of Renfrew.	In section 71, the words “or Post Office”.
6 & 7 Will. 4. c. 28.	The Government Offices Security Act 1836.	<p>In the preamble, the words “Revenues of the Post Office”.</p> <p>In section 1, the words “of the postmaster general or”.</p> <p>In section 2, the words “for the said postmaster general upon the certificate of the</p>

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		accountant general of the post office and”.
		In section 3, the words “his Majesty’s postmaster general or” and the words “as the case may be”.
		In section 5, the words “by the postmaster general or” and the words “with the said postmaster general or”.
		In section 7, the words “nor the said postmaster general”.
		In section 8, the words “the said postmaster general or of”, the word “respectively” and the words “in the postmaster general and”.
		In section 10, the words “for the said postmaster general and”, the word “respectively” and the words “of the accountant general of the post office or”.
		In the Schedule, in the Form of Certificate, the words “His Majesty’s Postmaster General or”, and the words “as the case may be”.
6 & 7 Will. 4. c. xxxix.	An Act for building a Bridge over the River Aire at Leeds, and for making convenient Roads, Avenues, and Approaches thereto.	In section 82, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.
6 & 7 Will. 4. c. lxvi.	An Act for regulating, preserving and improving the Port or Harbour at Newport in the County of Monmouth.	In section 73, the words “or Post Office”.
6 & 7 Will. 4. c. cxiii.	An Act for making and maintaining a Harbour and other Works at Sidmouth in the County of Devon.	In section 77, the words “or of His Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
6 & 7 Will. 4. c. cxxviii.	An Act for making and maintaining a Pier Wharf and other Works at Greenwich in the County of Kent.	In section 57, the words “or of His Majesty’s Postmaster General”.

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7 Will. 4. & 1 Vict. c. lx.	An Act for building a Bridge over the River Tweed, at or near to Mertoun Mill in the County of Berkwick, and for making Avenues and Approaches thereto.	In section 34, the words from “or for any Horse” to “such Tolls”.
7 Will. 4. & 1 Vict. c. xcix.	An Act for improving the Harbour of the Burgh of Montrose in the County of Forfar.	In section 87, the words from “nor in respect” to “Postmaster General”.
1 & 2 Vict. c. 61.	The Government Offices Security Act 1838.	<p>In the preamble, the words “of the Postmaster General or”, the words “Postmaster General or” (where secondly occurring), the words “His said Majesty’s Postmaster General” and the words “the Postmaster General, or” (where secondly occurring).</p> <p>In section 1, the words “of the said Postmaster General, or” and the words “of such Postmaster general, or”.</p> <p>In section 2, the words “for the said postmaster general, upon the certificate of the accountant general of the Post Office and”, the words “postmaster general or” (in the first place in which they occur), the words “as the case may be”, and the words “postmaster general, or” (in the second place in which they occur).</p>
1 & 2 Vict. c. i.	An Act for making and maintaining a Harbour and other Works at Paington in the County of Devon.	In section 80, the words “or of Her Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
1 & 2 Vict. c. x.	An Act for building a Bridge over the River Thames from Cookham in the County of Berks to the opposite Shore in the County of Berks.	In section 75, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.
1 & 2 Vict. c. xxxi.	An Act for building a Bridge over the River Wye at a Place called Boughrood Ferry in the Counties of Brecon	In section 78, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.



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	and Radnor, and for making convenient Approaches thereto.	
2 & 3 Vict. c. xvi.	An Act for extending, improving, regulating, and managing the Harbour of the Royal Burgh of Aberbrothwick in the County of Forfar.	In section 78, the words “or Post Office”.
2 & 3 Vict. c. lxxv.	An Act for further improving and maintaining the Harbour of the Burgh of the Regality of Fraserburgh in the County of Aberdeen.	In section 56, the words from “or employed” to “Postmaster General”.
2 & 3 Vict. c. lxxii.	An Act for enlarging the Town Quay of the Borough of Portsmouth, and for improving that Portion of the Harbour of Portsmouth called the Camber.	In section 68, the words “in Her Majesty’s Service in carrying the Mails of Letters or Express under the Authority of Her Majesty’s Postmaster General or”.
3 & 4 Vict. c. xxvi.	An Act for making and maintaining a new Bridge over the River Aire at Leeds, at or near the place called Crown Point, with suitable Approaches thereto; and for making certain Drains or Watercourses under the Road leading to such Bridge, and through the adjoining Lands, to communicate with the River Aire below the Leeds Locks.	In section 69, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.
3 & 4 Vict. c. xliv.	An Act for regulating and preserving the Harbour of Workington in the County of Cumberland, and for other purposes relating thereto.	In section 28, the words “or of Her Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
3 & 4 Vict. c. lxxiii.	An Act for improving, enlarging and maintaining the Harbour of Fisherrow in the County of Edinburgh.	In section 31, the words from “or employed” to “Postmaster General”.
3 & 4 Vict. c. cxi.	An Act for erecting and maintaining a Pier and other Works in Mill Bay in the Port of Plymouth in the County of Devon.	In section 22, the words “or of Her Majesty’s Postmaster General”.

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4 & 5 Vict. c. xlix.	An Act for maintaining Gourdon Harbour in the County of Kincardine.	In section 55, the words “or of Her Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
4 & 5 Vict. c. 1.	An Act for making and maintaining a Harbour at Scrabster Roads, in the Bay of Thurso and County of Caithness, and Road thereto.	In section 79, the words from “nor in respect” to “Postmaster General”.
6 & 7 Vict. c. xlii.	The Pile Pier 1843.	In section 194, the words “or of Her Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
6 & 7 Vict. c. lxxi.	An Act for improving and maintaining the Port or Harbour of Neath in the County of Glamorgan.	In section 234, the words “or of Her Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
7 & 8 Vict. c. lxxvii.	An Act for making a Landing Place at or near Hythe in the Parish of Fawley, and extra-parochial Places adjoining thereto in the County of Southampton.	In section 207, the words “or Post Office”.
7 & 8 Vict. c. xciii.	An Act for improving the Harbour and Quay at Wells in the County of Norfolk; and for extending and altering some of the Provisions of the Act relating to the said Harbour and Quay.	In section 127, the words “or of Her Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
8 & 9 Vict. c. xxv.	An Act for improving and maintaining Harbour or Port of Boddam in the County of Aberdeen.	In section 84, the words “or of Her Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
9 & 10 Vict. c. xvi.	An Act for improving and maintaining the Port and Harbour of Helensburgh in the county of Dumbarton.	In section 110, the words “or of Her Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
9 & 10 Vict. c. xciv.	An Act for improving and maintaining the Harbour of Port Ellen in the County of Agyll.	In section 82, the words “or Post Office”.
9 & 10 Vict. c. cviii.	The Portsmouth Harbour Pier Act 1846.	In section 38, the words “and for all Persons in charge of Her Majesty’s Mail Bags”.
9 & 10 Vict. c. cxivi.	The Herculaneum Dock Act 1846.	In section 83, the words “or Post Office”.
9 & 10 Vict. c. cccxlv.	The Portbury Pier and Railway Act 1846.	Section 35.

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9 & 10 Vict. c. ccclxiv.	The Campbeltown Harbour and Burgh Act 1846.	In section 50, the words “Post Office”.
10 & 11 Vict. c. 27.	The Harbours, Docks and Piers Clauses Act 1847.	In section 28, the words from “or any packet” to “whatsoever” and the words “or Post Office”.
10 & 11 Vict. c. vi.	The Pile Pier Act 1847.	In section 12, the words “or Post Office”.
10 & 11 Vict. c. ix.	The Newhaven Harbour and Ouse Lower Navigation Act 1847.	Section 75.
10 & 11 Vict. c. ccix.	The Inverness harbour Act 1847.	In section 59, the words “or Post Office”.
12 & 13 Vict. c. 45.	The Quarter Sessions Act 1849.	In sections 2, 12 and 13, the words “or Post Office”.
14 & 15 Vict. c. xlix.	The Briton Ferry Dock and Railway Act 1851.	In section 46, the words “or belonging to or in the Service of Her Majesty’s Postmaster General”.
16 & 17 Vict. c. cxxvi.	The Llynvi Valley Railway Act 1854.	In section 21, the words from “or any Packet Boat” to “whatsoever” and the words “or Post Office”.
17 & 18 Vict. c. cxxvi.	The Swansea Harbour Act 1854.	In section 144, the words from “or any Beast” to “Employment; or” (where first occurring).
18 & 19 Vict. c. v.	The Hoarwithy Bridge Act 1855.	In section 34, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.
20 & 21 Vict. c. 44.	The Crown Suits (Scotland) Act 1857.	In section 4, the words “the Post Office”.
20 & 21 Vict. c. xlvi.	The Fownhope and Holme Lacy Bridge Act 1857.	In section 48, from “Secondly” to “guarding the same”.
21 & 22 Vict. c. 40.	The New General Post Office, Edinburgh, Act 1858.	The Whole Act.
22 Vict. c. vii.	The Londonderry Bridge Act 1859.	In section 64, the words from “or for any Mail Carriage” to “guarding the same”.
24 & 25 Vict. c. cxii.	The Clifton Suspension Bridge Act 1861.	In section 31, the words from “or for any Horse or Carriage” to “guarding the same; or”.

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26 & 27 Vict. c. 112.	The Telegraph Act 1863.	Section 5(2), so far as relating to service of notices on the company.
26 & 27 Vict. c. lxxiii.	The Rixton and Warburton Bridge Act 1863.	In section 56, the words from “Secondly” to “guarding the same”.
27 & 28 Vict. c. lxxviii.	The Scarborough Valley Bridge Company’s Act 1864.	In section 42, the words from “or for any Horse” (where first occurring) to “guarding the same”.
31 & 32 Vict. c. 72.	The Promissory Oaths Act 1868.	In the Schedule, in Part 1, the words “Postmaster General”.
31 & 32 Vict. c. 110.	The Telegraph Act 1868.	Section 22.
31 & 32 Vict. c. cxxviii.	The Portsmouth Camber Quays Act 1868.	In section 23, the words from “nor of any ship” to “Postmaster General”.
32 & 33 Vict. c. 73.	The Telegraph Act 1869.	The whole Act.
32 & 33 Vict. c. lxxv.	The Cricksea Bridge Act 1869.	In section 32, the words from “or for any Horse or carriage” to “guarding the same”.
33 & 34 Vict. c. lxxv.	The Cawood Bridge Act 1870.	In section 53, the words from “or for any horse or carriage” to “guarding the same”.
34 & 35 Vict. c. 65.	The Juries Act (Ireland) 1871.	In section 22, the word “registration” (where last occurring).
34 & 35 Vict. c. xxxii.	The Clayhithe Bridge Act 1871.	In section 42, the words from “or for any horse or carriage” to “guarding the same”.
36 & 37 Vict. c. xii.	The Shrewsbury (Kingsland) Bridge Act 1873.	In section 31, the words from “or for any horse, beast” to “guarding the same”.
41 & 42 Vict. c. 76.	The Telegraph Act 1878.	In section 12, the words from “A notice required to be given under this Act to the Postmaster General” to “usual place of abode”.
44 & 45 Vict. c. clxxiv.	The Medway Conservancy Act 1881.	In section 122, in the second proviso, paragraph (b).
45 & 46 Vict. c. 56.	The Electric Lighting Act 1882.	In section 32, the definition of “telegram”.
		Section 35.
47 & 48 Vict. c. 76.	The Post Office (Protection) Act 1884.	In section 11, the words “the post office, or”.

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48 & 49 Vict. c. clxxxviii.	The Manchester Ship Canal Act 1885.	Section 210.
51 & 52 Vict. c. 29.	Lloyd’s Signal Stations Act 1888.	In section 6, the words from “to acquire” to “land, or”. Section 7.
54 & 55 Vict. c. 39.	The Stamp Act 1891.	Section 7.
55 & 56 Vict. c. 55.	The Burgh Police (Scotland) Act 1892.	In section 288, the words “post office or other” (in both places where they occur).
55 & 56 Vict. c. cxxxii.	The Bradford Corporation Waterworks Act 1892.	Section 10.
56 & 57 Vict. c. xlvii.	The Ilkley Local Board Act 1893.	In section 16, the proviso.
56 & 57 Vict. c. clxxviii.	The Fleetwood Improvement Act 1893.	Section 44.
57 & 58 Vict. c. lviii.	The Fulwood Local Board (Water) Act 1894.	In section 5, the proviso.
57 & 58 Vict. c. lxi.	The Southend Waterworks Act 1894.	In section 6, the proviso.
57 & 58 Vict. c. lxxviii.	The Kendal Corporation Gas and Water Act 1894.	In section 37, the proviso.
57 & 58 Vict. c. xci.	The Gloucester Corporation Act 1894.	In section 8, the proviso.
58 & 59 Vict. c. xxvii.	The Edinburgh and District Waterworks (Additional Supply) Act 1895.	In section 40, the words “or in contravention of any exclusive privilege by law vested for the time being in the Postmaster General”.
58 & 59 Vict. c. xxxvii.	The Whitby Water Act 1895.	In section 10, the proviso.
58 & 59 Vict. c. clvi.	The Merthyr Tydfil District Council Waterworks Act 1895.	In section 8, the proviso.
59 & 60 Vict. c. lxxii.	The Malvern Link (Extension and Water) Act 1896.	In section 40, the proviso.
59 & 60 Vict. c. cxc.	The Sheffield Corporation Water Act 1896.	In section 15, the proviso.
59 & 60 Vict. c. ccxiv.	The Barry Urban District Council Act 1896.	In section 21, the words from “Provided that” to “1869”.
60 & 61. Vict. c. 53.	The Congested Districts (Scotland) Act 1897.	In section 4(1)(f), the words “and saving bank”.
60 & 61 Vict. c. xxviii.	The Loughborough Corporation Act 1897.	In section 6, the proviso.

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60 & 61 Vict. c. cix	The Carnarvon Corporation Act 1897.	Section 33(1)(b)
60 & 61 Vict. c. cxxiv.	The Crowborough District Water Act 1897.	In section 25, the proviso.
60 & 61 Vict. c. cxxiv.	The Eastbourne Waterworks Act 1897.	In section 4, the proviso.
60 & 61 Vict. c. clxviii.	The Newport Corporation Act 1897.	In section 8, the proviso.
60 & 61 Vict. c. clxxxix.	The Belfast Water Act 1897.	In section 23, the proviso.
60 & 61 Vict. c. cc.	The Nottingham Corporation Water Act 1897.	In section 6, the first proviso.
60 & 61 Vict. c. ccv.	The Pwllheli Corporation Act 1897.	In section 37, the proviso.
61 & 62 Vict. c. 46.	The Revenue Act 1898.	Section 10(3).
61 & 62 Vict. c. lxx.	The Ilkeston Corporation Act 1898.	In section 5, the proviso.
61 & 62 Vict. c. cviii.	The Carmarthen Improvement Act 1898.	In section 20, the proviso.
61 & 62 Vict. c. cxxiii.	The Crawley and District Water Act 1898.	In section 24, the second proviso.
61 & 62 Vict. c. cxviii.	The Folkestone Water Act 1898.	In section 6, the proviso.
61 & 62 Vict. c. civi.	The Bacup Corporation Water Act 1898.	In section 15, the proviso.
61 & 62 Vict. c. ccxxv.	The Carlisle Corporation (Water) Act 1898.	Section 48, from the beginning to “1869”.
61 & 62 Vict. c. ccix.	The Wey Valley, Frimley, and Farnham Water Act 1898.	In section 40, the proviso.
62 & 63 Vict. c. xxi.	The Nuneaton and Chilvers Coton Urban District Council Waterworks Act 1899.	In section 5, the proviso.
62 & 63 Vict. c. xxiv.	The Glastonbury Water Act 1899.	In section 11, the proviso.
62 & 63 Vict. c. lxx.	The Lanarkshire (Middle Ward District) Water Act 1899.	In section 24, the words “or in contravention of any exclusive privilege by law vested for the time being in the Postmaster General”.
62 & 63 Vict. c. clxxi.	The Ayr Burgh Act 1899.	In section 5, the proviso.
62 & 63 Vict. c. clxxi.	The Woking Water and Gas Act 1899.	In section 19, the proviso.

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62 & 63 Vict. c. ccxxv.	The Warrington Corporation Act 1899.	In section 7, the proviso.
62 & 63 Vict. c. cclxix.	The Derwent Valley Water Act 1899.	In section 47, in the proviso, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
63 & 64 Vict. c. xcvi.	The Mountain Ash Water and Gas Act 1900.	In section 7, the proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c. lxxxiv.	The Burgess Hill Water Act 1901.	In section 4, the proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c. lxxxv.	The Kettering Urban District Water Act 1901.	In section 5, the second proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c. xciii.	The Faversham Water Act 1901.	In section 46, the proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c. xcvi.	The Llandrindod Wells Water Act 1901.	In section 21, the proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c. cxxv.	The Swanage Gas and Water Act 1901.	In section 59, the proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c. cxcviii.	The Stockport Corporation Water Act 1901.	In section 14, the proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c. ccvii.	The South Essex Waterworks Act 1901.	In section 6, in the proviso, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
1 Edw. 7. c. ccxviii.	The Barrow-in-Furness Corporation Act 1901.	In section 6, the proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c. ccxlii.	The Cromer Water Act 1901.	In section 64, the proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c. ccl.	The Ilkrston and Heanor Water Act 1901.	In section 30, the proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c. ccivi.	The Leeds Corporation Water Act 1901.	In section 5, the Proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c.	The Derby Corporation Act 1901.	In section 97, the proviso.
1 Edw. 7. c. ccixx.	The Loch Leven Water Power Act 1901.	In section 10, the proviso.
2 Edw. 7. c. v.	The Finedon Urban District Water Act.	In section 7, the proviso.
2 Edw. 7. c. ix.	The Wrexham Waterworks Act 1902.	In section 23, the proviso.
2 Edw. 7. c. xi.	The Darley Dale Water Act 1902.	In section 6, the words from “any telegraphs” to “1869 and”.
2 Edw. 7. c. xxxii.	The Street Urban District Water Act 1902.	In section 9, the proviso.

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2 Edw. 7. c. xviii.	The Abertillery Urban District Council Act 1902.	In section 4, the proviso.
2 Edw. 7. c. cxxv.	The Buxton Urban District Council Water Act 1902.	In section 7, the proviso.
2 Edw. 7. c. cxxx.	The Bristol Waterworks Act 1902.	In section 5, the proviso.
2 Edw. 7. c. clxi.	The Consett Waterworks Act 1902.	In section 60, the proviso.
2 Edw. 7. c. clxii.	The Rhondda Urban District Council (Tramways &c.) Act 1902.	In section 60, the proviso.
2 Edw. 7. c. clxxiv.	The Weardale Water Act 1902.	In section 6, the proviso.
3 Edw. 7. c. xviii.	The Sutton District Waterworks Act 1903.	In section 5, the proviso.
3 Edw. 7. c. xciii.	The Scunthorpe Urban District Water Act 1903.	In section 6, the second proviso.
3 Edw. 7. c. xcvi.	The New Hunstanton Improvement Act 1903.	In section 9, the proviso.
3 Edw. 7. c. cxiv.	The Merthyr Tydfil Urban District Council Act 1903.	In section 6, the proviso.
3 Edw. 7. c. ccvii.	The Bath Corporation Water Act 1903.	Section 22(2).
4 Edw. 7. c. xxiv.	The Gosport Water Act 1904.	In section 5, the proviso.
4 Edw. 7. c. xiv.	The Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Act 1904.	In section 13, the proviso.
4 Edw. 7. c. cl.	The Thurles Urban District Council Water Act 1904.	In section 6, the proviso.
4 Edw. 7. c. cli.	The Ebbw Vale Water Act 1904.	In section 6, in the proviso, the words from “no telegraph” to “and that”.
4 Edw. 7. c. cxcvi.	The Derwent Valley Water Act 1904.	In section 11, the first proviso.
4 Edw. 7. c. ccxxxiv.	The Swindon Corporation Act 1904.	In section 5, the proviso.
4 Edw. 7. c. ccxxxv.	The Manchester Corporation (General Powers) Act 1904.	In section 11, the first proviso.
4 Edw. 7. c. ccxli.	The Loch Leven Water Power (Amendment) Act 1904.	In section 9, the proviso.
5 Edw. 7. c. xiii.	The Truro Water Act 1905.	In section 5, the proviso.
5 Edw. 7. c. xl.	The Accrington District Gas and Water Board Act 1905.	In section 7, the proviso.



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5 Edw. 7. c. lxiii.	The Morley Corporation Act 1905.	Section 14(2).
5 Edw. 7. c. xcvi.	The Hythe Corporation Act 1905.	In section 20, the proviso.
5 Edw. 7. c. ci.	The Mansfield Corporation Act 1905.	In section 6, the proviso.
5 Edw. 7. c. clxii.	The Skegness Water Act 1905.	Section 29.
5 Edw. 7. c. clxxxiv.	The Malvern Water Act 1905.	In section 11, the first proviso.
5 Edw. 7. c. cxcvi.	The Bangor (County Down) Water and Improvement Act 1905.	In section 6, the proviso.
6 Edw. 7. c. xxxvi.	The North East Lincolnshire Water Act 1906.	Section 53.
6 Edw. 7. c. xci.	The Manchester Corporation Act 1906.	In section 13, the proviso.
7 Edw. 7. c. lxxxii.	The Leeds Corporation Act 1907.	Section 20.
7 Edw. 7. c. lxxxiv.	The Great Yarmouth Waterworks and Lowestoft Water and Gas Act 1907.	Section 8.
7 Edw. 7. c. lxxxviii.	The Penrith Urban District Council Act 1907.	In section 6, the proviso.
7 Edw. 7. c. clxxiv.	The Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Act 1907.	In section 5, the words from “Any telegraphic” onwards.  In section 58, the words “or in contravention of any exclusive privilege by law vested for the time being in the Postmaster General”.
8 Edw. 7. c. 62.	The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1908.	In section 11(7), the words “or of any postal” to the end.
8 Edw. 7. c. xxxiii.	The Lincoln Corporation (Water &c) Act 1908.	In section 9, the proviso.
8 Edw. 7. c. lxix.	The Pontypridd Waterworks and Tramroad Act 1908.	In section 4, the proviso.
8 Edw. 7. c. lxxxix.	The Burnley Corporation Act 1908.	In section 5, in the proviso, the words from “and that” onwards.
8 Edw. 7. c. xcix.	The Holderness Water Act 1908.	Section 84(1).

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8 Edw. 7. c. ciii.	The Criccieth Water and Improvement Act 1908.	In section 15, the proviso.
9 Edw. 7. c. xxv.	The Clevedon Water Act 1909.	Section 46.
9 Edw. 7. c. xlix.	The South Staffordshire Waterworks Act 1909.	Section 13.
9 Edw. 7. c. lxxv.	The Pontypridd Waterworks (Amendment) Act 1909.	In section 4, in the proviso, the words from “and shall” onwards.
9 Edw. 7. c. lxxxiii.	The Llanelly Waterworks Act 1909.	In section 6, the words from “Provided always” onwards.
9 Edw. 7. c. lxxxiii.	The Northallerton Waterworks Act 1909.	In section 4, the proviso.
9 Edw. 7. c. xci.	The Stourbridge and District Water Board Act 1909.	Section 39.
9 Edw. 7. c. clxi.	The Cardiff Corporation Act 1909.	In section 5, in the proviso, the words from “and shall” onwards.
9 Edw. 7. c. cxlii.	The Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Act 1909.	In the Gravesend and Milton Water Order 1909 set out in the Schedule, in section 8, in the proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1908 and”.
10 Edw. 7. & 1 Geo. 5. c. xxxix.	The Exmouth Urban District Water Act 1910.	In section 6, the proviso.
10 Edw. 7. & 1 Geo. 5. c. cvii.	The Exmouth Urban District Water Act 1910.	Section 40.
10 Edw. 7. & 1 Geo. 5. c. cxx.	The Pontypridd and Rhondda Water Act 1910.	Section 43.
10 Edw. 7. & 1 Geo. 5. c. cxxii.	The Fylde Water Board Act 1910.	Section 23.
10 Edw. 7. & 1 Geo. 5. c. cxxv.	The Abertillery and District Water Board Act 1910.	Section 32.
10 Edw. 7. & 1 Geo. 5. c. cxxvi.	The Slough Waterworks Act 1910.	In section 10, the proviso.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. 48.	The Finance Act 1911.	Section 20.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. ix.	The Felixstowe and Walton Waterworks Act 1911.	In section 5, the proviso.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. xxxix.	The Hastings Corporation (Water and Finance) Act 1911.	In section 7, the proviso.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. xiv.	The Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Act 1911.	In section 5, the proviso.

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1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. lxxxvi.	The Kingston upon Hull Corporation Act 1911.	In section 23, the words from “shall not” to “1909 and”.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. xcii.	The Gloucester Corporation Act 1911.	In section 20, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water Act 1911.	Section 9.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. cv.	The Ipswich Corporation Act 1911.	Section 20.
1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. cxviii.	The Metropolitan Water Board (New Works) Act 1911.	Section 7, from “Any telegraphic” onwards.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. xvi.	The Egremont Urban District Water Act 1912.	Section 11.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. xxxiv.	The Windermere District Gas and Water Act 1912.	In section 30, the proviso.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. lvi.	The Shipley Urban District Council Act 1912.	In section 59, the proviso.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. lx.	The Hove Corporation Act 1912.	Section 26.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. lxx.	The Swanage Gas and Water Act 1912.	In section 5, the proviso.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Fylde Water Board Act 1912.	Section 34.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. cvii.	The Keighley Corporation Act 1912.	Section 25.
2 & 3 Geo. 5. c. cix.	The Blyth Harbour Act 1912.	In section 73, the words from “or of any mail bag as defined by the Post Office Act 1908”.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. 27.	The Forgery Act 1913.	In section 18(1), in the definition of “revenue paper”, the words “Post Office money orders, or postal orders”.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. xv.	The Northampton Corporation Water Act 1913.	Section 18.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. xvii.	The South Staffordshire Waterworks Act 1913.	In section 4, in the proviso, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. xxxv.	The Chesterfield Corporation Railless Traction Act 1913.	Section 32(1).
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. xliii.	The Leeds Corporation Act 1913.	Section 12.

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3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. xlvi,	The Brighton Corporation Act 1913.	Section 11(3).
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. lxxxv.	The Ebbw Vale Water Act 1913.	In section 4, in the proviso, the words from “that no” to “1869 and”.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Metropolitan Water Board Act 1913.	In section 8, the words from “Any telegraphic or” to “1869 and”.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. xcix.	The Barry Urban District Council Act 1913.	Section 16.
3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. cxxvi.	The Gas and Water Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act 1913.	In the Wey Valley Water Order 1913 set out in the Schedule, in section 6, the words from “Provided that” to “1869”.
4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. cl.	The Northwich Urban District Council Act 1914.	Section 26.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. 24.	The Injuries in War (Compensation) Act 1915.	The whole Act.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. xiv.	The Blyth Harbhour Act 1915.	In section 44, the words “or for any mail bag as defined by the Post Office Act 1908”.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. lxii.	The Ashington Urban District Council Act 1915.	Section 12.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. lxiv.	The Wolverhampton Corporation Water Act 1915.	Section 23.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. lxv.	The Barnoldswick Urban District Council Water Act 1915.	Section 12.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. lxxii.	The Weardale and Consett Water Act 1915.	In section 7, the proviso.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. lxxiii.	The Metropolitan Water Board Act 1915.	In section 7, the proviso.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. lxxiii.	The Metropolitan Water Board Act 1915.	In section 6, the words from “Any telegraphic” to “1869 and”.
6 & 7 Geo. 5. c. xx.	The Wakefield Corporation Act 1916.	Section 24.
6 & 7 Geo. 5. c. xli.	The Tynemouth Corporation Act 1916.	Section 34.
5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. xx.	The Bristol Waterworks Act 1917.	In section 40(1), the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.

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7 & 8 Geo. 5. c. xiv.	The Chepstow Water Act 1917.	Section 42.
8 & 9 Geo. 5. c. 15.	The Finance Act 1918.	Section 43.
8 & 9 Geo. 5. c. x.	The Pontypool Gas and Water Act 1918.	Section 50.
8 & 9 Geo. 5. c. xxi.	The Londonderry Corporation Act 1918.	Section 14.
8 & 9 Geo. 5. c. xxiv.	The Nelson Corporation Water Act 1918.	Section 45.
8 & 9 Geo. 5. c. lx.	The Lancaster Corporation Act 1918.	Section 23.
9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. 75.	The Ferries (Acquisition by Local Authorities) Act 1919.	In section 4, the words “or for any mail bag as defined by the Post Office Act 1908”.
9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. xlix.	The Sheffield Corporation Act 1919.	Section 13.
9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. cxiii.	The Glasgow Water Order Confirmation Act 1919.	In the order contained in the Schedule, section 13.
9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. cxix.	The Manchester Corporation Act 1919.	Section 47.
9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. cxxii.	The Gosport and Alverstoke Urban District Act 1919.	In section 52, the words “or for any mail bag as defined by the Post Office Act 1908”.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. 67.	The Government of Ireland Act 1920.	In section 74, in the definition of “postal service”, the words from “but” onwards.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. 75.	The Official Secrets Act 1920.	In section 5(6), the words “or the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1920”.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. lvii.	The Newport Corporation Act 1920.	In section 44(1), the words from “shall be used” to “1869 or”.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. lviii.	The Liverpool Corporation Waterworks Act 1920.	In section 9, the words “the exclusive privilege conferred upon the Postmaster General by the Telegraph Act 1869 or of”.
10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Norwich Corporation Act 1920.	Section 27.
11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. xxii.	The Cambridge University and Town Waterworks Act 1921.	In section 12, the proviso.

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11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. lxxiv.	The Liverpool Corporation Act 1921.	In section 60, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. lxxix.	The Southampton Corporation Water Act 1921.	In section 26, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. lxxxii.	The Rhymney Valley Water Act 1921.	Section 69(1).
11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. cxiii.	The Batley Corporation Aact 1921.	In section 8, the words from “and shall” onwards.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. 43.	The Post Office (Pneumatic Tubes Acquisition) Act 1922.	The whole Act.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. xix.	The Newhaven and Seaford Water Act 1922.	In section 15, the proviso.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. xxxiii.	The Colne Valley Water Act 1922.	In section 17, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. liv.	The Worthing Corporation Act 1922.	In section 30, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. lxxviii.	The Staffordshire Potteries Waterworks Act 1922.	In section 46, the first proviso.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. lxxxii.	The South Staffordshire Waterworks Act 1922.	In section 11, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. liv.	The Worthing Corporation Act 1922.	In section 30, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. xciii.	The Bolton Corporation Act 1922.	In section 10, the words from “and shall not” onwards.
13 & 14 Geo. 5. c. lxxx.	The Felixstowe Dock and Railway Act 1923.	In section 18, the words “or for any mail bag as defined by the Post Office Act 1908”.
13 & 14 Geo. 5. c. lxxxviii.	The Bournemouth Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Act 1923.	In section 88(1), the words “or for any mail bag as defined by the Post Office Act 1908”.
13 & 14 Geo. 5. c. lxxxix.	The Barnsley Corporation Act 1923.	In section 9, the words from “and shall” onwards.
13 & 14 Geo. 5. c. xci.	The Chelmsford Corporation Water Act 1923.	In section 29, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
13 & 14 Geo. 5. c. xcix.	The Chesterfield Corporation Act 1923.	In section 46, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.

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13 & 14 Geo. 5. c. cvi.	The Macclesfield Corporation Act 1923.	Section 30.
14 & 15 Geo. 5. c. lxxxviii.	The Hastings Corporation Act 1924.	In section 16, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
14 & 15 Geo. 5. c. xciv.	The Tynemouth Corporation Act 1924.	In section 12, the words “Section 34 (For protection of Postmaster General)”.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. 71.	The Public Health Act 1925.	In section 10, the words “any privilege of the Postmaster General under the Telegraph Act 1869 or”.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. civ.	The Leek Urban District Council Water Act 1925.	In section 16(2), the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. cx.	The Mersey Tunnel Act 1925.	In section 72, the words “or for any mail bag as defined by the Post Office Act 1908”.
15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. cxxi.	The Bradford Corporation Act 1925.	In section 14, the words from “and shall” onwards.
16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. 51.	The Electricity (Supply) Act 1926.	Section 24(2).
16 & 17 Geo. 5. c. lxxi.	The Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Act 1926.	In section 62(1), the words “or for any mail bag as defined by the Post Office Act 1908”.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. lxiv.	The Bristol Waterworks Act 1927.	Section 5.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. lxxvii.	The Grimsby Corporation Act 1927.	In section 103, the first proviso.
17 & 18 Geo. 5. c. lxxxiii.	The Chepping Wycombe Corporation Act 1927.	In section 85, the proviso.
18 & 19 Geo. 5. c. xivi.	The Lewes Water Act 1928.	In section 23, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
18 & 19 Geo. 5. c. lxx.	The Windermere District Gas and Water Act 1928.	In section 13, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. 29.	The Government Annuities Act 1929.	Section 51(1).  In section 52, in subsection (2), the words “or by the Postmaster General with the consent of the Commissioners”, and subsection (3).

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		In section 54(4), the words “other than a post office savings bank”.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. xiii.	The Llanely Corporation Act 1929.	In section 82, the proviso.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. xxxvii.	The Blackburn Corporation Act 1929.	In section 71(1), the proviso.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. xiv.	The Llanfrechfa Upper and Llantarnam Water Board Act 1929.	In section 24, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. lxiii.	The Lewes Corporation Act 1929.	In section 23, in the proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. lxxxix.	The Werrington Corporation Water Act 1929.	In section 28, from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. lxxx.	The Galloway Water Power Act 1929.	Section 77(3).
19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Chester Corporation Act 1929.	In section 131, the proviso.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. lvii.	The Chester Waterworks Act 1930.	In section 9, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. lviii.	The Milford Haven Urban District Council Act 1930.	In section 5(2), in the proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. lxvii.	The Portsmouth Water Act 1930.	In section 12, in the second proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. lxix.	The Tees Valley Water Act 1930.	In section 13, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. lxix.	The Leeds Corporation Act 1930.	In section 36(1), the proviso.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. cixxi.	The Falmouth Corporation Water Act 1930.	In section 20, in the proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. clxxvi.	The Rotherham Corporation Act 1930.	In section 64, the first proviso.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. clxxviii.	The Manchester Corporation (General Powers) Act 1930.	In section 51(1), the words from “but nothing” to “1869”.
20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. clxxxii.	The Bournemouth Corporation Act 1930.	In section 146, the proviso.



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20 & 21 Geo. 5. c. clxxxviii.	The Southport Corporation Act 1930.	In section 49, the proviso.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. xvii.	The Gillingham Corporation act 1931.	In section 32, the first proviso.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. xxvii.	The Lowestoft Water and Gas Act 1931.	In section 13, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. xliii.	The Portsmouth Corporation Act 1931.	In section 38, the proviso.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. lvii.	The Doncaster Corporation Act 1931.	In section 84, the first proviso.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. lxxiii.	The Public Works Facilities Scheme (Swindon Corporation) Confirmation Act 1931.	In the scheme set out in the Schedule, in section 9, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. xci.	The Bacup Corporation Act 1931.	In section 19, in the proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Seaton Urban District Council Act 1931.	In section 14, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
21 & 228 Geo. 5. c. xcix.	The Southampton Corporation Act 1931.	In section 26, in the second proviso, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.  In section 101(1), the proviso.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. civ.	The Corby (Northants) and District Water Act 1931.	In section 32, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. cv.	The Felixstowe and District Water Act 1931.	In section 32, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. cvi.	The Scarborough Corporation Act 1931.	In section 16, in the proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. xxxi.	The Rhyl Urban District Council Act 1932.	In section 18, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. xl.	The Public Works Facilities Scheme (Shrewsbury Corporation) Confirmation Act 1932.	In the scheme set out in the Schedule, in section 20, the words from, “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. lxxviii.	The Sidmouth Water Act 1932.	In section 21, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. lxxxvii.	The Chesterfield and Bolsover Water Act 1932.	In section 46, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.

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23 & 24 Geo. 5. c. xxiv.	The Lyme Regis District Water Act 1933.	In section 38, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
23 & 24 Geo. 5. c. xl.	The Sidmouth Urban District Council Act 1933.	In section 24(2), in the proviso, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
23 & 24 Geo. 5. c. xlii.	The Worksop Corporation Act 1933.	In section 25, in the second proviso, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
23 & 24 Geo. 5. c. lxxxiii.	The Middlesbrough Corporation Act 1933.	In section 424, the words “or for any mail bag as defined by the Post Office Act 1908”.
23 & 24 Geo. 5. c. i.	The Public Works Facilities Scheme (Witney Urban District Council) Confirmation Act 1933.	In the Scheme set out in the Schedule, in section 14, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. viii.	The Public Works Facilities Scheme (Boston Corporation) Confirmation Act 1934.	In section 21 of the scheme set out in the Schedule, in the proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. xviii.	The East Worcestershire Water Act 1934.	In section 10, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. xxvi.	The Wokington Corporation Act 1934.	In section 11, in the second proviso, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. xxxvi.	The South West Suburban Water Act 1934.	In section 20, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. xxxvi.	The Chailey Rural District Council Act 1934.	In section 27, in the proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. lxxvi.	The Tynemouth Corporation Act 1934.	In section 208(1), the words “Section 34 (For protection of Postmaster General)”.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. xci.	The North Lindsey Water Act 1934.	In section 109, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. xciv.	The Weston-super-Mare Urban District Council 1934.	In section 15, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.

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24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. xcvi.	The Manchester Corporation Act 1934.	In section 18, the words “and section 47 (For protection of Postmaster-General)”.
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. xl.	The Baildon Urban District Council Act 1935.	In section 17, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. li.	The West Hampshire Water Act 1935.	In section 14, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. lxxxix.	The Maidstone Corporation Act 1935.	In section 26(1), the first proviso.
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. xci.	The Fylde Water Board Act 1935.	In section 8, the words “Section 34 (For protection of Postmaster General)”.
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. xciii.	The Chichester Corporation Act 1935.	In section 29, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. cvii.	The Harrogate Corporation Act 1935.	In section 30, the first proviso.
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. cx.	The London Passenger Transport Act 1935.	Section 67(1).
25 & 26 Geo. 5. c. cxxv.	The Sunderland Corporation Act 1935.	In section 220, the first proviso.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. v.	The Dundee Corporation Order Confirmation Act 1935.	In the Order contained in the Schedule, in section 8, the proviso.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. xxx.	The South East Cornwall Water Board Act 1936.	In section 45, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. xxxviii.	The Winchester Corporation Act 1936.	In section 21, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. lvi.	The Rickmansworth and Uxbridge Valley Water Act 1936.	In section 17(1), the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. lviii.	The Fishguard and Goodwick Urban District Council Act 1936.	In section 45(2), the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. cvii.	The Wrexham and East Denbighshire Water Act 1936.	In section 11, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 or”.
26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. cxiii.	The Hereford Corporation Act 1936.	In section 8, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. liv.	The Newquay and District Water Act 1937.	In section 11, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.

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1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. lxvi.	The Pontypool Gas and Water Act 1936.	In section 31, in the proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. lxix.	The Huddersfield Corporation Act 1937.	In section 33, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. lxxxvii.	The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Tonbridge Water) Act 1937.	In the order set out in the Schedule, in section 10, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. lxxxviii.	The Banbury Waterworks Act 1937.	In section 26, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. xcvi.	The Bucks Water Act 1937.	In section 63, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. cii.	The Aberdeen Corporation (Water Gas Electricity and Transport) Order Confirmation Act 1937.	In the order contained in the Schedule, in section 17, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. civ.	The Paisley Corporation Order Confirmation Act 1937.	In the order contained in the Schedule, in section 30(1), the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. cxx.	The North Cotswold Rural District Council Act 1937.	In section 14, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. cxxiii.	The Staffordshire Potteries Water Board Act 1937.	In section 10, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
1 & 2 Geo. 6. c. xxxiv.	The Irwell Valley Water Board Act 1937.	In section 19, the proviso.  In section 24, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
1 & 2 Geo. 6. c. xxxvii.	The Rickmansworth and Uxbridge Valley Water Act 1938.	In section 19, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
1 & 2 Geo. 6. c. xl.	The Wakefield Corporation Act 1938.	In section 121, the first proviso.
1 & 2 Geo. 6. c. liv.	The Redcar Corporation Act 1938.	In section 175, the words from “Provided that nothing” to “1869”.
1 & 2 Geo. 6. c. lxxxii.	The Newcastle and Gateshead Water Act 1938.	In section 6, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.

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1 & 2 Geo. 6. c. xcvi.	The Warrington Corporation Water Act 1938.	In section 13, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. xiv.	The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Heywood and Middleton Water Board) Act 1939.	In section 40, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. lxii.	The South Staffordshire Waterworks Act 1939.	In section 40, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. lxxv.	The Tiverton Corporation Act 1939.	In section 15, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.  In section 88(1), the first proviso.
2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. lxxvii.	The Stroud District Water Board &c. Act 1939.	In section 70, in the first proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. lxxviii.	The Colne Valley Water Act 1939.	In section 94, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. lxxxii.	The Walsall Corporation Act 1939.	In section 136, the first proviso.
2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. lxxxvii.	The Macclesfield Corporation Act 1939.	In section 19, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. xcii.	The Lanarkshire County Council Order Confirmation Act 1939.	In the order contained in the Schedule, in section 97(1), the words “or in contravention of any exclusive privilege by law vested for the time being in the Postmaster General”.
2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. xcii.	The Folkestone Water Act 1939.	In section 18, in the second proviso, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. ciii.	The Sheffield Corporation Act 1939.	In section 73(3), the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
3 & 4 Geo. 6. c. xxviii.	The Bournemouth Gas and Water Act 1940.	In section 16, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
3 & 4 Geo. 6. c. xxxi.	The Gasport Water Act 1940.	In section 12, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.

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4 & 5 Geo. 6. c. xiii.	The Ebbw Vale Urban District Council Act 1941.	In section 21, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
5 & 6 Geo. 6. c. x.	The Pembrokeshire County Council Act 1942.	In section 12, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
5 & 6 Geo. 6. c. xv.	The Bilston Corporation Act 1942.	In section 12, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
6 & 7 Geo. 6. c. xv.	The Northampton Corporation Act 1943.	In section 125, the words from “shall not” (where first occurring) to “1869 and”.
7 & 8 Geo. 6. c. xx.	The Anglesey County Council (Water &c.) Act 1944.	In section 50, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
8 & 9 Geo. 6. c. 42.	The Water Act 1945.	In Schedule 3, in section 5(3), the words from “be used” to “1869, or”.
8 & 9 Geo. 6. c. 43	The Requisitioned Land and War Works Act 1945.	In section 4, the words “the Postmaster General”.  In section 32, the words “the Postmaster General”.
9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. vi.	The North Devon Water Board Act 1945.	In section 83, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. viii.	The Colne Valley Water Act 1945.	In section 64, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. xii.	The East Grinstead Gas and Water Act 1945.	In section 61, the words from “shall not be used” to “1869 and”.
9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. xiv.	The Plympton St. Mary Rural District Council Act 1945.	In section 30, the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 42.	The Water (Scotland) Act 1946.	In Schedule 4, in paragraph 5(3), the words from “be used” to “1869, or”.
9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. xvii.	The Metropolitan Water Board Act 1946.	Section 83(2).
9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. xxxviii.	The Manchester Corporation act 1946.	Section 6(5), from the beginning to “1869 and”.
9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. liii.	The Tees Conservancy Act 1946.	In section 46(1), the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 41.	The Fire Services Act 1947.	Section 3(2)(c).

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10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 44.	The Crown Proceedings Act 1947.	Section 9.
10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 54.	The Electricity Act 1947.	In Schedule 4, in Part 1 in the entry relating to section 24 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1926, the words “in both places where they occur”.
10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. xxxiii.	The Southend-on-Sea Corporation Act 1947.	In section 219, the words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. xiv.	The Preston Corporation Act 1947.	In section 153, the first proviso.
11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. xli.	The Ipswich Corporation Act 1948.	In section 172(1), the proviso.
12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 39.	The Commonwealth Telegraphs Act 1949.	Section 9.
12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. li.	The Barnsley Corporation Act 1949.	In section 88(1), the proviso.
14 Geo. 6. c. 39.	The Public Utilities Street Works Act 1950.	In section 33(2)(b), the words from “other than” onwards.
14 & 15 Geo. 6. c. 52.	The Telephone Act 1951.	The whole Act.
14 & 15 Geo. 6. c. xxxix.	The British Transport Commission Act 1951.	Section 16.
15 & 16 Geo. 6. & 1 Eliz. 2. c. 47.	The Rating and Valuation (Scotland) Act 1952.	Section 2.
15 & 16 Geo. 6. & 1 Eliz. 2. c. xx.	The Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Order Confirmation Act 1952.	In the order contained in the Schedule, in section 91, the words from “be used” to “1869 or” and in section 213(1), the words “or for any mail bag as defined by the Post Office Act 1908”.
15 & 16 Geo. 6. & 1 Eliz. 2. c. xli.	The Clifton Suspension Bridge Act 1952.	Section 44(1)(e).
15 & 16 Geo. 6. & 1 Eliz. 2. c. xlvi.	The North Wales Hydro-Electric Power Act 1952.	Section 35(2).
1 & 2 Eliz. 2. c. 36.	The Post Office Act 1953.	Sections 1 and 2. Sections 1 and 2. Sections 5 to 7. Section 8(1), (2) and (4). Section 9. Section 10 (except subsection (3)).

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		Section 11(3).
		Section 12 to 15.
		Section 16(3).
		Section 18.
		In section 19(1), the words from “and the sum” onwards.
		Section 20.
		Section 21 (except subsection (3)).
		Section 31.
		Sections 46 to 49.
		In section 76, the words from “and any such” onwards.
		Section 81.
		Section 84.
		In section 87(1), the definitions of “British postal agency”, “mandated territory”, “postage”, “prescribed”, “regulations” and “trust territory” and, in the definition of “mail bag”, the words “a parcel, an envelope and”.
		Schedule 1.
2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 36.	The Law Reform (Limitation of Actions, &c.) Act 1954.	In section 5, subsection (3), and, in subsection (4), the words “and subsection (2) of section nine”.
2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 62.	The Post Office Savings Bank Act 1954.	In section 25, the definitions of “post office savings bank” and “Post Office Savings Banks Fund”.
4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. xi.	The Kent Water Act 1955.	In section 165(1)(d), the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. xxv.	The North Wales Hydro-Electric Power Act 1955.	Section 40(2).
4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. xlix.	The Leicester Corporation Act 1956.	Section 95(2).
4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. lxi.	The Millport Piers (Amendment) Order Confirmation Act 1956.	In the order contained in the Schedule, section 5.



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4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. lxxiii.	The Huddersfield Corporation Act 1955.	Section 25(2).
5 & 6 Eliz. 2. c. 20.	The House of Commons Disqualification Act 1957.	In Schedule 2, the words “Postmaster General” and the words “Assistant Postmaster General”.
5 & 6 Eliz. 2. c. xxix.	The B P Trading Act 1957.	Section 5(8).
5 & 6 Eliz. 2. c. xxxviii.	The Esso Petroleum Company Act 1957.	Section 6(7).
6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. xix.	The Seaham Harbour Dock Act 1958.	Section 27.
6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. xlvi.	The Shell (Stanlow to Partington Pipeline) Act 1958.	Section 4(7).
6 & 7 Eliz. 2. c. 1.	The Wallasey Corporation Act 1958.	Section 115(2).
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. 6.	The National Debt Act 1958.	In section 1(1), the words “by the name of the Post Office register”. Section 13.
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. 6.	The Kent County Council Act 1958.	Section 59(2).
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. 25.	The Highways Act 1959.	In section 152(4), the words “or the Postmaster General”. In section 236(1)(c), the words from “other than” onwards.
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. 50.	The Pensions (Increase) Act 1959.	In the Schedule, in Part 1, paragraph 22.
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. 55.	The Dog Licences Act 1959.	Section 7(3) to (8).
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. viii.	The Angle Ore and Transport Company Act 1959.	Section 5(7).
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. xxxii.	The Bucks Water Board Act 1959.	In section 38(2), the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. xxxiii.	The Reading and Berkshire Water &c. Act 1959.	In section 52(ii), the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. xlv.	The British Transport Commission Act 1959.	Section 13(4)(b).
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. xivi.	The Humber Bridge Act 1959.	Section 68(2)(e).
7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. xlvii.	The Shell- Mex and B.P. (London-Airport Pipeline) Act 1959.	Section 4(7).

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7 & 8 Eliz. 2 c. li.	The Lee Valley Water Act 1959.	In section 83(1)(d), the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
8 amp; 9 Eliz. 2. c. xxxix.	The Tyne Tunnel Act 1960.	Section 41(2)(e).
8 amp; 9 Eliz. 2. c. lii.	The Oldham Corporation Act 1960.	Section 59(2).
9 amp; 10 Eliz. 2. c. i.	The Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Act 1960.	In the order contained in the Schedule, in section 141, the words from “and for” onwards.
9 amp; 10 Eliz. 2. c. 15.	The Post Office Act 1961.	<p>Section 1.</p> <p>Section 2(1) and (2).</p> <p>Sections 3 to 7.</p> <p>Section 8(1) and (3).</p> <p>Sections 9, 10 and 11.</p> <p>Section 13.</p> <p>Section 15(2) and (3).</p> <p>Sections 16 and 17.</p> <p>Section 19.</p> <p>Sections 21 and 22.</p> <p>Section 23(3).</p> <p>Section 25.</p> <p>Section 26(1).</p> <p>Section 27(3) and (4).</p> <p>Section 28(2).</p> <p>Section 29.</p> <p>In the Schedule, the entries relating to section 4 of the Exchequer and Audit Departments Act 1921, the Government Annuities Act 1929, the Bank of England Act 1946, the Crown Proceedings Act 1947, Schedule 1 to the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949, the Telephone Act 1951, and sections 5 to 10 of the Post Office Act 1953 and the words in column 2 against them; in the entry relating to section 11 of the last mentioned Act, the words from “in subsection (3)” to</p>

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		“by regulations and”; and the entries relating to sections 12, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 24, 47, 48, 49, 77, 81 and 87 of the last mentioned Act and sections 16 and 22 of the Post Office Savings Bank Act 1954 and the words in column 2 against them.
9 & 10 Eliz. 2. c. 36.	The Finance Act 1961.	Section 35(2).
9 & 10 Eliz. 2. c. vi.	The Esso Petroleum Company Act 1961.	Section 16(8).
9 & 10 Eliz. 2. c. xlv.	The Devon County Council Act 1961.	Section 29(2).
10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 13.	The Vehicles (Excise) Act 1962.	In section 22(1)(b), the words “other than the Postmaster General”.
10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 14.	The Telegraph Act 1962.	The whole Act.
10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 38.	The Town and County Planning Act 1962.	In section 193(3), the proviso.
10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. 58.	The Pipe-lines Act 1962.	In section 68(2), the words “other than the Postmaster General”.
10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. xxxiii.	The Tay Road Bridge Order Confirmation Act 1962.	In the order contained in the Schedule, section 98(2)(f).
10 & 11 Eliz. 2. c. xlv.	The Regent Refining Company Act 1962.	Section 5(7).
1963, c. 11.	The Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1963.	In section 27(a), the words from “other than” onwards.
1963, c. 31.	The Weights and Measures Act 1963.	In section 64(1)(a), the words “other than expenses incurred by the Postmaster General”.
1964, c. 21.	The Television Act 1964.	In section 2(6), the words “or section 5 of the Telegraph Act 1869” and the word “respectively”. Section 29(2).
1964, c. 98.	The Ministers of the Crown Act 1964.	In Schedule 2, in Part II, the words “Postmaster General” and the words “Assistant Postmaster General”.
1964, c. xliii.	The Glasgow Corporation Consolidation (Water,	In the order contained in the Schedule, in section 45, the

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	Transport and Markets) Order Confirmation Act 1964.	words from “shall not” to “1869 and”.
1965, c. 51.	The National Insurance Act 1965.	In section 52(1), the words from “and regulations” onwards.  In section 85(1), the words “except the Postmaster General”, and paragraph (a).
1965, c. 52.	The National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965.	In section 27(1), the words from “and regulations” onwards.  In section 85(1), the words “except the Postmaster General”.
1965, c. 53.	The Family Allowances Act 1965.	In section 7(1), the words “whether through the Post Office or otherwise”.  In section 13(1), the words “and in conjunction with the Postmaster General so far as relates to the Post Office”.  In section 16, in subsection (1)(b), the words “other than expenses incurred by the Postmaster General”, and subsection (2)(b).
1965, c. 54.	The National Health Service Contributions Act 1965.	In section 3(1), the words “except the Postmaster General”.  In section 4, the words “except the Postmaster General”.
1965, c. 58.	The Ministerial Salaries Consolidation Act 1965.	In section 8(1), in the definition of “Parliamentary Secretary”, the words “and the Assistant Postmaster General”.  In Schedule 1, the entries relating to the Postmaster General and the Assistant Postmaster General.
1965, c. 62.	The Redundancy Payments Act 1965.	In section 29, in subsection (1), the words “except the Postmaster General”, and, in subsection (3), the words “of

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		section 19(2)(b) of the Post Office Act 1961”.
		Section 41(6)(b).
		In section 55, in subsection (1), the words “other than the Postmaster General”, in subsection (2)(a), the words “other than the Postmaster General”, subsection (4), and, in subsection (6), the words “and the Postmaster General”.
1965, c. 78.	The Pensions (Increase) Act 1965.	In schedule 1, in Part 1, paragraph 22.
1965, c. xxiv.	The Gulf Oil Refining Act 1965.	Section 16(7).
1965, c. xxviii.	The Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Act 1965.	Section 15(7).
1965, c. xxxvi.	The Pembrokeshire County Council Act 1965.	Section 46(2)(b).
1965, c. xlv.	The Clyde Port Authority Order Confirmation Act 1965.	In the order set out in the Schedule, in section 80, in subsection (1), in paragraph (a)(iii), the words “the Postmaster General or” and paragraph (c).
1966, c. 12.	The Post Office Savings Bank Act 1966.	Section 1(3)(c).  Section 3(3)(a) and (c). Section 7(4) and (5). Section 8(1) and (3).
1966, c. 18.	The Finance Act 1966.	In section 44, in subsection (4), the words “except the Postmaster General”, and subsection (5).  Section 48.
1966, c. 20.	The Ministry of Social Security Act 1966.	Section 17(2).
		In Schedule 6, paragraph 17.
1966, c. 32.	The Selective Employment Payments Act 1966.	Section 3(1)(b).

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		In Schedule 1, in Part II, the words “The Post Office Savings Bank”.
1966, c. 34.	The Industrial Development Act 1966.	Section 13(2).
		Section 30(2).
1966, c. 42.	The Local Government Act 1966.	Section 35(3) and (4).
1966, c. 51.	The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1966.	In section 43, in subsection (1)(b), the words “and to the Minister of Housing and Local Government” and the words “and to the Secretary of State”, and subsection (2).
		Section 44(2)(b) and (c).
1966, c. xv.	The Exeter Corporation Act 1966.	Section 28(2).
1966, c. xxv.	The Tees and Hartlepoons Port Authority Act 1966.	In section 81(1), in paragraph (a)(iii), the words “the Postmaster General or” and paragraph (c).
1967, c. 1.	The Land Commission Act 1967.	In section 2(3), the words “except the Postmaster General”.
		In section 4(4), the words “except the Postmaster General”.
		Section 84.
1967, c. 13.	The Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967.	In Schedule 2, the words “Post Office” (where first occurring), and Note 3.
1967, c. 15.	The Post Office (Borrowing Powers) Act 1967.	The whole Act.
1967, c. 32.	The Development of Inventions Act 1967.	In section 11(1), the words “other than the Post Office”.
1967, c. 62.	The Post Office (Data Processing Service) Act 1967.	Sections 1 and 3(2).
1967, c. 72.	The Wireless Telegraphy Act 1967.	Section 14(1).
1967, c. 80.	The Criminal Justice Act 1967.	In Schedule 3, the entry relating to section 66 of the Post Office Act 1953.

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1967, c. xxxiii.	The Kingston upon Hull Corporation Act 1967.	In section 77(1), the words “under licence from the Postmaster General”.
1968, c. 13.	The National Loans Act 1968.	In section 16(7), the words “and into the Post Office Fund”, and the words “and the Postmaster General”.  In Schedule 1, the entries relating to the Post Office Act 1961.  In Schedule 5, the entry relating to section 35(2) of the Finance Act 1961.
1968, c. 18.	The Consular Relations Act 1968.	Section 9.
1968, c. 34.	The Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1968.	In section 53(a), the words “(except the Postmaster General)”.
1968, c. 47.	The Sewerage (Scotland) Act 1968.	In section 55(3), the words “or the Postmaster General”.
1968, c. 59.	The Hovercraft Act 1968.	In section 6(1), the words “(except the Postmaster General)”.
1968, c. 61.	The Civil Aviation act 1968.	Section 27(3).
1968, c. 72.	The Town and Country Planning Act 1968.	In section 29, subsection (2), and, in subsection (4), the words “or the Postmaster General”.
1968, c. xxiv.	The Crosby Corporation Act 1968.	Section 14(7).
1968, c. xxxi.	The Mid-Glamorgan Water Act 1968.	In section 18(1), the words from “be used” to “1869 or”.
1968, c. xxxii.	The Port of London Act 1968.	In section 28, in paragraph (a)(iii), the words “the Postmaster General or”, and paragraph (c).
1968, c. xxxiii.	The Medway Water (Bewl Bridge Reservoir) Act 1968.	In section 41(4), the words from “be used” to “1869 and”.
1969, c. 30.	The Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1969.	In section 30, subsection (2), and, in subsection (4), the words “or the Postmaster General”.

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### *Enactments of the Parliament of Northern Ireland*

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Short Title</b>	<b>Extent of Repeal</b>
18 & 19 Geo. 5. c. 10.	The Roads Improvement Act (Northern Ireland) 1928.	In section 18, the words from “and in particular” onwards.
1946, c. 7.	The Shops Act (Northern Ireland) 1946.	Section 33(1)(b).
1948, c. 28.	The Roads Act (Northern Ireland) 1948.	In section 41(3), the words from “Except” to “section”.
1956, c. 19.	The Criminal Injuries Act (Northern Ireland) 1956.	In section 10, in the definition of “property”, the words “includes the property of the Postmaster General but”, and the word “other” (in both places where it occurs).
1956, c. v.	The River Bann Navigation Act (Northern Ireland) 1956.	Section 13.
1966, c. 32.	The Selective Employment Payments Act (Northern Ireland) 1966.	Section 4(1)(b).
1966, c. 41.	The Industrial Investment (General Assistance) Act (Northern Ireland) 1966.	Section 14(4).

### PART III

#### ORDERS IN COUNCIL REVOKED ON THE APPOINTED DAY

<b>Number</b>	<b>Title or Short Title</b>	<b>Extent of Revocation</b>
S.R. & O. 1908/844.	Order in Council fixing date of transfer of certain local taxation licence duties to county councils and county boroughs under section 6 of the Finance Act 1908 (8 Edw. 7. c. 16), and making provisions thereof.	Articles IV and V.
S.R. & O. 1908/844.	The Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Order 1921.	In Article 2(f), the words from “Provided that” onwards.
S.R. & O. 1922/213.	The Local Taxation (Licence Officers) Order 1922.	The whole Order.



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