Development of Tourism Act 1969

1969 CHAPTER 51

PART III

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

17 Registration of tourist accommodation.

(1) Her Majesty may by Order in Council make provision for the registration by the Tourist Boards**[**[F1]and the National Assembly for Wales**]** of, or of any class of, hotels and other establishments in Great Britain at which sleeping accommodation is provided by way of trade or business.

(2) An Order under this section may in particular make provision—

(a) as to the form and contents of the register or registers to be maintained under the Order and as to the establishments to be registered therein;

(b) for requiring the person carrying on an establishment which is required to be registered to furnish, at such time or times as may be specified in the Order, to the body responsible for registering it such information as may be so specified;

(c) for the charging of annual or other periodical fees for registration;

(d) for the issue and display of certificates of registration and the display of signs indicating that an establishment is registered;

(e) for the inspection of establishments and for powers of entry for that purpose;

(f) for exemptions from any of the requirements of the Order;

(g) for securing compliance with any requirement of the Order by the imposition of a penalty not exceeding a fine of £200.

(3) If provision is made by an Order under this section for the classification or grading of the establishments entered in a register, the Order shall also make provision—

(a) for requiring the criteria in accordance with which the classification or grading is carried out, so far as not prescribed by the Order, to be determined from time to time by the British Tourist Authority after consultation with the English Tourist Board, **[**[F2]VisitScotland**]**, the **[**[F3]Wales Tourist Board**[**[F3]National

Assembly for Wales**]]** and such other organisations as appear to the Authority to be representative of trade and consumer interests likely to be affected;

(b) for the publication of any criteria so determined;

(c) for enabling the person carrying on an establishment registered with any Tourist Board**[**[F4]or the National Assembly for Wales**]** to make representations to the Board**[**[F4]or (as the case may be) the Assembly**]** before any classification or grade is accorded to the establishment and before its classification or grade is altered or cancelled.

(4) An Order under this section may contain such supplementary and incidental provisions as appear to Her Majesty to be necessary or expedient, and may authorise the **[**[F5]Secretary of State for Trade**]**, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the **[**[F6]Secretary of State for Wales**[**[F6]National Assembly for Wales**]]** to make regulations as respects England, Scotland and Wales respectively for such purposes of the Order as may be specified therein; and the [M1]Statutory Instruments Act 1946 shall apply in relation to any such regulations as if they were made under powers conferred by an Act of Parliament.

(5) An Order under this section and any regulations made thereunder may make different provision for different cases and, in particular, provision may be made for an Order to come into force at different times in relation to, or to different parts of, England, Scotland and Wales respectively.

(6) Any Order under this section shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament and may be revoked or varied by a subsequent Order under this section.

(7) A Tourist Board maintaining a register by virtue of an Order under this section shall have power to publish, or make available for publication, any information furnished to it by virtue of the Order and any information as to any classification or grade accorded under the Order to any establishment; and such information may be published or made available for publication either gratuitously or for consideration.

[[F7](7A) Subsection (7) applies in relation to the National Assembly for Wales if it is maintaining such a register as it applies in relation to a Tourist Board.**]**

Textual Amendments

F1 Words in s. 17(1) inserted (E.W.) (23.11.2005) by Wales Tourist Board (Transfer of Functions to the National Assembly for Wales and Abolition) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/3225), art. 1(1), **Sch. 1 para. 6(1)** (with art. 3(1))

F2 Words in Act substituted (E.W.) (29.3.2007) by Tourist Boards (Scotland) Act 2006 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1103), art. 1(1), **Sch. para. 1(2)** and words substituted (S.) (1.4.2007) by Tourist Boards (Scotland) Act 2006 (asp 15), **ss. 1(2)**, 5(1); S.S.I. 2007/47, art. 2

F3 Words in s. 17(3)(a) substituted (E.W.) (23.11.2005) by Wales Tourist Board (Transfer of Functions to the National Assembly for Wales and Abolition) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/3225), art. 1(1), **Sch. 1 para. 6(2)** (with art. 3(1))

F4 Words in s. 17(3)(c) inserted (E.W.) (23.11.2005) by Wales Tourist Board (Transfer of Functions to the National Assembly for Wales and Abolition) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/3225), art. 1(1), **Sch. 1 para. 6(2)** (with art. 3(1))

F5 Words substituted by virtue of S.I. 1970/1537, arts. 2(1), 7(4), **Sch. 2 para. 12** and 1974/692 arts. 2(1), 5(3), Sch. 1 Pt. III

F6 Words in s. 17(4) substituted (E.W.) (23.11.2005) by Wales Tourist Board (Transfer of Functions to the National Assembly for Wales and Abolition) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/3225), art. 1(1), **Sch. 1 para. 6(3)** (with art. 3(1))

F7 S. 17(7A) added (E.W.) (23.11.2005) by Wales Tourist Board (Transfer of Functions to the National Assembly for Wales and Abolition) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/3225), art. 1(1), **Sch. 1 para. 6(4)** (with art. 3(1))

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 S. 17(2)(*g*): so far as conferring power to make a person, as regards any summary offence, liable on conviction to a maximum fine, s. 40 of Criminal Justice Act 1982 (c. 48, SIF 39:1) applies

C2 S. 17(4): modified (1.7.1999) by S.I. 1999/672, art. 2, **Sch. 1**

Marginal Citations

M1 1946 c. 36.

18 Notification of prices of accommodation.

(1) Her Majesty may, by an Order in Council applying to, or to any class of, hotels and other establishments in Great Britain at which sleeping accommodation is provided by way of trade or business, make provision for requiring the display at the establishments of information with respect to the prices charged there for such accommodation as aforesaid or otherwise for securing that such information is brought to the notice of persons seeking to avail themselves of the accommodation.

(2) Subsection (2)(*e*), (*f*) and (*g*) and subsections (4), (5) and (6) of section 17 of this Act shall apply to an Order under this section as they apply to an Order under that section.

19 Directions.

(1) The relevant Minister may, after consultation with a Tourist Board, give to it directions of a general character as to the exercise of its functions.

(2) Subject to the provisions of any scheme under section 3 [F8]. . . of this Act, the relevant Minister may, with the approval of the Treasury, give to a Tourist Board directions as to—

(a) the matters with respect to which that Board must be satisfied before making a loan under the scheme [F8]. . .;

(b) the terms on which and the conditions subject to which any such loan is to be made;

(c) the conditions to be imposed in making any grant under the scheme [F8]. . .;

and such directions may distinguish between different classes of case.

(3) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (*a*) of subsection (2) of this section, directions given by virtue of that paragraph may require a Tourist Board to be satisfied that the applicant cannot obtain a loan for the purpose in question from any other source, whether on terms which are more or less favourable than those of any loan which might be made by the Board.

(4) A Tourist Board shall give effect to any directions given to it under this section.

Textual Amendments

F8 Words in s. 19(2) repealed (19.11.1998) by 1998 c. 43, s. 1(1), **Sch. 1 Pt. IV** Group 3

20 Financial provisions.

(1) The relevant Minister may pay to a Tourist Board such sums in respect of its expenditure as he may with the consent of the Treasury determine.

(2) Any sums required by a relevant Minister for making payments under subsection (1) of this section and any other expenses of a relevant Minister under this Act shall be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament.

(3) Any sums received by a Tourist Board—

(a) in repayment of, or as interest on, any loan made by it under this Act;

(b) in repayment of any grant made by it under this Act; or

(c) as dividend on, or otherwise in respect of, any shares or stock acquired by it under this Act,

shall be paid to the relevant Minister.

(4) Any sums received by a relevant Minister under subsection (3) of this section shall be paid into the Consolidated Fund.

21 Short title, interpretation, commencement and extent.

(1) This Act may be cited as the Development of Tourism Act 1969.

(2) In this Act "Wales" includes Monmouthshire and references to England shall be construed accordingly.

(3) This Act shall come into force at the expiration of the period of one month beginning with the day on which it is passed.

(4) This Act, . . . [F9] does not extend to Northern Ireland.

Textual Amendments

F9 Words repealed by House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 24), **Sch. 3**

Changes to legislation:
There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Development of Tourism Act 1969, Part III.