



Pilotage Act 1987

1987 CHAPTER 21

PART IV

SUPPLEMENTARY

31 Interpretation.

(1) In this Act except where the context otherwise requires—

“the appointed day” means the date appointed for the coming into force of Part I of this Act;

“authorised pilot”, in relation to any area, means a person authorised under section 3 above for that area and, in relation to any ship, a person so authorised in respect of ships of that description;

“competent harbour authority” has the meaning given in section 1 above;

[^{F1} “deck officer”, in relation to a ship, includes the master and first mate;]

“former pilotage district” has the meaning given in section 1(2) above;

“harbour”, in relation to a competent harbour authority, has the meaning given in section 1 above;

“harbour authority” has the same meaning as in the ^{M1}Harbours Act 1964 (“the 1964 Act”) or, in Northern Ireland, the Harbours Act (Northern Ireland) 1970 (“the 1970 Act”);

“harbour operations” has the same meaning as in the 1964 Act or, in Northern Ireland, the 1970 Act;

“master” has the same meaning as in the [^{F2}Merchant Shipping Act 1995];

“pilot” [^{F3} means any person not belonging to a ship who has the conduct thereof] and “pilotage” shall be construed accordingly;

“pilot boat” has the meaning given in section 6 above;

“pilotage direction” has the meaning given in section 7(1) above;

“pilotage exemption certificate” means a certificate granted under section 8 above;

“ship” has the same meaning as in the 1964 Act or, in Northern Ireland, the 1970 Act and includes both British and foreign ships;

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“statutory powers” and “statutory duties” have the same meanings as in the 1964 Act or, in Northern Ireland, mean powers or, as the case may be, duties which are statutory functions within the meaning of the 1970 Act.

- (2) In this Act references to a ship navigating or being navigated include references to its moving or being moved within a harbour for the purpose of changing from one mooring to another or of being taken into or out of any dock.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 31(1) inserted (1.10.2013) by [Marine Navigation Act 2013 \(c. 23\)](#), **ss. 2(4)**, 13; [S.S.I. 2013/254](#), art. 2; [S.I. 2013/1489](#), art. 3
- F2** Words in definition of “master” in s. 31(1) substituted (1.1.1996) by [1995 c. 21](#), ss. 314(2), 316(2), **Sch. 13 para. 80(b)(i)** (with s. 312(1))
- F3** Words in definition of “pilot” in s. 31(1) substituted (1.1.1996) by [1995 c. 21](#), ss. 314(2), 316(2), **Sch. 13 para. 80(b)(ii)** (with s. 312(1))
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Marginal Citations

- M1** 1964 c. 40.

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