

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 8

CARRIERS' LIABILITY

3 After section 32 insert—

“32A Level of penalty: code of practice

- (1) The Secretary of State shall issue a code of practice specifying matters to be considered in determining the amount of a penalty under section 32.
- (2) The Secretary of State shall have regard to the code (in addition to any other matters he thinks relevant)—
 - (a) when imposing a penalty under section 32, and
 - (b) when considering a notice of objection under section 35(4).
- (3) Before issuing the code the Secretary of State shall lay a draft before Parliament.
- (4) After laying the draft code before Parliament the Secretary of State may bring the code into operation by order.
- (5) The Secretary of State may from time to time revise the whole or any part of the code and issue the code as revised.
- (6) Subsections (3) and (4) also apply to a revision or proposed revision of the code.”