



# Post Office Act 1908

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## *POST OFFICE OFFENCES*

### **57 Carelessness, negligence, or misconduct of persons employed in carrying or delivering mail bags, postal packets, &c**

If any person employed to convey or deliver a mail bag, or a postal packet in course of transmission by post—

- (a) whilst so employed, or, whilst the mail bag or postal packet is in his custody or possession, leaves it, or suffers any person, not being the guard or person employed for that purpose, to ride in the place appointed for the guard in or upon any carriage used for the conveyance of it, or to ride in or upon a carriage so used and not licensed to carry passengers, or upon a horse used for the conveyance on horse-back of it; or
- (b) is guilty of any act of drunkenness whilst so employed ; or
- (c) is guilty of carelessness, negligence, or other misconduct, whereby the safety of the mail bag or postal packet is endangered; or
- (d) without authority collects or receives or conveys or delivers a postal packet otherwise than in the ordinary course of post; or
- (e) gives any false information of an assault or attempt at robbery upon him ; or
- (f) loiters on the road or passage, or wilfully misspends his time so as to retard the progress or delay the arrival of a mail bag or postal packet in the course of transmission by post, or does not use due care and diligence safely to convey a mail bag or postal packet at the due rate of speed,

he shall, on summary conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds.