



Explosives Act 1923

1923 CHAPTER 17 13 and 14 Geo 5

An Act to amend the Explosives Act 1875,

[18th July 1923]

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 Act extended by [S.I. 1988/1222](#), [regs. 3](#) and 4

1 Precautions to be taken by occupiers.

- (1) Where the Secretary of State is satisfied that owing to the existence of any special circumstances special precautions require to be taken under section twenty-three of the ^{M1}Explosives Act 1875 (in this Act referred to as the principal Act), for the prevention of accidents by fire or explosion in any such factory, magazine, store, or registered premises as is referred to in that section, or for preventing unauthorised persons having access thereto he may by order prescribe the special precautions to be taken, and any contravention of or failure to comply with the terms of such order shall be deemed to be a breach of that section.
- (2) Without prejudice to any penalty imposed by the said Act, it shall be lawful for the Secretary of State, where he is satisfied that the provisions of any such order are not complied with, to cause steps to be taken to secure compliance therewith, and to recover from the occupier as a debt due to the Crown the expense of taking any such steps.

Marginal Citations

M1 [1875 c. 17](#).

2 Restriction on Employment of young persons in gunpowder factories, magazines and stores.

- (1) Section ten of the principal Act (which contains general rules to be observed in every gunpowder factory and magazine) shall have effect with the substitution of the following general rule for rule (II) thereof—

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“(11) A person under the age of eighteen years shall not be employed in or enter any danger building except in the presence and under the supervision of some person of the age of twenty-one upwards, and a person under the age of sixteen years, shall not be employed in any such building except in some process which has been declared by an order made by the Secretary of State to be process which is not itself dangerous and except in the presence and under the supervision of some person of the age of twenty-one years upwards.”

(2) Section seventeen of the principal Act (which contains general rules to observed in every gunpowder store) shall have effect with the substitution of the following general rule for rule (10) thereof—

“(10) A person under the age of eighteen years shall not be employed in or enter the store except in the presence and under the supervision of some person of the age of twenty-one years or upwards.”

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C2 The text of s. 2(1)(2) 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.

3 **F1**

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 3 repealed by S.I. 1974/1885, art. 4

4 **F2**

Textual Amendments

F2 S. 4 repealed by S.I. 1987/37, reg. 47(1)(b)

5 Short title and extent.

(1) This Act may be cited as the Explosives Act 1923, and the principal Act and this Act may be cited together as the ^{M2}Explosives Acts 1875 and 1923.

(2) This Act shall not apply to Northern Ireland.

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M2 1875 c. 17.

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