



Merchant Shipping Act 1894

1894 CHAPTER 60 57 and 58 Vict

PART II

MASTERS AND SEAMEN

Rating of Seamen

^{X1}126 Rating of seamen.

- (1) A seaman shall not be entitled to the rating of A.B., that is to say, of an able-bodied seaman, unless he has served at sea for [^{F1}three years before the mast,] but the employment of fishermen in decked fishing vessels registered under the first part of this Act shall only count as sea service up to the period of [^{F1}two years of that employment]; and the rating of A.B. shall only be granted after at least one year's sea service in a trading vessel in addition to [^{F1}two or more years sea service] on board of decked fishing vessels so registered.
- (2) The service may be proved by certificates of discharge, by a certificate of service from the Registrar-General of Shipping and Seamen (granted by the Registrar on payment of a fee . . . ^{F2}), specifying in each case whether the service was rendered in whole or in part in steam ship or in sailing ship, or by other satisfactory proof.

Editorial Information

- X1** [S. 126](#) repealed, in relation to seamen engaged in a British ship registered in the United Kingdom, by [Merchant Shipping Act 1948 \(c. 44\), s. 5\(6\)](#)

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words substituted by [Merchant Shipping Act 1906 \(c. 48\), s. 58\(1\)](#)
F2 Words repealed by [Merchant Shipping \(Safety Convention\) Act 1949 \(c. 43\), Sch. 3](#)

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Textual Amendments

F3 Ss. 105–109, 113–125, 127–144 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1970 (c. 36), s. 100, Sch. 5

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Textual Amendments

F4 Ss. 145, 146 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1970 (c. 36), s. 100, Sch. 4 para. 2, Sch. 5

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Textual Amendments

F5 S. 147 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1970 (c. 36), s. 100, Sch. 5

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Textual Amendments

F6 Ss. 148–153 repealed by Merchant Shipping Act 1970 (c. 36), s. 100, Sch. 4 para. 3, Sch. 5

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