

1978 No. 1695

**PORT HEALTH AUTHORITIES, ENGLAND AND WALES**  
**The Ramsgate Port Health Authority Order 1978**

*Made* - - - - - 22nd November 1978

*Coming into Operation* 30th December 1978

The Secretary of State for Social Services, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 2 and 3 of the Public Health Act 1936(a), as extended by section 108 of and paragraph 6 of Schedule 3 to the Control of Pollution Act 1974(b), and now vested in him(c), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, having given the notices required by the aforesaid section 2 of his proposals to make this order and not having received any notice of objection thereto, hereby makes the following order:—

*Citation, commencement and interpretation*

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Ramsgate Port Health Authority Order 1978 and shall come into operation on 30th December 1978.

(2) In this order, unless the context otherwise requires—

“the Act” means the Public Health Act 1936;

“the Council” means the District Council of Thanet;

“the Port of Ramsgate” means the Port of that name as established for the purposes of the enactments relating to customs and excise;

and all other expressions have the same meanings as in the Act.

(3) The riparian authorities specified for the purposes of this order are the Council and Canterbury City Council.

(4) In this order, unless the context otherwise requires, any reference to an article or a schedule shall be construed as a reference to an article contained in this order, or to a schedule thereto.

(5) Any reference in this order to any provision made by or contained in any enactment or instrument shall, except so far as the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to that provision, as amended or extended by any enactment or instrument and as including a reference to any provision which it re-enacts or replaces, or which may re-enact or replace it, with or without modification.

(6) The rules for the construction of Acts of Parliament contained in the Interpretation Act 1889(d) shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of this order as they apply for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

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(a) 1936 c. 49.

(b) 1974 c. 40.

(c) See The Secretary of State for Social Services Order 1968 (S.I. 1968/1699) Art. 2.

(d) 1889 c. 63.

### *The Port Health Authority*

2. For the purposes of the Act, the Port of Ramsgate shall be a port health district and the Council shall be the port health authority for that district.

### *Jurisdiction*

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Council shall have jurisdiction as port health authority over all waters within the Port of Ramsgate and also over such part of the district of the specified riparian authorities as comprises the whole of any wharf and of the area within the gates of any dock and of the buildings thereon respectively.

(2) The Council shall not have jurisdiction as port health authority by virtue of paragraph (1) over any part of the district of Canterbury City Council as falls within the jurisdiction of any other port health authority.

### *Functions assigned to Port Health Authority*

4.—(1) There are hereby assigned to the Council as port health authority the functions, rights and liabilities of a local authority under the enactments specified in the Schedule, so far as they are applicable to a port health authority and to any lands, waters, premises, vessels or persons within their jurisdiction.

(2) For the purposes of the functions, rights and liabilities assigned to the Council by virtue of this order, the enactments mentioned in the Schedule shall have effect as if

(a) any vessel lying within their jurisdiction were a house, building or premises, and

(b) the master or other officer or person in charge of the vessel were the occupier.

(3) This article shall not apply to any vessel belonging to Her Majesty or to any vessel engaged in the naval service of Her Majesty whether belonging to Her Majesty or not or to any vessel belonging to the armed forces of any country to which the provisions of the Visiting Forces Act 1952(a) apply by virtue of section 1 of that Act.

Signed by the authority of the Secretary of State for Social Services.

22nd November 1978.

*F. B. Hindmarsh,*  
Under Secretary,  
Department of Health and Social Security.

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(a) 1952 c. 67.

SCHEDULE

Article 4

*Public Health Act 1936 (c. 49)*

Section 48	Power to examine and test drains.
Sections 51 and 52	Care of closets and sanitary conveniences.
Section 82	Byelaws as to removal through street of offensive matter or liquid.
Sections 83—86	Filthy or verminous premises or articles, and verminous persons.
Part III	Nuisances and Offensive Trades.
Sections 140 and 141	Provisions for the protection of the public from polluted water.
Part V	Prevention, Notification and Treatment of Disease.
Part XII	General.

*Food and Drugs Act 1955 (c. 16) (4 & 5 Eliz. 2)*

Part I	General Provisions as to Food and Drugs.
Part V	Administration, Enforcement and Legal Proceedings.
Part VI	Miscellaneous and General.

*Clean Air Act 1956 (c. 52)*

*Public Health Act 1961 (c. 64)*

Section 26	Defective premises.
Section 36	Power to require vacation of premises during fumigation.
Section 38	Power of justices to order a medical examination.
Section 39	Information to be furnished by occupier in case of notifiable disease or food poisoning.
Section 41	Compensation for stopping employment to prevent spread of disease.

*Clean Air Act 1968 (c. 62)*

*The Public Health (Recurring Nuisances) Act 1969 (c. 25)*

*Control of Pollution Act 1974 (c. 40)*

Part III (except sections 70 (2), (3) and (5), and 71)	Noise.
Section 76	Regulations about sulphur content of oil fuel for furnaces or engines.
Section 77 (insofar as it is supplementary to Section 76)	Provisions supplementary to section 76.
Sections 79—83	Information about atmospheric pollution.
Section 84	Interpretation of Part IV.
Section 86	Protection of members and officers of authorities from personal liability.
Sections 91 and 92	Rights of entry and inspection, etc.
Section 93	Power of authorities to obtain information.
Section 94	Prohibition on disclosure of information.
Section 97	Default powers.
Section 98	Interpretation.
Part VI	Miscellaneous and General.

*Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 (c. 57)*

Section 16	Power of local authorities to obtain particulars of persons interested in land.
Section 32	Power of local authorities to execute works outside their area.
Section 41	Evidence of resolution.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This order constitutes the Port of Ramsgate as a port health district and constitutes the District Council of Thanet as port health authority for that district. Articles 3 and 4 relate to the jurisdiction and powers of the Council as port health authority. The order confers upon the port health authority functions under general Acts relating to public health and food and drugs.