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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1987 No. 244**

**MERCHANT SHIPPING**

**The Merchant Shipping (Light Dues)  
(Amendment) Regulations 1987**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>23rd February 1987</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>27th February 1987</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st April 1987</i>

The Secretary of State for Transport, in exercise of powers conferred on him by section 5(2) of the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act 1898<sup>(1)</sup> and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) (Amendment) Regulations 1987 and shall come into force on 1st April 1987.
2. The Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) (Amendment) Regulations 1986<sup>(2)</sup> are hereby revoked.
3. The Schedule to the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Regulations 1981<sup>(3)</sup> shall be amended as follows:—
  - (a) For the scale of payments relating to the levying of light dues set out in Part I thereof there shall be substituted the following scale:—

“SCALE OF PAYMENTS

1. Home-trade sailing ships: 86.5p per 10 tons per voyage.
2. Foreign-going sailing ships: £1.73 per 10 tons per voyage.
3. Home-trade steamers:  
Full rate: £1.73 per 10 tons per voyage.  
Reduced rate (visiting cruise ships): 86.5p per 10 tons per voyage.
4. Foreign-going steamers:  
Full rate: £3.46 per 10 tons per voyage.  
Reduced rate (visiting cruise ships): £1.73 per 10 tons per voyage.

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<sup>(1)</sup> 1898 c. 44; section 5(2) was substituted by the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (c. 39), section 36(2).

<sup>(2)</sup> S.I. 1986/334.

<sup>(3)</sup> S.I. 1981/354, amended by S.I. 1986/334.

5. In the place of payments per voyage, the following payments:—

- (a) for pleasure yachts which the general lighthouse authority is satisfied are ordinarily kept or used outside any of the following countries and territories (including the territorial waters thereof), namely the United Kingdom, Isle of Man, Republic of Ireland, a payment in respect of any visit of 86.5p per 10 tons for every period of 30 days or less comprised in such visit;
- (b) for tugs and pleasure yachts not included in sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph an annual payment of £10.38 per 10 tons.”

(b) In Part II thereof:—

- (i) in the proviso to Rule (1), for “£21.28” and “£10.64” there shall be substituted respectively “£24.22” and “£12.11”;
- (ii) in Rule (7), for “76p” there shall be substituted “86.5p”.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

23rd February 1987

*Michael Spicer*  
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,  
Department of Transport

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations provide for an increase of about 14% in the scale of light dues payable under the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act 1898 as set out in the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Regulations 1981 (as amended) and revokes previous amending Regulations. The last change took effect on 1st April 1986.