#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2009 No. 2048

# The Port Security Regulations 2009

#### PART 6

#### Enforcement

### Offence of making a false statement in relation to baggage, cargo or stores

- **31.**—(1) It is an offence for any person without lawful authority or reasonable excuse to make a statement which that person knows to be false in a material particular, or recklessly make a statement which is false in a material particular, in answer to a question which—
  - (a) relates to any baggage, cargo or stores, whether or not belonging to that person, that is intended for carriage by sea—
    - (i) by a United Kingdom ship; or
    - (ii) by any other ship to or from the United Kingdom; and
  - (b) is put to that person for purposes to which these Regulations apply by any of the persons listed in paragraph (2).
  - (2) The persons referred to in paragraph (1)(b) are—
    - (a) a constable,
    - (b) an officer of the UK Border Agency, an executive agency of the Home Office,
    - (c) a port security officer,
    - (d) a port facility security officer,
    - (e) a directed party,
    - (f) a security manager,

or a person acting on behalf of a port security officer, port facility security officer, directed party or security manager.

(3) A person guilty of an offence under this regulation is liable on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.

**Changes to legislation:**There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Port Security Regulations 2009, Section 31.