# 2018 No. 1106

# The Merchant Shipping (Work in Fishing Convention) Regulations 2018

## PART 9

### Penalties

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**29.**—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), offences under these Regulations are punishable on summary conviction—

- (a) in England and Wales by a fine; or
- (b) in Scotland or Northern Ireland by a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.

(2) An offence under regulation 10(4) is punishable on summary conviction by a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale.

(3) An offence under regulation 13(3) is punishable on summary conviction by a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

(4) An offence under regulation 21(4) is punishable—

- (a) on summary conviction—
  - (i) in England and Wales by a fine; or
  - (ii) in Scotland and Northern Ireland by a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum, or
- (b) on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine, or to both.

#### Defence

**30.** In any proceedings for an offence under these Regulations it is a defence for the person charged to show that all reasonable steps had been taken by that person to ensure compliance with the provision concerned.