STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2026 No. 184

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Application outside Great Britain) (Variation) Order 2026

Made - - - -	*10th March 2026*
Laid before Parliament	*11th March 2026*
Coming into force	*6th April 2026*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 10th day of March 2026

Present,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

His Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 84(3) and (4) of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974(**a**), is pleased by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered as follows.

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Application outside Great Britain) (Variation) Order 2026 and comes into force on 6th April 2026.

(2) This Order extends to England and Wales and Scotland.

Variation of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Application outside Great Britain) Order 2013

2.—(1) The Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Application outside Great Britain) Order 2013(**b**) is varied as follows.

(2) In article 4(2) (offshore installations) after sub-paragraph (a) insert—

"(aa) for the production of hydrogen including any processes involved in its production;".

(**a**) 1974 c. 37. The general purposes of Part 1 of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 were extended by section 1(1) of the Offshore Safety Act 1992 (c. 15).
(**b**) S.I. 2013/240.

Richard Tilbrook
Clerk of the Privy Council

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order varies the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Application outside Great Britain) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/240) ("the 2013 Order"), which applies sections 1 to 59 and 80 to 82 of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (c. 37) ("the prescribed provisions") to certain premises and activities in the territorial sea adjacent to Great Britain and to areas designated under the Continental Shelf Act 1964 (c. 29).

Article 4 of the 2013 Order applies the prescribed provisions to offshore installations. Article 2 of this Order varies the definition of offshore installation in Article 4 of the 2013 Order to include structures used for the production of hydrogen.

A full regulatory impact assessment of the effect that this instrument will have on the costs of business and the voluntary sector is available from Health and Safety Executive, Redgrave Court, Merton Road, Bootle, Merseyside, L20 7HS and is annexed alongside the Explanatory Memorandum on www.legislation.gov.uk.

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