STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1974 No. 868

MERCHANT SHIPPING

The Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Order 1974

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made - - -	21*st May* 1974
Laid before Parliament	29*th May* 1974
Coming into Operation	1*st June* 1974

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 21st day of May 1974

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by section 5 of the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act 1898**(a)**, and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1.—(1) This Order shall come into operation on the 1st June 1974 and may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Order 1974.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889**(b)** shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. There shall be substituted for the scale of payments relating to light dues contained in Schedule 2 of the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Order 1972**(c)** as amended**(d)** the following scale of payments:—

SCALE OF PAYMENTS

1. Home-trade sailing ships: 37p per 10 tons per voyage

2. Foreign-going sailing ships: 86p per 10 tons per voyage

3. Home-trade steamers:
   Full rate: 57p per 10 tons per voyage
   Reduced rate (visiting cruise ships): 29p per 10 tons per voyage

4. Foreign-going steamers:
   Full rate: £1.04 per 10 tons per voyage
   Reduced rate (visiting cruise ships): 58p per 10 tons per voyage

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(a) 1898 c. 44. **(b)** 1889 c. 63. **(c)** S.I. 1972/456 (1972 I, p. 1689).
(d) S.I. 1973/964 (1973 II, p. 2902).

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 adjacent thereto), namely the United Kingdom, Isle of Man, Republic of Ireland, a payment in respect of any visit of 37p 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 £4.44 per 10 tons.

3. The rules contained in the said Schedule 2 shall be amended as follows:—

(*a*) in the proviso to Rule 1 for "£5.70" and "£4.68" there shall be substituted respectively "£6.24" and "£5.16"

(*b*) in Rule 7 for "34p" there shall be substituted "37p".

W. G. Agnew

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order increases the scale of light dues set out in the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Order 1972, as amended by the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Order 1973, by about 10% overall.

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