# TELEGRAPHS

## TELEPHONES

## 1956 No. 640

# The Telephone Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1956

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| *Made* - - - - | *25th April*, 1956 |
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I, The Right Honourable Charles Hill, M.P., Her Majesty's Postmaster-General, with the consent of the Treasury, by virtue of the power vested in me by section one of the Telephone Act 1951(a) and of every other power enabling me in this behalf, do hereby make the following Regulations, that is to say:—

**1.**—(1) These regulations shall be read as one with the Telephone Regulations, 1954(b) (hereinafter called "the principal regulations"), as amended by the Telephone Amendment (No. 1) Regulations, 1955(c) (hereinafter called "the amending regulations").

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(d) applies to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Inland call charges*

**2.**—(1) The Tenth Schedule to the principal regulations (which specifies the charges for inland calls and in which Part I of Table A and Table B were substituted by the amending regulations) is hereby revoked, and the Schedule set out in the Schedule to these regulations shall be substituted therefor.

(2) In sub-paragraph (*b*) of paragraph (2) of regulation twenty-one of the principal regulations and in the proviso to the said sub-paragraph (which sub-paragraph and proviso relate to the remission of all or part of the charge for local calls from an installation provided at the residence rate excluding calls made from a coin box line), for the words "eight shillings and fourpence" (as substituted by paragraph (3) of regulation three of the amending regulations) wherever they occur there shall be substituted the words "ten shillings and fivepence".

(3) Paragraphs (1) and (3) of regulation three of the amending regulations are hereby revoked.

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(a) 14 & 15 Geo. 6. c. 52.
(b) S.I. 1954/1045 (1954 II, p. 2298).
(c) S.I. 1955/1622 (1955 II, p. 2570).
(d) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

*Transitional provision as to inland call charges*

**3.** Any account rendered to a subscriber by the Postmaster-General for the charges for local calls made during a period beginning before the 1st day of July 1956 and ending after the 30th day of June 1956 shall, for the purposes of paragraph (2) of regulation twenty-one of the principal regulations, be deemed to consist of separate accounts (*a*) in respect of local calls made from the beginning of the period to the 30th day of June 1956, and (*b*) in respect of local calls made from the 1st day of July 1956 to the end of the period.

*Alarm calls*

**4.**—(1) In sub-paragraph (*a*) of paragraph (2) of regulation thirty-three of the principal regulations (which fixes the charges for applications for alarm calls), for the word "sixpence" (as substituted by regulation nine of the amending regulations) there shall be substituted the word "fivepence".

(2) Regulation nine of the amending regulations is hereby revoked.

*Citation and commencement*

**5.**—(1) These regulations may be cited as "The Telephone Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1956".

(2) These regulations shall come into operation on the 1st day of July 1956.

Dated this 22nd day of April, 1956.

*Charles Hill,*
Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.

We consent to these regulations.

25th April, 1956.

*Gerald Wills,*
*Harwood Harrison,*
Two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

## THE SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

## TENTH SCHEDULE

Regulation 21

### INLAND CALL CHARGES

### TABLE A

*Where the Local Exchange is operated by the Postmaster-General*

### PART 1

*Charge to the subscriber for a call made from an installation, otherwise than by means of a coin box line*

| Description of call | (i) For the first three minutes or part of three minutes (ii) For each complete period of three minutes after the first (iii) For any odd period of more than two minutes | For any odd period of one minute or less | For any odd period of more than one minute but not more than two minutes |
|---|---|---|---|
| | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. |
| 1. If the call is to the local exchange or to an installation or telephone continuously connected therewith ... ... | – 2½ | – 2½ | – 2½ |
| 2. In any other case, if the distance between the local exchange and the terminal exchange: | | | |
| (*a*) does not exceed 5 miles | – 2½ | – 2½ | – 2½ |
| (*b*) exceeds 5 miles but does not exceed 7½ miles ... | – 5 | – 5 | – 5 |
| (*c*) exceeds 7½ miles but does not exceed 12½ miles ... | – 7½ | – 7½ | – 7½ |
| (*d*) exceeds 12½ miles but does not exceed 15 miles | – 10 | – 10 | – 10 |
| (*e*) exceeds 15 miles but does not exceed 20 miles ... | – 10 | – 4 | – 7 |
| (*f*) exceeds 20 miles but does not exceed 25 miles | 1 2 | – 5 | – 10 |
| (*g*) exceeds 25 miles but does not exceed 35 miles ... | 1 6 | – 6 | 1 – |
| (*h*) exceeds 35 miles but does not exceed 50 miles ... | 1 10 | – 8 | 1 3 |
| (*i*) exceeds 50 miles but does not exceed 75 miles ... | 2 3 | – 9 | 1 6 |
| (*j*) exceeds 75 miles but does not exceed 125 miles ... | 3 – | 1 – | 2 – |
| (*k*) exceeds 125 miles ... | 3 9 | 1 3 | 2 6 |

PART 2

*Charge to the subscriber for a call made from a coin box line*

| Description of call | For the first three minutes or part of three minutes | (i) For each complete period of three minutes after the first (ii) For any odd period of more than two minutes | For any odd period of one minute or less | For any odd period of more than one minute but not more than two minutes |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. |
| 1. If the call is to the local exchange or to an installation or telephone continuously connected therewith: | | | | |
| Before the 1st January 1957 | – 2¾ | – 1½ | – 1½ | – 1½ |
| On and after the 1st January 1957 ... ... ... | – 3½ | – 2½ | – 2½ | – 2½ |
| 2. In any other case, if the distance between the local exchange and the terminal exchange— | | | | |
| (*a*) does not exceed 5 miles: | | | | |
| Before the 1st January 1957... ... ... | – 2¾ | – 1½ | – 1½ | – 1½ |
| On and after the 1st January 1957 ... | – 3½ | – 2½ | – 2½ | – 2½ |
| (*b*) exceeds 5 miles but does not exceed 7½ miles | – 5¼ | – 5 | – 5 | – 5 |
| (*c*) exceeds 7½ miles but does not exceed 12½ miles | – 7⅞ | – 7½ | – 7½ | – 7½ |
| (*d*) exceeds 12½ miles but does not exceed 15 miles | – 10½ | – 10 | – 10 | – 10 |
| (*e*) exceeds 15 miles but does not exceed 20 miles | 1 – | – 10 | – 4 | – 7 |
| (*f*) exceeds 20 miles but does not exceed 25 miles | 1 4 | 1 2 | – 5 | – 10 |
| (*g*) exceeds 25 miles but does not exceed 35 miles | 1 8 | 1 6 | – 6 | 1 – |
| (*h*) exceeds 35 miles but does not exceed 50 miles | 2 – | 1 10 | – 8 | 1 3 |
| (*i*) exceeds 50 miles but does not exceed 75 miles | 2 5 | 2 3 | – 9 | 1 6 |
| (*j*) exceeds 75 miles but does not exceed 125 miles | 3 2 | 3 – | 1 – | 2 – |
| (*k*) exceeds 125 miles ... | 3 11 | 3 9 | 1 3 | 2 6 |

PART 3

*Charge to the caller for a call made from a call office or from a coin box line*

| Description of call | For the first three minutes or part of three minutes | (i) For each complete period of three minutes after the first (ii) For any odd period of more than two minutes | For any odd period of one minute or less | For any odd period of more than one minute but not more than two minutes |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. |
| 1. If the call is to the local exchange or to an installation or telephone continuously connected therewith: | | | | |
| Before the 1st January 1957 | – 3 | – 1½ | – 1½ | – 1½ |
| On and after the 1st January 1957 ... ... ... | – 4 | – 2½ | – 2½ | – 2½ |
| 2. In any other case, if the distance between the local exchange and the terminal exchange— | | | | |
| (*a*) does not exceed 5 miles: | | | | |
| Before the 1st January 1957... ... ... | – 3 | – 1½ | – 1½ | – 1½ |
| On and after the 1st January 1957 ... | – 4 | – 2½ | – 2½ | – 2½ |
| (*b*) exceeds 5 miles but does not exceed 7½ miles ... | – 6 | – 5 | – 5 | – 5 |
| (*c*) exceeds 7½ miles but does not exceed 12½ miles | – 9 | – 7½ | – 7½ | – 7½ |
| (*d*) exceeds 12½ miles but does not exceed 15 miles | 1 – | – 10 | – 10 | – 10 |
| (*e*) exceeds 15 miles but does not exceed 20 miles | 1 1 | – 10 | – 4 | – 7 |
| (*f*) exceeds 20 miles but does not exceed 25 miles | 1 5 | 1 2 | – 5 | – 10 |
| (*g*) exceeds 25 miles but does not exceed 35 miles | 1 9 | 1 6 | – 6 | 1 – |
| (*h*) exceeds 35 miles but does not exceed 50 miles | 2 1 | 1 10 | – 8 | 1 3 |
| (*i*) exceeds 50 miles but does not exceed 75 miles | 2 6 | 2 3 | – 9 | 1 6 |
| (*j*) exceeds 75 miles but does not exceed 125 miles | 3 3 | 3 – | 1 – | 2 – |
| (*k*) exceeds 125 miles ... | 4 – | 3 9 | 1 3 | 2 6 |

TABLE B

*Where the local exchange is operated by a person licensed by the Postmaster-General in that behalf and the terminal exchange is not operated by that person*

| Description of call | (i) For the first three minutes or part of three minutes (ii) For each complete period of three minutes after the first (iii) For any odd period of more than two minutes | For any odd period of one minute or less | For any odd period of more than one minute but not more than two minutes |
|---|---|---|---|
| | s. d. | s. d. | s. d. |
| 1. If the call is to the local exchange or to an installation or telephone continuously connected therewith ... ... | – 2½ | – 2½ | – 2½ |
| 2. In any other case, if the distance between the local exchange and the terminal exchange: | | | |
| (*a*) does not exceed 5 miles | – 2½ | – 2½ | – 2½ |
| (*b*) exceeds 5 miles but does not exceed 7½ miles ... | – 5 | – 5 | – 5 |
| (*c*) exceeds 7½ miles but does not exceed 12½ miles ... | – 7½ | – 7½ | – 7½ |
| (*d*) exceeds 12½ miles but does not exceed 15 miles | – 10 | – 10 | – 10 |
| (*e*) exceeds 15 miles but does not exceed 20 miles ... | – 10 | – 4 | – 7 |
| (*f*) exceeds 20 miles but does not exceed 25 miles | 1 2 | – 5 | – 10 |
| (*g*) exceeds 25 miles but does not exceed 35 miles ... | 1 6 | – 6 | 1 – |
| (*h*) exceeds 35 miles but does not exceed 50 miles ... | 1 10 | – 8 | 1 3 |
| (*i*) exceeds 50 miles but does not exceed 75 miles ... | 2 3 | – 9 | 1 6 |
| (*j*) exceeds 75 miles but does not exceed 125 miles ... | 3 – | 1 – | 2 – |
| (*k*) exceeds 125 miles ... | 3 9 | 1 3 | 2 6 |

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)*

These Regulations amend the Telephone Regulations 1954. The principal changes are:

(1) The charges for inland calls up to 15 chargeable miles are increased. The increases take effect on the 1st July 1956, except those for coin box and call office calls up to 5 chargeable miles, which take effect on the 1st January 1957.

(2) The free call allowance to residence rate subscribers is increased from 8s. 4d. to 10s. 5d. a half-year.

(3) The charge for an alarm call applied for otherwise than from a coin box line or a call office is reduced from 6d. to 5d.