STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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TELEGRAPHS

The Telephone Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1966

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I, The Right Honourable Edward Watson Short, M.P., Her Majesty's Postmaster General, by virtue of the power vested in me by section 1 of the Telephone Act 1951(a), as amended by sections 16 and 28 of the Post Office Act 1961(b), and of every other power enabling me in this behalf, do hereby make the following regulations :

Interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations shall be read as one with the Telephone Regulations 1965(c) as amended(d).

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

Rentals

2. In Schedule 3 Part 8 item 1 (which fixes the quarterly rental for a coin box), for " £1 " there shall be substituted " £2 10s. 0d.".

Inland call charges

3. For Schedule 8 Part 3 there shall be substituted the following :

PART 3

Where the local exchange is operated by the Postmaster General : charge to the caller for a call made from a call office or from a coin box line.

TABLE A

Charge unit : 6d.

	Time for each charge unit
1. Local call	360 seconds
2. Trunk call : where the distance between the group centres concerned :	
(*a*) does not exceed 35 miles	60 „
(*b*) exceeds 35 miles but does not exceed 50 miles	30 „
(*c*) exceeds 50 miles	20 „

(a) 1951 c. 52.
(b) 1961 c. 15.
(c) S.I. 1965/225 (1965 I, p. 518).
(d) S.I. 1965/1191 (1965 II, p. 3388).
(e) 1889 c. 63.

TABLE B

	For the first 3 minutes or part of 3 minutes	For each 3 minutes or part of 3 minutes after the first 3 minutes
	s. d.	s. d.
1. Local call	4d.	
2. Trunk call : where the distance between the group centres concerned :		
(*a*) does not exceed 35 miles	1 6	1 0
(*b*) exceeds 35 miles but does not exceed 50 miles	2 6	2 0
(*c*) exceeds 50 miles but does not exceed 75 miles	3 6	3 0
(*d*) exceeds 75 miles but does not exceed 125 miles	4 0	3 6
(*e*) exceeds 125 miles	4 6	4 0

Charges for foreign and other calls

4. For regulation 20(3) there shall be substituted :

" (3) In addition to the charge fixed under paragraph (1), there shall be charged and paid by the caller for every such call which is made from a call office of the Postmaster General the sum of 6d., unless an additional charge on account of the call's being so made is included in the charge for the call which is fixed under paragraph (1)."

Calls from coin box lines

5.—(1) For regulation 21 there shall be substituted :

" **21.**—(1) In the case of calls made from a coin box line provided by the Postmaster General and services and facilities for which application is made by means of such a coin box line, there shall be placed in the coin collecting box on the said line in respect of every call, service or facility such sum as would be payable therefor if the same were made or applied for by a caller at a call office.

(2) The sums so collected in the coin collecting box shall be the property of the subscriber, who in respect of any period for which an account is rendered shall pay to the Postmaster General for the calls, services and facilities referred to in paragraph (1) an amount equivalent to the aggregate of the sums recorded during the said period by the Postmaster General as having been so collected, less a rebate on the sums recorded as having been so collected for calls, calculated at such rates as the Postmaster General may fix.

(3) The Postmaster General may fix different rates of rebate in relation to different classes of call and different circumstances.

(4) The Postmaster General shall publish in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes or in such other manner as he may determine a statement of the rates at which rebates are to be allowed to coin box line subscribers under paragraph (2) of this regulation.

(5) The sum payable under this regulation by a coin box line subscriber shall be in substitution for any charges which would otherwise be payable by him in respect of the said calls, services and facilities."

(2) Part 2 of Schedule 8 is hereby revoked.

Personal calls—British Islands

6. In regulation 29(5) (which provides for a reduced rate of personal charge), for " 9d." there shall be substituted " 1s."

Transferred charge calls—British Islands

7. In paragraphs (2) and (4) of regulation 30 (which provide for a transfer fee on certain calls to call offices), for " 3d." in each place where it occurs there shall be substituted " 6d.".

Transferred charge calls—elsewhere

8. In regulation 31(3) the words " or a coin box line " are hereby revoked.

Alarm calls

9. In regulation 33(2)(*a*) (which fixes the charge payable on certain applications for alarm calls), for the words following the colon there shall be substituted :

" a sum equal to three times the charge unit specified in Schedule 8 Part 1 Table A, or twice the charge unit specified in Schedule 8 Part 3 Table A, according to whichever Part would be appropriate to the application if it were an ordinary call ;".

Termination of service by notice

10.—(1) In regulation 6(1)(*b*) the words " in writing " are hereby revoked.

(2) In regulation 6(2), for the words " one month " there shall be substituted the words " 7 days ".

Citation and commencement

11. These regulations may be cited as " The Telephone Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1966 ", and shall come into operation on the 1st January 1967.

Dated 15th July 1966.

Edward Short,

Her Majesty's Postmaster General.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These regulations amend the Telephone Regulations 1965. The principal amendments are :

(1) The rental for a coin box is increased and provision is made for the subscriber to be allowed a rebate on the amounts due in respect of calls made from a coin box line.

(2) The charge unit for calls made from public call offices and coin box lines where the subscriber trunk dialling facility is available is increased to 6d. but the time allowed for each unit is doubled.

(3) The charges for the first three minutes of a trunk call made from a public call office or a coin box line where the services of an operator are used are increased by 3d.