The Telephone Amendment (No. 6) Regulations, 1949

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I, the Right Honourable Wilfred Paling, M.P., His Majesty's Postmaster-General, with the consent of the Treasury, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 2 of the Telegraph Act, 1885(**a**), and of all other powers enabling me in this behalf, do hereby make the following Regulations, that is to say:—

Application of the Regulations

1.—(1) These Regulations apply to telephone calls from and to a subscriber's line to and from a ship being a ship in respect of which a licence (which is for the time being in force) has been granted by the Postmaster-General for the establishment and maintenance of a wireless telegraph sending and receiving station of which the sending and receiving instruments shall be telephones and for the working of such station for the purpose of exchanging, through the Post Office Thames Radio Service Wireless Telegraph Station and an Exchange, spoken messages with a person using any such subscriber's line as aforesaid.

(2) Any such sending and receiving station is hereinafter referred to as " a station in the Thames Radio Service " and the person licensed to establish maintain and work the same is hereinafter referred to as " the Licensee ".

(3) Unless and until the Postmaster-General otherwise directs, the service to which these Regulations apply shall not be available for a call from a coin box line or for a personal call.

Call Charges

2.—(1) For each call connected, being a call made from a station in the Thames Radio Service to a subscriber's line, there shall be charged and paid a call charge which shall be the aggregate of the following sums:—

(*a*) a sum equal to the call charge which, in accordance with paragraph (1) of regulation 2 of the Telephone Amendment (No. 5) Regulations, 1949(**b**), is appropriate to a call from a subscriber's line (other than a coin box line or a line provided at the business (small user) rate) connected to the Dartford Telephone Exchange, to the Subscriber's line to which the call is made ; and

(*b*) the sum of two shillings and sixpence together with, if the duration of the call exceeds 3 minutes, a further tenpence for each minute or part of a minute in excess of the first 3 minutes.

(2) For each call connected, being a call made from a Subscriber's line to a Station in the Thames Radio Service, there shall be charged and paid a call charge which shall be the aggregate of the following sums:—

(*a*) a sum equal to the call charge payable in accordance with paragraph (1) of regulation 2 of the Telephone Amendment (No. 5) Regulations, 1949(**b**), for a call from that Subscriber's line to another Subscriber's line where the last mentioned line is connected to the Dartford Telephone Exchange ; and

(**a**) 48 & 49 Vict. c. 58. (**b**) S.I. 1949 No. 1126, p. 4014 above.

(*b*) the sum of two shillings and sixpence together with, if the duration of the call exceeds 3 minutes, a further tenpence for each minute or part of a minute in excess of the first 3 minutes.

(3) All charges in respect of calls originating at a station in the Thames Radio Service shall be paid by the licensee on demand.

Regulations to be read with the existing Regulations

3. These Regulations shall be read as one with the Telephone Regulations, 1936(**a**), and all Regulations amending the same.

Interpretation

4. The Interpretation Act(**b**) applies to this interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Short Title and Commencement

5.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as "The Telephone Amendment (No. 6) Regulations, 1949".

(2) These Regulations shall come into operation on the first day of July, 1949.

Dated this 22nd day of June, 1949.

Wilfred Paling,
His Majesty's Postmaster-General.

WE hereby consent to the Regulations herein set forth.

Julian Snow,
Joseph Henderson,
Two of the Commissioners of
His Majesty's Treasury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations prescribe the call charges payable under a new service whereby a person on a ship which is equipped with the necessary radio apparatus installed and worked under licence from the Postmaster-General may exchange spoken messages with Post Office telephone subscribers in the United Kingdom, the calls being connected through the Post Office Thames Radio Service Wireless Telegraph Station and a Post Office telephone exchange. The call charge will be the aggregate of (i) the ordinary call charge from a subscriber's line computed as stated in 2 (1) (*a*) and 2 (2) (*a*) of the Regulations, and (ii) a charge of 10d. a minute (with a minimum of 2s. 6d.) for the radio element of the call.

Unless and until the Postmaster-General otherwise directs, the service is not available for calls from coin box lines nor for personal calls, i.e., calls for specified persons by name or title.

(**a**) S.R. & O. 1936 (No. 173) II, p. 3470. (**b**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.