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TELEGRAPHS

The Telephone (Channel Islands) Regulations 1968

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I, The Right Honourable John Thomson Stonehouse, 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 extended to the Channel Islands by the Telephone (Channel Islands) Order 1952(b) and as amended by sections 16 and 28 of the Post Office Act 1961(c) and of every other power enabling me in this behalf, do hereby make the following regulations, that is to say:—

Interpretation

1.—(1) In these regulations, except so far as the contrary is provided or the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:—

" the British Islands " means the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man;

" call office " means a telephone available to the public for the purpose of sending and receiving telephonic messages, not being a subscriber's telephone;

" coin box telephone " means a telephone (not being a call office) in respect of calls from which the States of the Island of Jersey or the States of the Island of Guernsey require sums of money to be placed in a coin collecting box provided by them;

" fixed time call " means a call booked in advance for connection at a specified time in accordance with regulation 8;

" the Guernsey system " means the public telephone system within the bailiwick of Guernsey worked by the States of the Island of Guernsey under licence from the Postmaster General;

" the Hull system " means the public telephone system worked by the Corporation of Kingston-upon-Hull under licence from the Postmaster General;

" the Jersey system " means the public telephone system within the Island of Jersey worked by the States of the Island of Jersey under licence from the Postmaster General;

" personal call " means a call booked for the specified purpose of communication with a particular person or otherwise in accordance with regulation 9;

" the Postmaster General's system " means the public telephone system under the control of the Postmaster General;

(a) 1951 c. 52. (b) S.I. 1952/163 (1952 III, p. 3401). (c) 1961 c. 15.

" radiophone system " means a system primarily designed for providing telephones in vehicles with telephone service through a public telephone system by means of a wireless telegraphy link between those telephones and a station for wireless telegraphy forming part of the public telephone system;

" telephone " (in expressions relating to calls made from or to a telephone) includes automatic apparatus for making calls or giving messages, or for answering calls or recording messages.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(a) applies for the interpretation of these regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament, and as if these regulations and the regulations hereby revoked were Acts of Parliament.

Application

2. Except as provided in regulations 10 and 11, these regulations shall apply only to calls made from telephones on the Jersey system or the Guernsey system which involve the use of the Postmaster General's system, and to services and facilities provided in relation to such calls.

Call charges

3.—(1) The charges for calls other than calls to which regulation 4 or regulation 6 applies shall be as follows:—

(*a*) Where the call is obtained by means of the subscriber trunk dialling facility, the charge shall be at the rate of 3d. for each period of 12 seconds or fraction of such period.

(*b*) Otherwise (whether or not the subscriber trunk dialling facility is available on the telephone from which the call is made), the charge shall be at the appropriate rate specified in the Schedule hereto.

(2) The charges referred to in paragraph (1) do not include the charge which the States of the Island of Jersey or the States of the Island of Guernsey may make in respect of the use of a call office or a coin box telephone provided by them.

Charges for foreign and other calls

4.—(1) The charges for calls (other than calls to which regulation 6 applies) which are made to a place outside the British Islands, or to a ship or aircraft, or to a telephone on a radiophone system, shall be such as the Postmaster General may fix.

(2) The charges so fixed by the Postmaster General shall not include the charge referred to in regulation 3 (2).

(3) The Postmaster General shall notify the charges so fixed to the States of the Island of Jersey and the States of the Island of Guernsey.

Reduced rate calls

5. Any sums payable under these regulations in respect of calls of any description may be reduced at such times or during such periods as the Postmaster General may from time to time direct.

Calls made by means of special equipment, etc.

6.—(1) Where there is provided for the purpose of any call:—

(*a*) special equipment or apparatus affording sound reproduction of higher quality than that afforded by the ordinary public telephone system; or

(a) 1889 c. 63.

(*b*) means of simultaneous communication between three or more telephones; or

(*c*) equipment or apparatus to facilitate the recording or broadcasting of messages;

the charge for the call shall, subject to the terms of any contract with the Postmaster General for the provision of the call or of such equipment or apparatus or means of communication, be such as the Postmaster General may fix.

(2) The charge so fixed by the Postmaster General shall not include the charge referred to in regulation 3 (2).

Services and facilities

7.—(1) The services and facilities referred to in paragraphs (3) and (4) of this regulation and in regulations 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 may be provided by the Postmaster General at such times, during such periods, in such circumstances, and by means of such telephones and telephone exchanges or classes thereof as the Postmaster General may from time to time consider expedient. The charges, terms and conditions determined by or under these regulations shall apply to such services and facilities in so far as they are so provided.

(2) Regulations 8, 9 and 13 shall not apply in relation to calls to which regulation 6 applies.

(3) The charges applicable to any services and facilities provided in relation to calls to which regulation 4 applies, and the charges for the attempt to connect such calls in cases where communication between the person calling and the person called is not established by reason of the refusal of either of those persons to accept the call, shall (unless fixed by these regulations) be such as the Postmaster General may fix and notify to the States of the Island of Jersey and the States of the Island of Guernsey.

(4) The charges applicable to any services or facilities provided in relation to any calls to which regulation 6 applies, shall, subject to the terms of any such contract as is mentioned in that regulation, be such as the Postmaster General may fix.

(5) The Postmaster General may permit the States of the Island of Jersey or the States of the Island of Guernsey to exercise on his behalf any discretion which is exercisable by him by virtue of paragraph (2), (5) or (6) of regulation 8 or paragraph (1) of regulation 9.

Fixed time calls

8.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this regulation, a person (in this regulation referred to as "an applicant") may book calls (including personal calls) in advance for connection at a specified time to a specified telephone number on the Postmaster General's system or the Hull system.

(2) A fixed time call which is to be made from a call office or a coin box telephone shall be booked from that call office or that coin box telephone. Any other fixed time call may be booked from any telephone or in writing. The Postmaster General may refuse to accept a booking if in his opinion notice of insufficient length has been given.

(3) A booking charge of 6d. shall be paid in respect of an application for a fixed time call in addition to the charge for the call.

(4) The booking charge for a fixed time call which is to be made from a subscriber's telephone shall be paid by the subscriber in respect of the telephone from which the call is to be made. The booking charge for a fixed time call which is to be made from a call office shall be paid by the applicant at the time when the call is booked.

(5) The Postmaster General may at his discretion remit the whole or part of the booking charge in respect of an application for a fixed time call if the application for the call is cancelled by the applicant before the call is connected, or if the call is connected more than ten minutes after the specified time.

(6) The Postmaster General may at his discretion and without charge allow the applicant to alter the time specified by him for connection of a fixed time call.

Personal calls

9.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this regulation, a person (in this regulation referred to as " the applicant ") may book a call to a specified telephone number on the Postmaster General's system or the Hull system, for the specified purpose of communication with a particular person identified by name or by such description as the Postmaster General may consider sufficient, or for connection to a particular department, correspondence reference, code number or extension number.

(2) The applicant when booking a personal call may specify:

(*a*) one or more alternative telephone numbers after the first at which the person required may be found;

(*b*) one or more substitutes for the person required, who may be found at the first or any specified alternative telephone number or numbers; or

(*c*) two persons who may be found at the first or any specified alternative telephone number or numbers, with the requirement that unless both of them are available to speak the call is not to be connected.

(3) Subject to the following paragraphs of this regulation, a personal charge of 2s. shall be paid in respect of the application for a personal call, whether or not the call is connected.

(4) The personal charge shall be payable in addition to any other charges payable for or in respect of the call or the application therefor.

(5) No personal charge shall be payable if the telephone exchange operator is unable to establish communication with the specified telephone number, or (as the case may be) is able to establish communication with none of the specified telephone numbers.

(6) The personal charge (if any) in respect of the application for a personal call which is also a fixed time call shall be payable in the manner in which the booking charge is payable under Regulation 8 (4).

(7) Where the applicant is unaware of the telephone number of a person required or of a substitute for him, the applicant may specify the address or alternative addresses of the person concerned, and in that event this regulation shall have effect as if the applicant had specified the telephone number or alternative telephone numbers (as the case may be) at which the person concerned might be found.

Transferred charge calls—British Islands

10.—(1) A person making a call to a subscriber's telephone may request the telephone exchange operator that the amount payable in respect of the call shall be charged to and payable by the person who is the subscriber in respect of the called telephone, and if the person answering from the called telephone consents to such request before the call is established, the amount payable in respect of the call and the transfer fee of 6d. shall be charged and payable as if the call had been made from the called telephone.

(2) A person making a call to a call office may request the telephone exchange operator that the amount payable in respect of the call shall be payable by the person answering from the call office, and if the person so answering consents

to such request, the amount payable in respect of the call and the transfer fee of 6d. shall be paid by that person in cash placed in the coin collecting box of the call office before the call is established.

(3) A person making a call from a coin box telephone or a call office to a subscriber's telephone may, before the termination of the call, request the telephone exchange operator that the duration of the call may be extended for a further period beyond the period in respect of which payment was made in cash, and that the amount payable in respect of such further period may be charged to and payable by the person who is the subscriber in respect of the called telephone, or the person answering from the called telephone may make the like request; and (provided in the former case that the person so answering consents to the request) the amount payable in respect of the extended period of the call and the transfer fee of 6d. shall in either case be charged and payable as if the amount had been an amount payable in respect of a call made from the called telephone.

(4) A person making a call from a coin box telephone or a call office to a call office may, before the termination of the call, request the telephone exchange operator that the duration of the call may be extended for a further period beyond the period in respect of which payment was made in cash, and that the amount payable in respect of such further period shall be payable by the person receiving the call, or the person receiving the call may make the like request; and (provided in the former case that the person receiving the call consents to the request) the amount payable in respect of the extended period of the call and the transfer fee of 6d. shall in either case be paid by the person receiving the call in cash placed in the coin collecting box of the call office before the duration of the call is extended.

(5) Where any call referred to in the foregoing paragraphs of this regulation is a personal call made from a coin box telephone or a call office, the personal charge shall be paid in advance in cash placed in the coin collecting box by the person making the application for the call, and shall not be made payable by any other person by virtue of the foregoing paragraphs of this regulation.

(6) This regulation shall apply only to calls made in either direction between a telephone on the Jersey system or the Guernsey system, and a telephone on land (whether in a fixed location or not) on the Postmaster General's system or the Hull system.

(7) For the purpose of this regulation, where the context so requires or admits references in these regulations to a subscriber shall include references to a subscriber to the Postmaster General's system and a subscriber to the Hull system, and the reference to the States of the Island of Jersey and the States of the Island of Guernsey in the definition of " coin box telephone " in regulation 1 shall include references to the Postmaster General and the Corporation of Kingston-upon-Hull.

(8) For the purpose of the application of this regulation to calls made to a telephone on a radiophone system of the Postmaster General, such telephone shall be deemed to be a subscriber's telephone, and the person holding a Radiophone Service Licence under the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949(a) in respect of it shall be deemed to be the subscriber.

(9) In this regulation the expression " the amount payable in respect of the call " shall, in relation to calls made from a call office or coin box telephone on the Jersey system or the Guernsey system, include the charge which the States of the Island of Jersey or the States of the Island of Guernsey may make in respect of the use of the call office or coin box telephone.

(a) 1949 c. 54.

Transferred charge calls—elsewhere

11.—(1) A person making a call from the Channel Islands to a place outside the British Islands in respect of which the transferred charge service is available may request that the call charges should be reversed; and if the Telephone Authority providing service in the latter place, or the operator in the Channel Islands, or the Post Office operator, obtains from the person answering on the called telephone his consent to such request before the call is established, and the call is established, no call charge or service charge shall be payable under these regulations in respect of the call or the transferred charge service.

(2) Where the call is not established (whether or not such consent has been obtained), or where such consent is not obtained and the call is established as an ordinary call, there shall be charged and paid under these regulations such service charge (if any) as the Postmaster General may fix, in addition in the latter case to the charge in respect of the call.

(3) Where a person making a call to the Channel Islands from a place outside the British Islands, or a ship or aircraft registered in any part of the British Islands, being a place, ship or aircraft in respect of which the transferred charge service is available, requests that the call charges shall be reversed, and the person answering from the called telephone consents to such request before the call is established, and the call is established, there shall be charged and paid under these regulations:

(*a*) where the call is made from a place, such call charge and such service charge (if any) as the Postmaster General may fix;

(*b*) where the call is made from a ship or aircraft, the charge for the call fixed by the Postmaster General under the Telephone Regulations 1968(**a**), and such service charge (if any) as the Postmaster General may fix.

The said charges shall be payable by the like person and in the like manner as if they were charges in respect of a call made from the called telephone, but not so as to make payable the charge referred to in regulation 3 (2) where the called telephone is a call office or a coin box telephone.

(4) Where a person making a call to the Channel Islands from a ship or aircraft registered in any part of the British Islands, being a ship or aircraft in respect of which the transferred charge service is available, requests that the call charges shall be reversed, and either:

(*a*) the call is not established, or

(*b*) the consent of the person answering from the called telephone to such request is not obtained and the call is established as an ordinary call,

there shall be charged under these regulations and paid by the caller in the ship or aircraft such service charge (if any) as the Postmaster General may fix, in addition in the latter case to the charge for the call.

(5) The Postmaster General shall notify the charges fixed by him under this regulation to the States of the Island of Jersey and the States of the Island of Guernsey.

Credit card calls

12.—(1) Where:

(*a*) the States of the Island of Jersey or the States of the Island of Guernsey have issued to a subscriber a credit card, under the authority of which a holder of the card may make calls or certain classes of call from telephones other than the subscriber's telephone on terms that the call charges will be payable by the subscriber, or

(**a**) S.I. 1968/1256 (1968 II, p. 3448).

(*b*) the Postmaster General or any other Authority providing telephone service outside the Channel Islands has issued a credit card with like effect to a subscriber to the Postmaster General's system or to the system of that Authority, and there is in force an arrangement between the Postmaster General or that Authority and the States of the Island of Jersey or the States of the Island of Guernsey (as the case may be) whereby a holder of such card may make calls or certain classes of call under the authority of such card from telephones on the Jersey system or the Guernsey system (as the case may be);

then if a call involving the use of the Postmaster General's system is duly made as a credit card call under the authority of a current credit card from a telephone in the Channel Islands, no call charge or service charge shall be payable under these regulations by the caller or by the person who is the subscriber in respect of the telephone from which the call is made.

(2) This regulation shall apply to services and facilities requested on the authority of a credit card and to the charges in respect of such services and facilities, as it applies to credit card calls and to the charges in respect thereof.

Advice of duration and charge

13.—(1) Particulars of the duration of or the charge for a call, or of both such duration and charge, may be supplied on the request of the person who is the subscriber in respect of the telephone from which the call was made or of any other person using such telephone or in the case of a transferred charge call, on the request of the person who is the subscriber in respect of the called telephone or of any other person using such telephone.

(2) There shall be charged and paid for this service in respect of each call to or from a place within the British Islands of which particulars are supplied, the sum of 6d.; and in respect of each other call of which particulars are supplied, the sum of 2s.

Payment of charges

14.—(1) Subject to the provisions of these regulations, and without prejudice to the terms of any licence by the Postmaster General to the States of the Island of Jersey or the States of the Island of Guernsey to carry on telephonic business or to any agreement or arrangement between the Postmaster General and the said States relating to such business, the charges fixed by or under these regulations for calls made from telephones on the Jersey system and for services and facilities in relation to such calls shall be paid to the States of the Island of Jersey, and the charges so fixed for calls made from telephones on the Guernsey system and for services and facilities in relation to such calls shall be paid to the States of the Island of Guernsey.

(2) Subject as aforesaid, the said charges for calls made from a subscriber's telephone and for services and facilities in relation to such calls shall be paid by that subscriber on demand, and those for calls made from a call office and for services and facilities in relation to such calls shall be paid in advance by the person making the call.

Revocation

15. The Telephone (Channel Islands) Regulations 1963(**a**), the Telephone (Channel Islands) Amendment (No. 1) Regulations 1963(**b**), the Telephone (Channel Islands) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1966(**c**), and the Telephone (Channel Islands) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 1966(**d**) are hereby revoked.

(**a**) S.I. 1963/230 (1963 I, p. 205).
(**b**) S.I. 1963/607 (1963 I, p. 722).
(**c**) S.I. 1966/437 (1966 I, p. 935).
(**d**) S.I. 1966/858 (1966 II, p. 2046).

Citation and commencement

16. These regulations may be cited as " The Telephone (Channel Islands) Regulations 1968 " and shall come into operation on the 1st October 1968.

Dated 5th August 1968.

John Stonehouse,
Her Majesty's Postmaster General.

Regulation 3

THE SCHEDULE

Call made otherwise than from a call office or coin box telephone		Call made from a call office or coin box telephone
For the first three minutes or part of three minutes	For each minute or part of a minute after the first three minutes	For each three minutes or part of three minutes
s. d. 4 0	s. d. 1 4	s. d. 4 0

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations consolidate with amendments the Telephone (Channel Islands) Regulations 1963, the Telephone (Channel Islands) Amendment (No. 1) Regulations 1963, the Telephone (Channel Islands) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1966, and the Telephone (Channel Islands) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations 1966.

The principal amendments are as follows:

1. The charges for calls to the mainland obtained by subscriber trunk dialling are increased.
2. Other calls to the mainland will be charged for at uniform rates irrespective of distance; this will result in an increase in the charge for such calls of not more than 125 miles.
3. The additional charge for a personal call is increased to 2s.
4. The additional charge for certain transferred charge calls is increased to 6d.
5. The charge for supplying particulars of the duration of or the charge for a call to a place within the British Islands is increased to 6d. and a charge of 2s. is prescribed for providing this service in respect of a call to a place outside the British Islands.