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Offshore Installations and Pipeline Works (Management and Administration) Regulations 1995/738

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1. Citation and commencement

These Regulations may be cited as the Offshore Installations and Pipeline Works (Management and Administration) Regulations 1995 and shall come into force on 20th June 1995, except [regulation 23\(2\)](#), which shall come into force on 20th June 1997.

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[2.— Interpretation

(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“the 1969 Act” means the Employers' Liability (Compulsory Insurance) Act 1969;

“the 1971 Act” means the Mineral Workings (Offshore Installations) Act 1971 ¹;

[*“the 2005 Regulations”* means the Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005; *“the 2013 Order”* means the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (Application outside Great Britain) Order 2013; *“the 2015 Regulations”* means the Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety case etc.) Regulations 2015;] ¹⁷

“apparatus or works” means —

(a) apparatus or works described in paragraphs (a) to (f); and

(b) a structure described in paragraph (g),

of the definition of “pipeline” in [article 6(2) of the 2013] ¹⁸ Order;

“associated structure” means, in relation to an offshore installation, a vessel, aircraft or hovercraft attendant on the installation or any floating structure used in connection with the installation;

“duty holder” means—

(a) in relation to a production installation, the operator; and

(b) in relation to a non-production installation, the owner;

[*“external waters”* means the territorial sea adjacent to Great Britain and any area designated by order under section 1(7) of the Continental Shelf Act 1964;]

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“installation manager” means, in relation to an offshore installation, the person appointed for the purposes of regulation 6(1)(a) who is for the time being in charge of it;

[*“internal waters”* means tidal waters and parts of the sea in, or adjacent to, Great Britain up to the landward limits of the territorial sea;] [20](#)

[*“licensee”* —

(a) in relation to internal waters, means any person to whom a licence to search and bore for and get petroleum in respect of any area within internal waters is granted pursuant to section 2 of the Petroleum (Production) Act 1934 or section 3 of the Petroleum Act 1998; and

(b) in relation to external waters, means an offshore licensee as defined in regulation 2(1) of the Offshore Petroleum Licensing (Offshore Safety Directive) Regulations 2015;

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“non-production installation” means an installation other than a production installation;

“offshore installation” shall be construed in accordance with regulation 3;

[*“operator”* —

(a) in relation to internal waters—

(i) in relation to the dismantling of a fixed installation (within the meaning given in the 2005 Regulations), has the meaning given in regulation 11(4) of the 2005 Regulations; and

(ii) otherwise, has the meaning given in regulation 2(1) of the 2005 Regulations in relation to a production installation;

(b) in relation to external waters, has the meaning given in regulation 2(1) of the 2015 Regulations;

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“owner” means the person who controls [or is entitled to control] [23](#) the operation of a non-production installation ;

[*“petroleum”* —

(a) includes any mineral oil or relative hydrocarbon and natural gas, whether or not existing in its natural condition in strata; and

(b) does not include coal or bituminous shales or other stratified deposits from which oil can be extracted by destructive distillation;

"pipeline" means a pipeline within the meaning of [article 6(2) of the 2013] ²⁴ Order ;

"pipeline works" means pipeline works within the meaning of [article 6(2) of the 2013 Order] ²⁴;

[*"production installation"* —

(a) in relation to internal waters, has the meaning given in regulation 2(1) of the 2005 Regulations; and

(b) in relation to external waters, has the meaning given in regulation 2(1) of the 2015 Regulations;

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"relevant employee" means an employee—

(a) who is ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom, or

(b) who is not ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom but who has been present in the United Kingdom and relevant waters in the course of employment there for a continuous period of not less than 7 days

;

[*"relevant waters"* means internal waters and external waters;] ²⁶

"supplementary unit" means a fixed or floating structure, other than a vessel, for providing energy, information or substances to an offshore installation; and

"vessel" includes a hovercraft and any floating structure which is capable of being staffed.

(2) Any reference in these Regulations to operating an offshore installation is a reference to using the installation for any of the purposes described in regulation 3(1).

(3) For the purpose of these Regulations any structures and devices on top of a well shall be treated as forming part of the well.

(4) Unless the context otherwise requires, any reference in these Regulations to—

(a) a numbered regulation is a reference to the regulation in these Regulations so numbered;

(b) a numbered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph so numbered in the regulation in which the reference appears; and

(c) a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule in these Regulations so numbered.

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2.— Interpretation

(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“the 1969 Act” means the [Employers' Liability \(Compulsory Insurance\) Act 1969](#);

“the 1971 Act” means the [Mineral Workings \(Offshore Installations\) Act 1971](#)¹;

“the 1995 Order” means the [Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 \(Application outside Great Britain\) Order 1995](#);

“apparatus or works” means —

(a) apparatus or works described in [paragraphs \(a\) to \(f\)](#); and

(b) a structure described in [paragraph \(g\)](#),

of the definition of “pipeline” in [article 6\(2\)](#) of the 1995 Order;

“associated structure” means, in relation to an offshore installation, a vessel, aircraft or hovercraft attendant on the installation or any floating structure used in connection with the installation;

[...] ²

[*“duty holder”* means—

(a) in relation to a production installation, the operator; and

(b) in relation to a non-production installation, the owner;

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[...] ⁴

"installation manager" means, in relation to an offshore installation, the person appointed for the purposes of [regulation 6\(1\)\(a\)](#) who is for the time being in charge of it;

[*"licensee"* means any person to whom a licence to search and bore for and get petroleum in respect of any area within relevant waters is granted pursuant to [section 3](#) of the [Petroleum Act 1998](#);] ⁵

[...] ⁶

[*"non-production installation"* means an installation other than a production installation;] ⁷

"offshore installation" shall be construed in accordance with [regulation 3](#);

[*"operator"* means—

(a) the person appointed by the licensee to manage and control directly or by any other person the execution of the main functions of a production installation; or

(b) the licensee, where—

(i) it is not clear to the Executive that one person has been appointed to perform the functions described in paragraph (a); or

(ii) in the opinion of the Executive, any person appointed to perform the functions described in paragraph (a) is incapable of performing those functions satisfactorily;

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[*"owner"* means the person who controls the operation of a non-production installation;] ⁹

[*"petroleum"* —

(a) includes any mineral oil or relative hydrocarbon and natural gas, whether or not existing in its natural condition in strata; and

(b) does not include coal or bituminous shales or other stratified deposits from which oil can be extracted by destructive distillation;

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"pipeline" means a pipeline within the meaning of [article 6(2) of the 2001] ¹¹ Order ;

"pipeline works" means pipeline works within the meaning of [article 6(2) of the 2001] ¹¹ Order ;

[*"production installation"* means an installation which—

(a) extracts petroleum from beneath the sea-bed by means of a well;

(b) stores gas in or under the shore or bed of relevant waters and recovers gas so stored; or

(c) is used for the conveyance of petroleum by means of a pipe,

and—

(a) includes a—

(i) non-production installation converted for use as a production installation for so long as it is so converted;

(ii) production installation which has ceased production for so long as it is not converted to a non-production installation; and

(iii) production installation which has not come into use; and

(b) does not include an installation which, for a period of no more than 90 days, extracts petroleum from beneath the sea-bed for the purposes of well testing;

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"relevant employee" means an employee—

(a) who is ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom, or

(b) who is not ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom but who has been present in the United Kingdom and relevant waters in the course of employment there for a continuous period of not less than 7 days

;

“relevant waters” means —

(a) tidal waters and parts of the sea in or adjacent to Great Britain up to the seaward limits of territorial waters; and

(b) any area designated by order under [section 1\(7\)](#) of the [Continental Shelf Act 1964](#)¹³

; [...] ¹⁴

[*“supplementary unit”* means a fixed or floating structure, other than a vessel, for providing energy, information or substances to an offshore installation; and] ¹⁵

“vessel” includes a hovercraft and any floating structure which is capable of being staffed.

(2) Any reference in these Regulations to operating an offshore installation is a reference to using the installation for any of the purposes described in [regulation 3\(1\)](#).

(3) For the purpose of these Regulations any structures and devices on top of a well shall be treated as forming part of the well.

(4) Unless the context otherwise requires, any reference in these Regulations to—

(a) a numbered regulation is a reference to the regulation in these Regulations so numbered;

(b) a numbered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph so numbered in the regulation in which the reference appears; and

(c) a numbered Schedule is a reference to the [Schedule](#) in these Regulations so numbered.

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Notes

1. amended by the [Oil and Gas \(Enterprise\) Act 1982 \(c.23\)](#); certain provisions were repealed by [S.I. 1993/1823](#).
2. Definition revoked by Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005/3117 [Sch.9 para.2\(a\)\(i\)](#) (April 6, 2006)
3. Definition substituted by Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005/3117 [Sch.9 para.2\(a\)\(ii\)](#) (April 6, 2006)
4. Definition revoked by Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005/3117 [Sch.9 para.2\(a\)\(iii\)](#) (April 6, 2006)

- 5 . Definition inserted by Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005/3117 [Sch.9 para.2\(a\)\(iv\)](#) (April 6, 2006)
- 6 . Definition revoked by Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005/3117 [Sch.9 para.2\(a\)\(v\)](#) (April 6, 2006)
- 7 . Definition inserted by Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005/3117 [Sch.9 para.2\(a\)\(vi\)](#) (April 6, 2006)
- 8 . Definition substituted by Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005/3117 [Sch.9 para.2\(a\)\(vii\)](#) (April 6, 2006)
- 9 . Definition substituted by Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005/3117 [Sch.9 para.2\(a\)\(viii\)](#) (April 6, 2006)
- 10 . Definition inserted by Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005/3117 [Sch.9 para.2\(a\)\(ix\)](#) (April 6, 2006)
- 11 . Words substituted by Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005/3117 [Sch.9 para.2\(a\)\(x\)](#) (April 6, 2006)
- 12 . Definition inserted by Offshore Installations (Safety Case) Regulations 2005/3117 [Sch.9 para.2\(a\)\(xi\)](#) (April 6, 2006)
- 13 . [section 1](#) was amended by the [Oil and Gas \(Enterprise\) Act 1982 \(c.23\), Schedule 3, paragraph 1.](#)
- 14 . Word revoked by Offshore Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2002/2175 [reg.2\(1\)\(a\)](#) (September 17, 2002)
- 15 . Definition inserted by Offshore Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2002/2175 [reg.2\(1\)\(b\)](#) (September 17, 2002)
- 16 . Definition revoked by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(2\) para.1](#) (July 19, 2015: revocation has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- 17 . Definitions inserted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.9\(b\)](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- 18 . Word substituted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.9\(c\)](#) (July 19, 2015: substitution has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- 19 . Definition inserted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.9\(d\)](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- 20 . Definition inserted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.9\(e\)](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- 21 . Definition substituted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.9\(f\)](#) (July 19, 2015: substitution has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- 22 . Definition substituted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.9\(g\)](#) (July 19, 2015: substitution has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- 23 . Words inserted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.9\(h\)](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- 24 . Word substituted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.9\(i\)](#) (July 19, 2015: substitution has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- 25 . Definition substituted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.9\(j\)](#) (July 19, 2015: substitution has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- 26 . Definition substituted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.9\(k\)](#) (July 19, 2015: substitution has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)

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[3.— Meaning of “offshore installation”

(1) Subject to the provisions of this regulation, in these Regulations the expression “*offshore installation*” means a structure which is, or is to be, or has been used, while standing or stationed in relevant waters, or on the foreshore or other land intermittently covered with water—

(a) for the exploitation, or exploration with a view to exploitation, of mineral resources by means of a well;

(b) for the storage of gas in or under the shore or bed of relevant waters or the recovery of gas so stored;

(c) for the conveyance of things by means of a pipe; or

(ca) for undertaking activities that involve mechanically entering the pressure containment boundary of a well;

(d) [primarily] ⁵ for the provision of accommodation for persons who work on or from a structure falling within any of the provisions of this paragraph,

together with any supplementary unit which is ordinarily connected to it or any part of it (including those parts described in paragraph (3) below) and all of the connections.

(2) Any reference in paragraph (1) to a structure or unit does not include—

(a) a structure which is connected with dry land by a permanent structure providing access at all times and for all purposes;

(b) a well;

(c) a structure or device which does not project above the sea at any state of the tide;

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(d) a mobile structure which has ceased to be used for any of the purposes specified in paragraph (1), and has since been used for a purpose not so specified;

(da) a fixed structure which has ceased to be used for any of the purposes specified in paragraph (1), for so long as it is used for a purpose not so specified;

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(e) a mobile structure which has been taken out of use and is not yet being moved with a view to its being used for any of the purposes specified in paragraph (1); and

(f) any part of a pipeline.

(3) For the purposes of these Regulations there shall be deemed to be part of an offshore installation—

(a) any well for the time being connected to it by pipe or cable;

(b) such part of any pipeline connected to it as is within 500 metres of any part of its main structure;

(c) any apparatus or works which are situated—

(i) on or affixed to its main structure; or

(ii) wholly or partly within 500 metres of any part of its main structure and associated with a pipe or system of pipes connected to any part of that installation.

(4) Where two or more structures are, or are to be, connected permanently above the sea at high tide they shall for the purposes of these Regulations be deemed to

comprise a single offshore installation.

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3.— Meaning of “offshore installation”

(1) Subject to the provisions of this regulation, in these Regulations the expression “*offshore installation*” means a structure which is, or is to be, or has been used, while standing or stationed in relevant waters, or on the foreshore or other land intermittently covered with water—

(a) for the exploitation, or exploration with a view to exploitation, of mineral resources by means of a well;

(b) for the storage of gas in or under the shore or bed of relevant waters or the recovery of gas so stored;

(c) for the conveyance of things by means of a pipe; or

(d) mainly for the provision of accommodation for persons who work on or from a structure falling within any of the provisions of this paragraph,

[together with any supplementary unit which is ordinarily connected to it or any part of it (including those parts described in paragraph (3) below) and all of the connections] ¹.

(2) [Any reference in paragraph (1) to a structure or unit does not include] ² —

(a) a structure which is connected with dry land by a permanent structure providing access at all times and for all purposes;

(b) a well;

(c) a structure or device which does not project above the sea at any state of the tide;

(d) a structure which has ceased to be used for any of the purposes specified in

paragraph (1), and has since been used for a purpose not so specified;

(e) a mobile structure which has been taken out of use and is not [yet being moved with a view to its being] ³ used for any of the purposes specified in paragraph (1); and

(f) any part of a pipeline.

(3) For the purposes of these Regulations there shall be deemed to be part of an offshore installation—

(a) any well for the time being connected to it by pipe or cable;

(b) such part of any pipeline connected to it as is within 500 metres of any part of its main structure;

(c) any apparatus or works which are situated—

(i) on or affixed to its main structure; or

(ii) wholly or partly within 500 metres of any part of its main structure and associated with a pipe or system of pipes connected to any part of that installation.

(4) Where two or more structures are, or are to be, connected permanently above the sea at high tide they shall for the purposes of these Regulations be deemed to comprise a single offshore installation.

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Notes

1. Words substituted by Offshore Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2002/2175 [reg.2\(2\)\(a\)](#) (September 17, 2002)
2. Words substituted by Offshore Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2002/2175 [reg.2\(2\)\(b\)](#) (September 17, 2002)
3. Words substituted by Offshore Safety (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2002/2175 [reg.2\(2\)\(c\)](#) (September 17, 2002)
4. Added by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.10\(2\)\(a\)](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
5. Word substituted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.10\(2\)\(b\)](#) (July 19, 2015: substitution has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)

- [6](#) . Reg.3(2)(d) and (da) substituted for reg.3(2)(d) by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.10\(3\)](#) (July 19, 2015: substitution has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)

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[4.— Application

(1) Except for regulations 21F and 21G (which provide for their own application), these Regulations shall apply—

(a) in Great Britain; and

(b) to and in relation to offshore installations, wells, pipelines and activities outside Great Britain to which sections 1 to 59 and 80 to 82 of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 apply by virtue of [articles 4(1) and (2), 5 and 6]² of the [2013]³ Order.

(2) Regulations 6 to 21 shall not apply in relation to an offshore installation which is in transit to or from a location; and an offshore installation is not in transit to or from a location while it is being manoeuvred at the location.

(3) Save where otherwise expressly provided, nothing in regulations 6 to 13 or 15 to 18 shall impose a duty in relation to an offshore installation while there are no persons aboard.

[(4) Regulations 21A to 21E do not apply to an offshore installation—

(a) registered as a vessel (whether registered in the United Kingdom or elsewhere); or

(b) which is in transit to or from a station; or

(c) which is unmanned.

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4.— Application

(1) These Regulations shall apply—

(a) in Great Britain; and

(b) to and in relation to offshore installations, wells, pipelines and activities outside Great Britain to which [sections 1 to 59](#) and [80 to 82](#) of the [Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974](#) apply by virtue of [articles 4\(1\)](#) and [\(2\)\(b\)](#), [5](#) and [6](#) of the 1995 Order.

(2) [Regulations 6 to 21](#) shall not apply in relation to an offshore installation which is in transit to or from a location; and an offshore installation is not in transit to or from a location while it is being manoeuvred at the location.

(3) Save where otherwise expressly provided, nothing in [regulations 6 to 13](#) or [15 to 18](#) shall impose a duty in relation to an offshore installation while there are no persons aboard.

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Notes

1. Words inserted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.11\(2\)](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
2. Words substituted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.11\(3\)\(a\)](#) (July 19, 2015: substitution has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
3. Word substituted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.11\(3\)\(b\)](#) (July 19, 2015: substitution has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
4. Added by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.11\(4\)](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)

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[5.— Notification concerning offshore installations

(1) The duty holder shall, before the date on which an offshore installation is due to enter or leave relevant waters, notify the Executive in writing of the date of its intended entry into or departure from such waters.

(2) Where there is a change of duty holder in relation to an offshore installation, the new duty holder shall ensure that it is not operated until the Executive has been notified in writing of—

(a) the date of such change;

(b) the name and address of the new duty holder; and

(c) where the address furnished pursuant to sub-paragraph (b) is outside Great Britain, an address in Great Britain to which communications to him may be sent.

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5.— Notification concerning offshore installations

(1) The duty holder shall, no later than the date on which an offshore installation is

due to enter or leave relevant waters, notify the Executive in writing of the date of its intended entry into or departure from such waters.

(2) Where there is a change of duty holder in relation to an offshore installation, the new duty holder shall ensure that it is not operated until the Executive has been notified in writing of—

(a) the date of such change;

(b) the name and address of the new duty holder; and

(c) where the address furnished pursuant to sub-paragraph (b) is outside Great Britain, an address in Great Britain to which communications to him may be sent.

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- 1 . Words substituted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\)](#) [para.12](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)

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6.— Managers

(1) The duty holder shall ensure that—

(a) the offshore installation is at all times under the charge of a competent person appointed by him to manage on his behalf the installation and the persons on it; and a reference to the installation manager is a reference to such person while he is in charge;

(b) the installation manager is provided with appropriate resources to be able to carry out effectively his function, and the duties he may have to discharge under [regulation 8](#); and

(c) the identity of the installation manager is known to or readily ascertainable by every person on the installation.

(2) For the purpose of paragraph (1)(a), a person is not in charge of an offshore installation when he is not on it unless he remains in communication with it and, in a case where it might be necessary to exercise his functions, is able to reach it promptly.

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7.— Restraint and putting ashore

(1) If an installation manager has reasonable cause to believe that it is necessary or expedient to do so for the purpose of securing the safety of the offshore installation or the safety or health of persons on or near it, he may take such measures against a person on the installation, including—

(a) restraint of his person; and

(b) putting him ashore in the United Kingdom as soon as is practicable thereafter,

as are reasonable.

(2) If it appears likely that a person will not be put ashore within twenty-four hours of being put under restraint, the installation manager shall forthwith give notice to the duty holder of his being kept under restraint and of the reason for it.

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8.— Co-operation

(1) Every person shall co-operate—

(a) with the installation manager, and any other person on whom any duty is placed by [regulations 5 to 19](#), so far as is necessary to enable him to comply with the relevant statutory provisions, including this regulation;

(b) with the installation manager, so far as is necessary to enable him to discharge his functions described in [regulations 6 and 7](#); and

(c) with the helicopter landing officer, so far as is necessary to enable him to perform his function referred to in [regulation 13](#).

(2) In addition to the duty placed on him by paragraph (1), an installation manager shall co-operate with the manager of another offshore installation, where an activity carried out from, by means of, or on one of the installations could affect the health and safety of persons on the other installation or of persons engaged in an activity in connection with the other installation.

(3) The duty in paragraph (1) is without prejudice to any duty owed by a master, captain or person in charge of any vessel or aircraft.

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9.— Records

(1) The duty holder shall ensure that there is kept on the offshore installation or at a suitable place nearby a record of the persons who are for the time being on, or working from the installation, and containing, in relation to each such person—

(a) his full name; and

(b) the name and address of his employer, if any,

and in this regulation such a record is referred to as "*the offshore record*".

(2) The duty holder shall ensure that, as soon as possible after an entry is made in the offshore record, a like entry is made together with the following additional information—

(a) the nationality of the person working on or from the installation;

(b) his date of birth;

(c) his usual residence; and

(d) the name, address and relationship of any next of kin of his,

in another record, in this regulation referred to as "*the onshore record*".

(3) The duty holder shall ensure that an entry in the onshore record relating to any person is thereafter kept readily available at an address in Great Britain until 28 days after he ceases to be on or to work from the installation.

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10. Permits to work

In cases where, because of—

(a) the kind of work which may be done on the offshore installation; or

(b) the circumstances in which work may be done on the offshore installation,

it is necessary for the health or safety of persons to do so, the duty holder shall introduce arrangements for securing that, in such a case, a person does not do such work save in accordance with the terms of a permit in writing, given by a competent person authorised by or on behalf of the duty holder.

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11. Instructions

The duty holder shall ensure that, where necessary for the health and safety of persons—

(a) comprehensible instructions on procedures to be observed on the offshore installation are put in writing; and

(b) the relevant part of such instructions is brought to the attention of every person who is to do anything to which that part relates.

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12. Communication

The duty holder shall ensure that arrangements, which are appropriate for health and safety purposes, are in place for effective communication—

(a) between the offshore installation and the shore, vessels, aircraft and other installations; and

(b) where a helicopter is to land on or take off from an offshore installation aboard which there will be no persons immediately before the landing, or after the take-off, between the helicopter and—

(i) a suitable offshore installation with persons on board; or

(ii) where there is no such installation, suitable premises ashore.

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13. Helicopters

The duty holder shall ensure that—

(a) a competent person appointed to be in control of helideck operations on the offshore installation (in these Regulations referred to as "*the helicopter landing officer*") is present on the installation;

(b) such person is in control throughout such operations; and

(c) such procedures are established, and plant provided, as will secure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that helideck operations, including the landing and take-off of helicopters, are without risks to health and safety.

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14. Operational information

The duty holder shall make arrangements for the collection and keeping of—

(a) such meteorological and oceanographic information; and

(b) such information relating to the motions of the offshore installation,

as is necessary for securing, so far as is reasonably practicable, the safe operation of the installation and the safety of persons on or near it.

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15.— Information to persons

(1) The duty holder shall ensure that the address and telephone number of the office of the Executive for the sector in which the offshore installation is situated is known to or readily ascertainable by every person on the installation.

(2) The employer of a person who is not on an offshore installation, and who is engaged in—

(a) an activity in connection with an offshore installation;

(b) an activity in connection with a well;

(c) pipeline works; or

(d) any of the following activities in connection with pipeline works—

(i) the loading, unloading, fuelling or provisioning of a vessel;

(ii) the loading, unloading, fuelling, repair and maintenance of an aircraft on a vessel,

being in either case a vessel which is engaged in pipeline works,

shall ensure that the address and telephone number of the office of the Executive for the sector in which the installation or well is situated, or the pipeline works, or activity described in sub-paragraph (d) above, is or are carried out, is known to or readily ascertainable by such person.

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16.— Health surveillance

(1) An employer of a person engaged in work on an offshore installation shall ensure that he is provided with such health surveillance as is appropriate to the health and safety risks incurred in the work; and, where that person is assigned to the work after the coming into force of these Regulations (apart from [regulation 23\(2\)](#)), the health surveillance shall be commenced before he is so assigned.

(2) In this regulation "*appropriate*" means appropriate having regard to the nature and magnitude of the risks to the safety and health of the employee created by the relevant work.

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17. Drinking water

The duty holder shall ensure that—

(a) an adequate supply of clean, wholesome drinking water is available at suitable locations on the offshore installation; and

(b) such locations are clearly marked to show that drinking water is there.

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18. Provisions

The duty holder shall ensure that all provisions for consumption by persons on the offshore installation are fit for human consumption, palatable and of good quality.

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19. Identification of the offshore installation

Save where the nature of the structure makes it impracticable to do so, the duty holder shall ensure that the offshore installation—

(a) displays its name or other designation in such a manner as to make the installation readily identifiable on approach by sea or air; and

(b) displays no name, letters or figures likely to be confused with the name or other designation of another offshore installation.

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England, Scotland and Wales

[20.— Certificates of exemption

(1) Subject to paragraph (2) and to any of the provisions imposed by the European Union in respect of the encouragement of improvements in the safety and health of workers at work, and in particular, of Directive 2013/30/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 June 2013 on safety of offshore oil and gas operations and amending Directive 2004/35/EC, the Executive may, by a certificate in writing, exempt any person, offshore installation or class of persons or offshore installations from any requirement or prohibition imposed by these Regulations and any such exemption may be granted subject to conditions and with or without limit of time and may be revoked by a certificate in writing at any time.

(2) The Executive shall not grant any such exemption unless, having regard to the circumstances of the case and, in particular, to—

(a) the conditions, if any, which it proposes to attach to the exemption; and

(b) any other requirements imposed by or under any enactments which apply to the case,

it is satisfied that the health and safety of persons who are likely to be affected by the exemption will not be prejudiced in consequence of it.

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20.— Certificates of exemption

(1) Subject to paragraph (2) and to any of the provisions imposed by [the European Union] ¹ in respect of the encouragement of improvements in the safety and health of workers at work, the Executive may, by a certificate in writing, exempt any person, offshore installation or class of persons or offshore installations from any requirement or prohibition imposed by these Regulations and any such exemption may be granted subject to conditions and with or without limit of time and may be revoked by a certificate in writing at any time.

(2) The Executive shall not grant any such exemption unless, having regard to the circumstances of the case and, in particular, to—

(a) the conditions, if any, which it proposes to attach to the exemption; and

(b) any other requirements imposed by or under any enactments which apply to the case,

it is satisfied that the health and safety of persons who are likely to be affected by the exemption will not be prejudiced in consequence of it.

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Notes

1 . Words substituted by Treaty of Lisbon (Changes in Terminology) Order 2011/1043 [Pt 2 art.4\(1\)](#) (April 22, 2011)

2 . Words inserted by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.13](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)

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21.— Application of the Employers' Liability (Compulsory Insurance) Act 1969

(1) The 1969 Act shall apply to employers of relevant employees employed for work on or from offshore installations, or on or from associated structures in the course of activities undertaken on or in connection with such installations, subject to such modifications and extensions as are hereafter in this regulation prescribed.

(2) In [section 1](#) of the 1969 Act applied as aforesaid—

(a) in [subsection \(1\)](#) the words “carrying on any business in Great Britain” shall be omitted and, for the words from “his employees” to the end of the subsection, there shall be substituted the words “those of his relevant employees who are employed by him for work on or from an offshore installation, or on or from an associated structure in the course of an activity undertaken on or in connection with an offshore installation, and arising out of and in the course of their employment for that work”; and

(b) at the end of [paragraph \(d\) of subsection \(3\)](#) there shall be added the following paragraph—

“(e) any expression to which a meaning is given by the Offshore Installations and Pipeline Works (Management and Administration) Regulations 1995, and to which a meaning is not given by this Act, shall have the same meaning in this Act.”

(3) [Section 2\(2\)\(b\)](#) of the 1969 Act applied as aforesaid shall have no effect.

(4) In [section 4\(2\)\(a\)](#) of the 1969 Act applied as aforesaid, after the word “insurance” there shall be inserted the words “or make arrangements to secure the maintenance of such copies on offshore installations or associated structures”.

(5) After [section 5](#) of the 1969 Act applied as aforesaid there shall be inserted the following sections—

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England, Scotland and Wales

[21A.— Obligation to notify death or loss of person

(1) Where any person—

(a) dies on an offshore installation or is lost from such an installation; or

(b) dies in or on a lifeboat, liferaft or other emergency survival craft belonging to an offshore installation or is lost from any of those places; or

(c) otherwise dies or is lost in the neighbourhood of an offshore installation while engaged in any operation connected with the installation,

and the death or loss is not required to be registered under any regulations made under [section 108](#) of the [Merchant Shipping Act 1995](#) (which relates to returns of births and deaths in ships), a return of death in the form set out in [Schedule 3](#) must be made in accordance with [regulation 21B](#).

(2) In this regulation and [regulations 21B and 21C](#) 'lost' means lost in circumstances such that it is reasonable to believe that the person has died and 'loss' is to be construed accordingly.

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Notes

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[21B.— Notification of death or loss to the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen

(1) Where an obligation to make a return of death arises under [regulation 21A](#), the manager of the relevant offshore installation must—

(a) complete and sign Part 1 of a form of return of death (see [Schedule 3](#)); and

(b) despatch the form to the duty holder as soon as is practicable and in any event within ten days of becoming aware of the death or loss to which the return relates.

(2) Where a duty holder receives a form of return of death from a manager, the duty holder must within ten days of receipt complete Part 2 of the form and send the form duly signed (whether by or on behalf of the duty holder) to the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen ².

(3) Without prejudice to the preceding provisions of this regulation or to [regulation 21E](#), a return of death which is not made within the periods specified in this regulation for making it is not invalid by reason only that it is not made within those periods.

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Notes

- ¹. Added by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.14](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- ². The Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen is the officer so known who continues in existence under [section 295\(1\)](#) of the [Merchant Shipping Act 1995](#).

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[21C.— Notification of death or loss to other persons

When a person dies or is lost in circumstances in which an obligation to make a return of death arises under [regulation 21A](#), the duty holder of the relevant installation must as soon as is practicable and in any event within 48 hours of first becoming aware of the death or loss—

(a) if the duty holder was the employer of the dead or lost person, notify any person known to the duty holder to be, or nominated to the duty holder as, the next-of-kin of the dead or lost person; or

(b) if the duty holder was not the employer of the dead or lost person, notify any person known to the duty holder to have been the employer of the dead or lost person at the time of death or loss.

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Notes

- [1.](#) Added by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.14](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)

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[21D.— Registration of death or loss

(1) When the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen receives a return made pursuant to [regulation 21B](#), the Registrar must send a copy of that return, certified as being a true copy of that return (whether by the Registrar or a person authorised by the Registrar)—

(a) where the deceased was immediately before death ordinarily resident in Scotland or Northern Ireland, to the Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages for Scotland or the Registrar General for Northern Ireland, as the case may be; and

(b) in any other case, to the Registrar General for England and Wales.

(2) If the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen is satisfied that there is an error or omission in any return received pursuant to [regulation 21B](#), the Registrar may, in accordance with evidence of the true state of affairs relating to the return, send corrected or supplementary particulars in respect of that evidence to the appropriate Registrar General.

(3) A Registrar General who receives a certified copy under paragraph (1) must record the information contained in it in the marine register kept by that Registrar General, together with such additional information as appears to that Registrar General desirable for the purpose of ensuring the completeness and correctness of that register.

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Notes

- [1](#) . Added by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.14](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)

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[21E.— Mode of trial and penalties in relation to registration of death or loss

(1) In relation to an offence consisting of a contravention of the requirement imposed by [regulation 21B\(1\)](#)—

(a) proceedings on indictment are excluded; and

(b) the punishment which can be imposed is restricted to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

(2) In relation to an offence consisting of a contravention of a requirement imposed by [regulation 21B\(2\)](#) or [21C](#)—

(a) proceedings on indictment are excluded; and

(b) the punishment which can be imposed is restricted to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

(3) It is a defence in any proceedings for an offence consisting of a contravention of a requirement imposed by [regulation 21B\(1\) or \(2\)](#) or [21C](#) for the person charged to prove—

(a) that the person exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of the offence; and

(b) that the relevant contravention was committed without the person's consent, connivance or wilful default.

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1. Added by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.14](#)
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Annotation

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[21F.— Power of inspectors of offshore installations; duty to provide accommodation and subsistence for inspectors

(1) An inspector may exercise the powers in paragraph (2) for the purpose of carrying into effect the relevant statutory provisions within the field of responsibility of the enforcing authority that appointed the inspector.

(2) The powers are—

(a) to require a duty holder, at any reasonable time, to convey to and from an offshore installation or vessel associated with offshore oil and gas operations—

(i) the inspector;

(ii) the equipment or materials of the inspector; and

(iii) any article or substance of which the inspector has taken possession pursuant to [section 20](#) of the [Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974](#);

(b) to inspect any operation or work in or on the bed of relevant waters and subsoil under or near an offshore installation; and

(c) to require the duty holder or manager of an offshore installation or the licensee concerned to assist the inspector in carrying out an inspection of the bed of relevant waters or subsoil under or near the offshore installation.

(3) The duty holder must provide an inspector with reasonable accommodation and means of subsistence while on an offshore installation for the purpose stated in paragraph (1).

(4) In paragraphs (2)(a)(i) and (ii), and (3) a reference to an inspector includes a reference to a person acting under the direction of the competent authority who is not an inspector.

(5) In relation to an offence consisting of a contravention of the requirement under

paragraph (3)—

(a) proceedings on indictment are excluded; and

(b) the punishment which can be imposed is restricted to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

(6) In paragraph (2)(a) "*offshore oil and gas operations*" means all activities associated with an installation relating to exploration and production of petroleum, including the design, planning, construction, operation and decommissioning of the installation, but excluding the conveyance of petroleum from one coast to another.

(7) This regulation applies—

(a) in Great Britain;

(b) to the territorial sea adjacent to Great Britain up to the seaward limits of the territorial sea and to the waters in any area designated by order under [section 1\(7\)](#) of the [Continental Shelf Act 1964](#); and

(c) to places above and below the territorial sea and waters in any area so designated.

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[21G.— Powers of inspectors in relation to pipelines

(1) Subject to paragraph (3), an inspector may exercise the powers in paragraph (2) for the purpose of—

(a) securing the safety, health and welfare of persons engaged on pipeline works; and

(b) securing the proper construction and safe operation of pipelines and preventing damage to them.

(2) The powers are—

(a) to require the owner of a pipeline or the proposed owner of a proposed pipeline, at any reasonable time, to convey to and from premises in relevant waters used or intended to be used in connection with the pipeline or with pipeline works relating to a pipeline or proposed pipeline—

(i) the inspector;

(ii) the equipment and materials of the inspector; and

(iii) any article or substance of which the inspector has taken possession pursuant to [section 20](#) of the [Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974](#);

(b) to require the owner of a pipeline or the proposed owner of a proposed pipeline to provide the inspector with reasonable accommodation and means of subsistence while on, or in transit to or from, premises in relevant waters used or intended to be used in connection with the pipeline or pipeline works relating to the pipeline or proposed pipeline.

(3) Nothing in this regulation imposes, or confers power on an inspector to impose, any obligation on any person on a vessel registered outside the United Kingdom as a ship, aircraft or hovercraft when it is not engaged in operations for the purpose of laying or maintaining a pipeline.

(4) In any proceedings for an offence consisting of a contravention of a requirement imposed under this regulation, it is a defence for the person charged to prove that the person took all reasonable precautions and exercised all due diligence to avoid the commission of the offence.

(5) In relation to an offence consisting of a contravention of a requirement imposed under paragraph (2) by an inspector—

(a) proceedings on indictment are excluded; and

(b) the punishment which can be imposed is restricted to a fine not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.

(6) In this regulation—

“owner”, in relation to a pipeline, means—

(a) the person for the time being designated as the owner of the pipeline by an order made under [section 27\(1\)](#) of the [Petroleum Act 1998](#); or

(b) where no person has been so designated, the person by whom the pipeline is, or is to be, used;

“pipeline” and *“pipeline works”* have the meanings given in [section 1\(4\)](#) of the [Offshore Safety Act 1992](#); and

“proposed owner”, in relation to a proposed pipeline, means—

(a) the person for the time being designated as the proposed owner of the proposed pipeline by an order made under [section 27\(1\)](#) of the [Petroleum Act 1998](#); or

(b) where no person has been so designated, the person for whom the pipeline is to be constructed.

(7) This regulation applies—

(a) in Great Britain;

(b) to the territorial sea adjacent to Great Britain up to the seaward limits of the territorial sea and to the waters in any area designated by order under [section 1\(7\)](#) of the [Continental Shelf Act 1964](#); and

(c) to places above and below the territorial sea and waters in any area so designated.

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Notes

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[21H. Safety Zones

The prohibition under [section 23\(1\)](#) of the [Petroleum Act 1987](#) on a vessel entering or remaining in a safety zone established around an installation by virtue of that Act ² does not apply to a vessel entering or remaining in the safety zone—

- (a) in connection with the laying, inspection, testing, repair, maintenance, alteration, renewal or removal of any submarine cable or pipe-line in or near that safety zone;
- (b) to provide services for, to transport persons or goods to or from, or under the authority of a government department to inspect, any installation in that safety zone;
- (c) if it is a vessel belonging to a general lighthouse authority (within the meaning given in [section 193](#) of the [Merchant Shipping Act 1995](#)) performing duties relating to the safety of navigation ³;
- (d) in connection with the saving or attempted saving of life or property;
- (e) owing to stress of weather;
- (f) when in distress; or
- (g) if there is consent from the duty holder.

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- 1 . Added by Offshore Installations (Offshore Safety Directive) (Safety Case etc.) Regulations 2015/398 [Sch.13\(1\) para.14](#) (July 19, 2015: insertion has effect subject to transitional provisions and savings specified in SI 2015/398 Sch.14)
- 2 . See [sections 21 and 22](#) of the [Petroleum Act 1987 \(c. 12\)](#).
- 3 . See [section 193](#) of the [Merchant Shipping Act 1995](#) for definition of general lighthouse authority for the purposes of [Part 8](#) of that Act.

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22.— Repeals and modifications of the 1971 Act

(1) The provisions of the 1971 Act specified in [column 1 of Part I of Schedule 1](#) are repealed to the extent specified in the corresponding entry in column 3 of that Part.

(2) [Section 12\(1\)](#) of the 1971 Act shall have effect subject to the modifications specified in [Part II of Schedule 1](#).

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23.— Revocation and modification of instruments

(1) The instruments specified in [column 1 of Part I of Schedule 2](#) shall be revoked to the extent specified in column 3 of that Part.

(2) [Regulation 29](#) of the [Offshore Installations \(Operational Safety, Health and Welfare\) Regulations 1976](#) shall be revoked.

(3) The instruments specified in [Part II of Schedule 2](#) shall have effect subject to the modifications specified in that Part.

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