
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Offshore Marine Conservation
(Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 2007

PART 6

ENFORCEMENT AND SUPPLEMENTARY
PROVISION RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENCES

Enforcement

Powers relating to specimens

56.—(1) A wildlife officer may, for the purpose of ascertaining whether an offence has been or is being committed under these Regulations, require any person on board the ship or offshore marine installation, or at the premises, who has a specimen in his possession or control to make it available for inspection by him.

(2) A wildlife officer may, subject to paragraph (3), take a sample from any specimen he finds on the ship or offshore marine installation or at the premises or which is made available to him under paragraph (1).

(3) No sample may be taken under paragraph (2) from a live bird, other animal or plant except for the purpose of establishing its identity or ancestry.

(4) A wildlife officer may take and remove from the ship, offshore marine installation or premises any specimen which is not a live bird, other animal or plant, if there are reasonable grounds for believing it is evidence of an offence under these Regulations.

(5) In this regulation—

“sample” means a sample of blood, tissue or other biological material; and

“specimen” means—

(a) any bird, other animal or plant; or

(b) any part of, or anything derived from, a bird, other animal or plant.