
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force certain provisions of the Regulatory Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (“the 2014 Act”).

Article 2(1) of the Order brings into force section 54 of the 2014 Act on 26th February 2015. Section 54 of the 2014 Act amends the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 (“the 2010 Act”) by amending section 38 and inserting new sections 63A and 63B. Transitional provision is made by article 3 of this Order to provide that the newly inserted provisions of the 2010 Act do not apply in relation to marine licensing decisions made under sections 28 and 29 of the 2010 Act that are made before 26th February 2015 and which concern electricity generating station applications.

Article 2(2) of the Order brings into force paragraph 6 of schedule 3 to the 2014 Act on 1st October 2015 and, only in so far as necessary for the purpose of commencing that paragraph, section 57 of that Act. Paragraph 6 of schedule 3 amends section 136A of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995 (c.21) (“the 1995 Act”) (discharges etc. authorised under other enactments). Section 136A of the 1995 Act was added by paragraph 13 of Schedule 2 to the Pollution Prevention and Control Act 1999 (c.24).

The 2014 Act received Royal Assent on 19th February 2014 and sections 58 (subordinate legislation), 59 (ancillary provision), 60 (Crown application), 61 (commencement) and 62 (short title) came into force the day after Royal Assent.