



Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963

1963 CHAPTER 41

Health, Safety and Welfare of Employees (General Provisions)

[^{F1}13 **Sitting facilities.**

- (1) Where persons who are employed to work in office, shop or railway premises have, in the course of their work, reasonable opportunities for sitting without detriment to it, there shall be provided for their use, at suitable places conveniently accessible to them, suitable facilities for sitting sufficient to enable them to take advantage of those opportunities.
- (2) Where persons are employed to work in a room which comprises, or is comprised in or constitutes, shop premises, being a room whereto customers are invited to resort, and have in the course of their work, reasonable opportunities for sitting without detriment to it, facilities provided for their use in pursuance of subsection (1) of this section shall be deemed not to be sufficient if the number of seats provided and the number of the persons employed are in less ratio than 1 to 3.
- (3) It shall be the duty of the employer of persons for whose use facilities are provided in pursuance of the foregoing provisions of this section to permit them to use them whenever the use thereof does not interfere with their work, and if he fails so to do he shall be guilty of an offence.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 4-16 repealed (1.1.1993 with respect to certain premises and 1.1.1996 with respect to certain further premises) by S.I. 1992/3004, regs. 1(2)(3), 2, 3, 27(1), **Sch. 2 Pt.I** (with saving in reg. 27(2)).

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 13 extended by Radiological Protection Act 1970 (c. 46), s. 2(6)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963, Section 13.