



Mineral Workings (Offshore Installations) Act 1971

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12 Interpretation

- (1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—
- " concession owner " means the person having the right to exploit or explore the mineral resources in connection with which the offshore installation is, or has been, or is to be used,
 - " designated area " has the same meaning as in the Continental Shelf Act 1964,
 - " installation manager " has the meaning given by section 4(8) of this Act,
 - " offence under this Act " includes an offence under regulations made under this Act,
 - " offshore installation " has the meaning given by section 1(3) of this Act, but subject to subsections (2) and (3) below,
 - " owner ", in relation to an offshore installation, means the person who has registered the installation pursuant to regulations under section 2 of this Act or, if there is no such person, the person for the time being having the management of the installation, or of its main structure,
 - " prescribed " means prescribed by regulations under this Act,
 - " underwater exploitation " and " underwater exploration " have the meaning given by section 1(3) of this Act.
- (2) References in this Act to an offshore installation include references to any part of an offshore installation capable of being manned by one or more persons, but regulations under this Act may provide that any provision of this Act shall not apply to such a part of an installation, or shall apply subject to such modifications or exceptions as may be prescribed by the regulations.
- (3) References in this Act to an offshore installation do not include an installation which at the relevant time consists exclusively of a pipe-line, whether or not any part of it previously formed part of an offshore installation.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (4) It is hereby declared that, notwithstanding that this Act may affect individuals or bodies corporate outside the United Kingdom, it applies to any individual whether or not he is a British subject, and to any body corporate whether or not incorporated under the law of any part of the United Kingdom.
- (5) Any reference in this Act to a contravention of a provision of this Act or of regulations made under this Act includes a reference to a failure to comply with such a provision.
- (6) Any reference in this Act to any enactment or Act of Parliament includes a reference to an enactment or Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.
- (7) Except where the context otherwise requires, any reference in this Act to any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended, extended or applied by or under any other enactment.