

Deep Sea Mining (Temporary Provisions) Act 1981

1981 CHAPTER 53

15 Civil liability for breach of statutory duty

- (1) Breach of a duty imposed on any person by a provision of regulations made in pursuance of section 12 above which state that this subsection applies to such a breach shall be actionable so far, and only so far, as the breach causes personal injury; and references in section 1 of the Fatal Accidents Act 1976 and in Article 3(1) of the Fatal Accidents (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 to a wrongful act, neglect or default shall include references to any such breach which is so actionable.
- (2) Nothing in subsection (1) above shall prejudice any action which lies apart from the provisions of that subsection.
- (3) A defence to a charge which is available by virtue of section 14(5) above or by virtue of regulations made under this Act shall not be a defence in any civil proceedings, whether brought in pursuance of this section or otherwise.
- (4) In subsection (1) above, " personal injury " includes any disease, any impairment of a person's physical or mental condition and any fatal injury.