

Merchant Shipping Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 5

PART I

IMPROVEMENT NOTICES AND PROHIBITION NOTICES

Service of notices by inspectors

1 Improvement notices

(1) If an inspector is of the opinion that a person—

- (a) is contravening one or more of the relevant statutory provisions, or
- (b) has contravened one or more of those provisions in circumstances that make it likely that the contravention will continue or be repeated,

he may serve on that person a notice under this section, referred to in this Part of this Act as an improvement notice.

(2) An improvement notice shall—

- (a) state that the inspector is of the said opinion, specify the relevant statutory provision or provisions as to which he is of that opinion, and give particulars of the reasons why he is of that opinion, and.
- (b) require the person on whom the notice is served to remedy the contravention in question or (as the case may be) the matters occasioning it within such period as may be specified in the notice.
- (3) The period specified in pursuance of subsection (2) (b) above shall not expire before the end of the period within which a notice can be given under section 4 below requiring questions relating to the improvement notice to be referred to arbitration.