



Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009

2009 CHAPTER 23

PART 8

ENFORCEMENT

CHAPTER 1

ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Marine enforcement officers

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- (1) In this Chapter “marine enforcement officer” means—
- any person appointed as such an officer by the MMO;
 - any person appointed as such an officer by the Welsh Ministers;
 - any person who is a commissioned officer of any of Her Majesty's ships;
 - any person in command or charge of any aircraft or hovercraft of the Royal Navy, the Army or the Royal Air Force.
- (2) The carrying out of any functions of a marine enforcement officer by a person appointed under this section by the MMO or the Welsh Ministers (a “civilian marine enforcement officer”) is subject to any limitations specified by the MMO or (as the case may be) the Welsh Ministers in relation to that person.
- (3) Until the coming into force of section 1, any power conferred on the MMO by this section is exercisable by the Secretary of State.

Any reference in this Chapter to a marine enforcement officer includes a reference to any person appointed by the Secretary of State as a marine enforcement officer by virtue of this subsection.

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- s. 72A(2A) inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 232\(2\)\(d\)](#)
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- s. 72A(6)(a) words inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 232\(2\)\(f\)\(ii\)](#)
- s. 72A(6)(b) and word inserted by [2023 c. 55 s. 232\(2\)\(f\)\(iii\)](#)
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