



Harbours, Docks and Piers Clauses Act 1847

1847 CHAPTER 27 10 and 11 Vict

Life-boats

16 Life-boats, &c. to be provided by undertakers.

Unless it be provided by the special Act that the undertakers need not provide life-boats, the undertakers, before they shall be entitled to take any rates in respect of the harbour, dock, or pier, shall provide and always thereafter maintain in good repair an efficient and well-appointed life-boat, a Manby's mortar, and a sufficient supply of Carte's rockets, or such other mortar and rockets as the Admiralty, by writing under the hand of the Secretary of the Admiralty, shall approve of, with all necessary tackle, and competent crew and proper persons for the effectual working thereof, for the assistance and succour of vessels in distress; and the undertakers shall cause such life-boat, mortar, and rockets to be stationed at or upon the most advanced works of the harbour, dock, or pier, or such other place as the Admiralty shall approve of as aforesaid, and to be used on all necessary occasions.

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Functions of Admiralty under s. 16 now exercisable by Secretary of State: [Harbours Transfer Act 1862](#) (c. 69), [s. 5, Ministry of Transport Act 1919](#) (c. 50), [s. 2\(1\)](#), and [S.I. 1970/1681, art. 2\(1\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

Harbours, Docks and Piers Clauses Act 1847, Section 16 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 14 August 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

- Act excluded by [2023 c. 8 s. 11\(8\)](#)