

1968 No. 1454

## FACTORIES

**The Electricity Regulations 1908 (Competent Persons Exemption)  
Order 1968**

*Made - - - - 10th September 1968*

*Coming into Operation 23rd September 1968*

The Secretary of State in pursuance of paragraph 6 of the provisions relating to exemptions in the Regulations(a) dated 23rd December 1908 with respect to the generation, transformation, distribution and use of electrical energy in factories and certain other premises and places (hereinafter referred to as "the Regulations") hereby makes the following Order:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Electricity Regulations 1908 (Competent Persons Exemption) Order 1968 and shall come into operation on 23rd September 1968.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) Unless the context otherwise requires, expressions used in this Order have the same respective meanings as in the Regulations.

2. In the case of a competent person who fulfils the conditions set out in Article 3, exemption is hereby granted from so much of Regulation 28 of the Regulations as requires that a competent person undertaking any repair, alteration, extension, cleaning or such work where technical knowledge or experience is required in order to avoid danger shall be over 21 years of age.

3. The conditions referred to in Article 2 are that such a person—

(a) shall be over 18 years of age; and either

(b) shall have completed a course of training designed to impart such knowledge and experience as aforesaid under an apprenticeship or studentship scheme, being a course of training provided by or on behalf of or approved for the time being by an industrial training board in accordance with the provisions of section 2 of the Industrial Training Act 1964(c) or a course of training approved for the time being by certificate of the Chief Inspector; or

(a) S.R. & O. 1908/1312 (Rev. VII, p. 302: 1908, p. 340).

(b) 1889 c. 63. (c) 1964 c. 16.

(c) shall be in the third or any subsequent year of such a course of training as aforesaid and be undertaking work of a kind specified in Article 2 as part of this training.

Signed by order of the Secretary of State.  
10th September 1968.

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Department of Employment and Productivity.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order grants exemption, subject to specified conditions, from the requirement contained in Regulation 28 of the Electricity Regulations 1908 that a competent person undertaking in factories and certain other places dangerous work of a kind specified in that Regulation shall be over 21 years of age.