
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Merchant Shipping (Submersible
Craft Operations) Regulations 1987**

Offences

18.—(1) A person who contravenes any provision of these Regulations shall be guilty of an offence.

(2) The punishment for an offence created by these Regulations shall be—

- (a) on summary conviction a fine not exceeding £2,000;
- (b) on conviction on indictment imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or a fine, or both.

(3) In proceedings for an offence under this regulation it shall be a defence for the accused to prove—

- (a) that he exercised all due diligence to prevent commission of the offence; and
- (b) that the offence was committed without his consent, connivance or default.