
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

These Regulations further amend the Merchant Shipping (Fees) Regulations 1991. The amendments—

- (a) clarify the cost to be charged in respect of travel overseas (regulation 4);
- (b) increase the fees charged by British Telecommunications plc by about 9% (regulations 4 and 7);
- (c) update the list of statutory instruments in respect of which fees are charged, under Part I of the Schedule to the principal Regulations (regulation 6);
- (d) increase the fees for tonnage measurement by about 8%, and provide for the charging of the costs of overseas visits in connection with pleasure yachts (regulation 8);
- (e) make changes to the fees charged under Part IV to the principal Regulations, including increasing the fee for certificates of continued proficiency by about 9% (regulation 9);
- (f) increase fees charged for registration and related transactions by up to 8% (regulation 10);
- (g) separate the costs of counter service for the registration of fishing vessels from the normal fee, and increase the fees by varying percentages (regulation 11);
- (h) omit the fees of receivers of wreck (regulation 12).